

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **NAUL**  
County : **DUBLIN**  
Category : **B**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 11-07-2000

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2000	Mark Awarded 1999
Overall Developmental Approach	50	20	--
The Built Environment	40	23	--
Landscaping	40	17	--
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	10	--
Litter Control	40	29	--
Tidiness	20	11	--
Residential Areas	30	19	--
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	22	--
General Impression	10	5	--
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>--</b>

## **Naul, County Dublin**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

Thank you for your completed application form and back up materials that were of great assistance on adjudication day. We also welcome your proposed plans for your village and look forward to them being implemented over the coming years.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

The standard of most buildings throughout the Naul were well presented, with some minor exceptions. Some of the residences along the main street could do with brightening up, it might be an idea to run a competition to get everyone involved in this area. A building painted purple in the middle of the village was neglected looking and it was noted that this was up for sale. The church could really do with a facelift, some cleaning/freshening up of the exterior would be very welcome to what is otherwise a beautiful building. The Seamus Ennis Centre looked very well with its thatched roof and will add a lift to the Naul, the work being carried out on the restoration of the pumps was noted and we look forward to their completion, they will add an attractive feature to your locality.

### **LANDSCAPING**

The approach roads into The Naul were tidy looking. Overall the impression in this category was quite good for such a new entrant. It might also be an idea to run a garden competition to include the whole community in your efforts and to establish a sense of pride in the town's presentation.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

Your committee might consider taking on a project to specifically address this area in order to achieve more marks in this section, some areas could also benefit from some additional planting to make it more attractive, i.e. the area beside the water pump adjacent to the Seamus Ennis Centre. It might be an idea to contact Fingal County Council for some assistance in this regard.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

Litter control throughout the Naul was quite exceptional on the day of adjudication. The absence of litter around through the main street and surrounding areas is to be commended. One minor exception was the area to the front of the church, which had some incidental amounts of

litter scattered in the forecourt. The presence of recycling receptacles is to be commended.

## **TIDINESS**

The overall appearance of the Naul is one of tidiness. Weed control, in general is good. However, the removal of weeds at the base of walls, trees and kerbsides would create a neater appearance. Most notably the entrance to Bun-a-Knock was quite overgrown.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

The local community is to be commended on the very high standard of presentation of residential areas, the standard of private gardens are very high throughout, in particular in the Bun-a-Knock estate and the estate opposite. Some of the gardens of residences outside of the village also had some exceptionally presented gardens, i.e. the Half-Acre B& B.

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

It might also be an idea to have some planting along the approach road areas into The Naul to make it a little more welcoming. The area surrounding the church was very well presented and the stone walls adjacent to the church add a very nice touch. Overall, the impression was good in this area.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

The efforts of your committee and the work implemented are to be commended. We understand that you are a new entrant to the competition and would urge you to get all of the community involved in your efforts. You could introduce some innovative measures to raise some funds for your work, i.e. a dance, a lotto or have some postcards or Christmas cards designed and the funding from this could finance your work. We welcome your work programme and look forward to seeing its results in the coming years.