

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **MOVILLE**
County : **DONEGAL**
Category : **C**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 11-07-2001

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2001	Mark Awarded 2000
Overall Developmental Approach	50	33	31
The Built Environment	40	32	32
Landscaping	40	30	28
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	15	12
Litter Control	40	31	32
Tidiness	20	15	15
Residential Areas	30	21	20
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	25	22
General Impression	10	7	7
TOTAL MARK	300	209	199

Moville, Co. Donegal

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

The approach to Moville from both the Bunrana and Carndonach roads shows its magnificent setting on Lough Foyle at its best with 'peeps' into the town and opening up to panoramic views of mountain, sea and town. Moville is welcome to the 2001 Tidy Towns Competition. Thank you for your submission. Your Three Year Plan is appreciated and we wish you well in its implementation.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Some buildings are excellent in their presentation, e.g. The Corner Bar, The Town Clock Bar and Restaurant, Maguires Lounge Bar, Rawdons and many more. Some buildings need attention to their presentation, the most important of these being the Corner Shop premises at James Street because it is a focal point in the streetscape. Moville has a wonderful architectural heritage which is being complemented by good presentation. Contemporary architecture was also admired. The Credit Union premises looks particularly well.

LANDSCAPING

The recreational greens are excellent in their maintenance and layout. The playground is a great idea. Mature trees in the town centre on the main street and the square are stately. Ensure that younger trees are replaced when vandalised (this was the case with one). The hard surfaced amenity area in the town centre with its specimen tree was admired. Views to the shore down side streets are a pleasant feature of Moville.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The shore walk between Moville and Greencastle was a bit rough, this is a fine amenity and it is good to note from your plan that it will be redeveloped/upgraded and made wheelchair accessible.

LITTER CONTROL

Litter control was good overall. A battered bin was overturned on the recreational green across from the church and birds were picking through it. Some litter was noted at the pier and on the Greencastle entrance. These weak areas are responsible for the slight decrease in marks. Don't be disheartened but do reconsider your strategy.

TIDINESS

The site beside the Town Clock Bar and Restaurant is the most serious problem under this heading. We note with

interest your objectives for this site and look forward to its redevelopment.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The Victorian terrace at the Waterfront was stately in appearance. The terrace on the entrance from the Carndonagh road had been freshly painted and looked well with their flower displays. Your objective to encourage property owners to feature strong bright colours might be extended to residential units and co-ordinated colour scheme.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Car parking is orderly both along the main street and in well maintained car parks. Approach roads are well presented in all respects, not least with their bi-lingual nameplates. Street signs (bi-lingual) were also admired particularly as these were co-ordinated with street furniture. It was a pleasure to note the wirescape free Main Street and Square.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Moville is a beautiful town which enjoys a magnificent setting and wonderful recreational amenity facilities. It deserves its heritage status.