

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **LISLEVANE**  
County : **CORK**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 27-06-2000

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2000	Mark Awarded 1999
Overall Developmental Approach	50	34	--
The Built Environment	40	24	--
Landscaping	40	24	--
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	15	--
Litter Control	40	30	--
Tidiness	20	16	--
Residential Areas	30	21	--
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	25	--
General Impression	10	8	--
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>--</b>

## **Lislevane, County Cork**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

Welcome to your first entry for the Tidy Towns Competition. Your association of three members has obviously been working very hard and are able to form good co-operation in Lislevane with such positive results. Your plan of activities is impressive and by having such a plan the progress can be mapped out in advance in a practical way.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

The buildings in the village are well maintained. On approaching the village the colours of the buildings form a very attractive pattern on the landscape. The Post Office colour scheme is particularly interesting. Sextons and Wheltons are well presented; the residences too are taking great care to the detail of presentation. Stone walls play a major part of the structure of the village of Lislevane. There are many fine examples which give the village very good character – these range from the loose stone walls with vegetation to the newly made stone walls. The cemetery walls present a different type of wall with block -on which you have nicely trained Virginian creeper. The Millennium stone is a lovely original idea and stands now as a very important landmark in the village and one in which everyone can have a personal interest. The well-chosen seat is also in place. The water and stone feature associated with the millennium stone is attractive as is the wall behind and the ornate gate. The single gate of the cemetery can be added to your list of projects as it is in need of attention. The directional sign at the Millennium stone is attractive using a bilingual style.

### **LANDSCAPING**

Very good tree planting has taken place in a relatively short time. Trees are the backbone of the landscape and you are wise to have put the effort into the planting of the roadside trees. Sycamores are also a good choice and these are both attractive now and will be a lovely legacy for future generations. The Green looks well and perhaps you will consider some specimen planting on this – on a minimum scale. – A tree fern, an oak tree, a tiny cluster of myrtle trees? The container plantings are looking very well for so early (late June). The containers at the Post Office with Bay trees giving a great effect. The grounds of the cemetery are in very good condition. Individual gardens play a very important part of the overall landscape and every homeowner that contributes in this way is helping greatly. The maintenance of hedgerows is very good around the village. One must be careful in such maintenance that too clinical an approach is developed and retention of natural vegetation is respected.

## **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

The position of Lislevane with both nearby seacoast and woodland offers an interesting facility for the development of wildlife projects for the future.

## **LITTER CONTROL**

There is a very high standard of litter control in the village and at adjudication the village was looking really clean.

## **TIDINESS**

With all the efforts of the people of Lislevane and the Lislevane Community Association a really tidy village has been achieved. This is very evident on approaching the village from the Clonakilty side when the first sighting is the carefully positioned trees to either side of the road and high level of maintenance along the verges. The village trees with the carefully positioned begonias, the green, millennium stone and state of houses all affirm the tidiness of Lislevane.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Homes are carefully maintained and as mentioned above the colour scheme is very effective.

## **ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS**

The surfaces of the roads are in good condition and the main difficulty appears to be that of traffic approaching the village at speed. This is very dangerous as the road curves at the millennium stone and can difficult to cross with confidence. Some work on Duck Lane at the stone bank is under way. On the opposite road the transition from concrete block at the end section of the cemetery to the stone wall is abrupt. Maybe a project to resolve this could be possible especially as it is at such a strategic place in the village.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

Lislevane is a very attractive village where considerable effort has achieved a lovely result.