

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **MULLAGHDUBH**
County : **DONEGAL**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 09-07-2001

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2001	Mark Awarded 2000
Overall Developmental Approach	50	35	35
The Built Environment	40	34	34
Landscaping	40	27	27
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	16	16
Litter Control	40	36	36
Tidiness	20	15	15
Residential Areas	30	25	25
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	25	25
General Impression	10	7	7
TOTAL MARK	300	220	220

Mullaghdubh, County Donegal

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Mullaghdubh is welcome to the 2001 Tidy Towns Competition. We do not have a copy of your development plan, is one available? If so, be sure to submit one next year. It is good to note the support you receive from the local community. Your strong sporting tradition and your Fife's Drum Band is indicative of a healthy cultural heritage. The village looked very well against the backdrop of Mount Errigal shrouded in mist.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Teach na Rosann and its adjoining residential property were presented to an excellent standard. Bonners looked very well also. The Hall was reasonably well presented but a property opposite O'Donnells Shop could be upgraded.

LANDSCAPING

Landscaping throughout the village was effective. The planters at the memorial cross for the Ballymanus disaster should either be removed or planted up. They detract from an otherwise good presentation here. Favour permanent plants rather than bedding plants and include some for spring and winter interest also.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The immediate environs of Mullaghdubh offers a variety of habitats to wildlife. It would be a good idea to survey wildlife present to heighten awareness and to formulate protective measures to complement the future development of the village.

LITTER CONTROL

Litter control was excellent during our visit. Do give us details of how you achieve and maintain this standard in next year's submission.

TIDINESS

You are aware of the problem posed by derelict buildings under this heading. Be vigilant also regarding weed growth along kerbs and at the base of walls. Grass verges are being nicely maintained.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Flower displays in private gardens look wonderful. Outcrops of rocks are a stunning feature of gardens also. The thatched cottage holiday homes are charming. Most properties are presented to a high standard. Well done.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The footpath should be extended to run the entire length of the village. Stretches of new stone wall were admired and roads, footpaths and fencing were complementary. The new namestones are a nice touch. Could the water pump opposite O'Donnells Shop be refurbished?

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Congratulations on the maintenance of high standards. Mullaghdubh looked very well during adjudication.