

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **TEMPLEGLANTINE**
County : **LIMERICK**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 05-07-2000

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2000	Mark Awarded 1999
Overall Developmental Approach	50	37	37
The Built Environment	40	32	32
Landscaping	40	34	33
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	20	20
Litter Control	40	33	31
Tidiness	20	15	15
Residential Areas	30	23	23
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	32	31
General Impression	10	7	7
TOTAL MARK	300	233	229

Templeglantine, County Limerick

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Thank you for your submission and excellent village map. The village looked extremely well on adjudication day. You have done well in maintaining your standards and much of previous year's work is now giving great benefit to the environment. As mentioned previously, the traffic is fluent and fast, in both directions. However, the road structure is good and well maintained.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

It is to your credit that you have continuously kept your public buildings to such a high standard. The hotel sets the scene with magnificent landscaping. The area opposite enhances the hotel and projects a very favourable image. The church, school and Halla Inse Bán again excel and complement the natural environment. The dumping at the rear of Halla Inse Bán has ceased apart from a load of stones. The food store and petrol station is well presented and signage is well maintained.

LANDSCAPING

It was good to observe extra tree planting on the Limerick approach. You should concentrate on the popular broad leaves – some of the oak trees planted a few years ago are now well established and giving great value to this approach road. Your challenge now is to maintain the flower and shrubbery display in evidence throughout the village. The Fáilte signs on stone need to be freshly painted – as mentioned last year.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

You should seek out a small open area that would be suitable for the promotion of wildlife. Try and get the children involved and liaise with the school authorities re. same.

LITTER CONTROL

The village was virtually litter free on adjudication day. This includes the shop area and the hotel forecourt. So well done on increasing your marks in this section.

TIDINESS

In general, the village looked quite tidy on adjudication day. Your few problems here relate to the unoccupied house opposite the hotel and a small amount of untidiness at the

rear of the hall.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

There is no improvement on the road condition to Maple Grove. However, the Grove itself has improved and there are signs of some good individual effort here. Ideally, you should try and link this small housing estate more closely with the village core.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The black spot previously alluded to opposite the hotel is still a problem for you. You have scored well in this section and the quality and landscaping standard of houses are good. The area opposite Homestead is very untidy and the fencing here should be changed to timber post and rail.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

You have raised your marks again this year. This is most commendable and leaves you in a high league within the competition. Try and make progress with some of the areas pinpointed for improvement. Well done on a very good performance.

SECOND ADJUDICATION (05/08/00)

A derelict cottage on the Newcastlewest approach to the village creates a bad impression for the visitor. Hopefully, your endeavours in this regard will pay off in the not too distant future. Do discourage advertising hoardings as they can give the road a rather cluttered appearance. Landscaping throughout looked well – in particular, the flourish of nasturtiums on the Abbeyfeale Road. In terms of the built environment, the school gable wall should be painted up before next year's competition as should the rear of Halla Inse Bán. A pile of stones and earth in this location hopefully indicate that some work is being carried out. Otherwise, do remember to remove construction materials once work is complete. Maple Grove looked quite neglected – many of the houses sported red algae staining. The estate name sign gives a bad impression at the entrance and should be repainted up before next year's competition. The road, as mentioned by the first adjudicator, is in bad condition and some litter was apparent. Besides these minor outbreaks the village of Templeglantine looked as well cared for as ever on an August second adjudication day.