

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **BROADFORD-KILDARE**  
County : **KILDARE**  
Category : **B**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 16-07-2001

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2001	Mark Awarded 2000
Overall Developmental Approach	50	31	31
The Built Environment	40	28	27
Landscaping	40	33	31
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17	17
Litter Control	40	33	32
Tidiness	20	13	13
Residential Areas	30	22	22
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	28	28
General Impression	10	7	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>208</b>

## **Broadford, Co. Kildare**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

Broadford is especially welcome to the 2001 Tidy Towns Competition considering the committee was tempted to withdraw for this year due to setbacks caused by the Foot and Mouth disease. We are very glad you did enter and you can rest assured that your presentation was good enough to earn additional marks whilst you maintained standards achieved in previous years.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

Most buildings are being nicely presented. The Hotel and Post Office together with church and school looked very well indeed. Curtilage areas to buildings are just as important as the premises themselves, so keep people aware of this. Be especially careful regarding weed growth along the base of walls. The school walls looked well.

### **LANDSCAPING**

Many green areas with flowerbeds and shrubberies were featured in Broadford. The rosebeds were especially admired. Picnic areas looked well also. The stand of mature Lime trees on the southern entrance to Broadford are stately and look wonderful as their small light backed leaves flutter in a gentle summer breeze. Some stone enclosures for flowerbeds on the latter entrance appear to have sunk, these should be heightened for greater visual impact. The Ballynadrumny cemetery is very attractive. The restoration of the old 'well' is a good idea.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

Mature trees throughout the village are invaluable for wildlife. The stretch of well managed hedgerow from Moyvalley to the village centre is also a wonderful wildlife habitat. Is there sufficient awareness of the species present and possible threats and conservation measures necessary? The Bog Walk sounds exciting.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

An excellent presentation under this heading. Your paper picking evenings appear to be successful. The new bins will make litter control more easy to manage.

### **TIDINESS**

The village and its environs exhibited an overall appearance of tidiness. The letter circulated to property owners must have played an important part in this state of affairs.

### **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

There are some excellent presentations under this heading and many gardens were admired. The Millrace Estate is

excellent in its presentation. It is good to note the initiative to link the estate to the village centre with a footpath, the help of the local business in funding this must be acknowledged.

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

Footpaths are nicely surfaced and presented but the same cannot be said for road surfaces, these were not good. Street furniture in general looked well with the exception of the 'Community Alert' sign at Moyvalley. Approach roads and nameplates look well. Car parking was orderly during adjudication. The church carpark is being nicely maintained.

### **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

A good overall presentation. The adjudicator looks forward to repeat visits.