

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **KILTYCLOGHER**
County : **LEITRIM**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 26-06-2000

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2000	Mark Awarded 1999
Overall Developmental Approach	50	32	31
The Built Environment	40	25	25
Landscaping	40	25	24
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	13	13
Litter Control	40	31	30
Tidiness	20	11	8
Residential Areas	30	22	21
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	20	22
General Impression	10	6	6
TOTAL MARK	300	185	180

Kiltyclogher, County Leitrim

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Whilst improvements have taken place in Kiltyclogher over the past year and your plans in conjunction with Leitrim County Council are sensible and achievable the rate of progress is slow. Remarks by last year's adjudicator regarding the Committee still holds true. It is clear that community spirit is lacking throughout the village and unless the Committee receives help from the residents of Kiltyclogher progress is going to be at a snail's pace. Leitrim County Council and FAS cannot do all the work unless the community are one hundred percent behind them. Similarly the Tidy Towns Committee cannot do all that is necessary without everyone's help. So it is over to you Kiltyclogher. Thanks are due to the Committee for completing the questionnaire and the excellent map.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

As last year the Courthouse is extremely well presented. The R.C. Church as last year needs its railings painted and there is lots of building material and a rusty trailer at one corner of the grounds. The graveyard is reasonably presented but the grass needs cutting. The Church of Ireland looks well, the Garda Station also but the railings still need painting. Glenview has a nice appearance marred somewhat by shop materials on the street at the Post Office. Meehan's has a bright and cheerful appearance. Leitrim Lakes Hostel looks well - nice shrubbery. Dereliction is still a problem although Leitrim County Council are endeavouring to help in this regard.

LANDSCAPING

The overall attention given to the grass verges on the Manorhamilton approach left a lot to be desired. The grass here had not been cut for some time. Adjudicator noticed that grass cutting was commenced whilst writing this report. Window boxes on many of the houses and business premises were well presented and the trees still present a magnificent backdrop to the Main Street. Nice treeplanting was noted on the left hand side of the Manorhamilton approach.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

It is hoped with the development at the river some plans can be thought out to provide a wildlife habitat in this area. As suggested last year signposted walks could also be considered.

LITTER CONTROL

There are numerous litter bins dotted throughout the town - some could do with painting. However, on adjudication day there was no litter to be seen in Kiltyclogher. Well done!

TIDINESS

Improvements have certainly taken place under this heading. The Tennis Court area and its surrounds including the bottle bank are a credit to all concerned. The grassed area needs to be well maintained. The Black Pig's sculpture will be lovely when finished. The two nice new houses here are well presented. There are some lovely stone walls being constructed and when completed they will be a great addition to the Tidy Towns efforts. Dereliction and open spaces are still a problem. Remarks are noted in your plan regarding dereliction.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Many of the houses both in Kiltyclogher and on the approaches are extremely well presented. Nice flower boxes and brightly painted houses are the order of the day. On the Blacklion Road many of the gardens are a credit to their owners, lovely floral displays and well kept lawns. Remarks regarding the cluster of lovely small houses still apply opposite the dereliction on the North approach. Overall a very pleasant and peaceful environment.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

All of the approach roads need attention. Most of the verges were overgrown. The approach to any town in the Tidy Towns Competition is most important and under this heading Kiltyclogher has some work to do. The wooden *Fáilte Go Coillte Cloghair* signs are most attractive. Empty open spaces particularly on the Manorhamilton Road are in need of attention. Grass growing on the footpaths is another problem as is flyposting. Bunting should be removed when a festival/event is finished. Nice paving beside R.C. Church.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

A lovely village with great potential in the National Tidy Towns Competition. Hopefully the residents of Kiltyclogher will in future support the efforts of the Tidy Towns Committee.