

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **WILLIAMSTOWN**
County : **GALWAY**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 08-07-2001

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2001	Mark Awarded 2000
Overall Developmental Approach	50	34	32
The Built Environment	40	28	28
Landscaping	40	28	27
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	18	15
Litter Control	40	30	29
Tidiness	20	15	15
Residential Areas	30	20	17
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	23	23
General Impression	10	7	7
TOTAL MARK	300	203	193

Williamstown, County Galway

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Welcome to Tidy Towns 2001, and thank you for your entry form and additional supporting information. Congratulations on your Green Towns Award win.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

There are a number of beautiful buildings in the village, namely the National School and the Church. The stone wall looks well as does the Health Centre which is freshly painted. I note the plastic sign is gone at Fenneys, a new fence at Spar, and a new car-park at the Sports Complex. Some rubble and builders materials remain at the Car-park but should be lovely when completed. I note the new kerbing on the Dunmore road approach and also adjacent to school on Nuala na Midóige Walk.

LANDSCAPING

The Suil Bheilí park on the Glenamaddy road looks well and congrats again on winning the Green Towns award. The many new trees planted, greatly enhance the whole village. The landscaping at the Church and Presbytery are a credit to all involved. The new shrubs which line the entrance to the Sports Field Complex look well as do the trees and flower beds on the Dunmore approach road.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

You have erected a Wildlife sign listing the birds and animals common to your area. The further development of this area as a natural amenity needs to be considered. The road leading to this area requires surfacing and the car-park area has rubble, plastic and piping which should be removed. Consider putting bird tables at the School and/or the Suil Bheilí Park, get the school involved in these type projects.

LITTER CONTROL

I am pleased to learn of your recycling effort re Christmas Cards and Newspapers. There were plenty of bins in evidence and the Bottle Bank and the Church grounds were litter free. The Supermarkets promotion of the sale of non-plastic shopping bags is commendable – proofing the whole community's support in creating a village which you can be proud of.

TIDINESS

Again a lot of progress has been made in this area, however there are still some areas which need attention particularly where work is in progress - at the Sports Complex, around kerbing, and in the vicinity of the Square.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

There is a great effort being made by most private residences. There are some really beautiful lawns, hanging baskets and flowerbeds on view. A number of the shops and houses have been also been painted.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

There are a few derelict buildings and unkept houses which detract from the overall visual impact of the village. I see the house at the sharp bend next to national school is for sale, so hopefully this problem will be resolved by next years adjudication. Some of the back areas which are along the Nuala na Midóige walk by the school need tidying up.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

You are a committed hard-working team who have achieved much over the past year. Your efforts have not gone unnoticed. Keep up the good work.