

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **MILLTOWN-GALWAY**  
County : **GALWAY**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 31-07-2001

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2001	Mark Awarded 2000
Overall Developmental Approach	50	42	41
The Built Environment	40	31	30
Landscaping	40	32	32
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	25	25
Litter Control	40	33	32
Tidiness	20	16	15
Residential Areas	30	22	22
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	30	30
General Impression	10	8	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>234</b>

## **Milltown, County Galway**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

Welcome to Tidy Towns 2001, and thank you for your entry form and supporting material. Milltown has a clear development approach and many of your projects are now at an advanced stage of planning or completion. It is obvious that you have a very hardworking committed team and I am delighted to note that some of the younger member are now taking on responsibilities.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

Let me firstly congratulate you for your spirit and commitment in seeing projects through and bring "Herds Thatched Cottage" back to almost completion stage once again. Teach na Shioradain, Mullarkeys, Finns Restaurants and Centra all look very well. However there are a few premises which could do with a freshening up eg. Burkes, area around Pump, GAA Gates, and Gates at Glynn's Hardware

### **LANDSCAPING**

The landscaping at the amenity area and Clare River is lovely, and I note your continued work along the river banks. Your work on beds on the approach roads look well and the beds at the industrial centre too. The Nasturtiums are starting to flower and give great colour.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

I note you have completed a list of wildbirds and native animals, look forward to seeing showcase erected on river bank. The River walk / picnic area are particularly attractive, unfortunately there was no swan in sight on my visit.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

There was very little evidence of litter, and the few bits that were there were being picked up by man with black sack in hand.

### **TIDINESS**

There was a general air of tidiness in the village. The house next to Sheridans Shop need painting and grounds maintained but I note it is for sale so I'm sure new residences should solve that problem. There are a few new houses being built and when landscaped should be lovely however at present some builders materials and rubble remain.

### **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Residential areas were well presented as usual.

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

Your village is located on the very busy N17, and I concur with the previous adjudicator there is nothing pleasant about heavy traffic trunking by at 40 miles per hour. I note your enclosure re bypass and note your allotment off £20,000 for traffic calming.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

Milltown is a busy village on the N17 who through planning, hardwork and commitment has used its natural resources to there best advantages. Well done and keep up the good work.

## **SECOND ADJUDICATION (31/07/01)**

The busy town of Milltown created a very good impression on second adjudication day, as it looked quite neat and ordered. The attractive and colourful display of nasturtiums by the bridge was admired, as indeed was the freshly whitewashed wall adjacent, with its colourful displays over-spilling. The buildings of the town generally looked extremely fresh. There are one or two plastic signs still in evidence which should be replaced with ones of a more traditional timber variety. The planting of trees to the car park at Centra was noted and admired.