

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **CLOONE VILLAGE**
County : **LEITRIM**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 05-07-2001

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2001	Mark Awarded 2000
Overall Developmental Approach	50	31	29
The Built Environment	40	30	27
Landscaping	40	31	29
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	13	13
Litter Control	40	36	34
Tidiness	20	18	16
Residential Areas	30	25	23
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	28	26
General Impression	10	8	8
TOTAL MARK	300	220	205

Cloone, County Leitrim

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Having last visited Cloone some years back this adjudicator was greatly surprised with the transformation that has taken place in recent years. The village was resplendent on adjudication day – neat and tidy with colourful floral displays, well maintained public and private properties and an impression that the community at large is committed to the tidy Towns Campaign at all levels. Thank you for the detailed map which was most helpful.

Well done to all concerned – the Tidy Towns Committee and local community representatives – a formidable team working in harmony with FAS and other state agencies. Another great effort has been rewarded with an increase in marks.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Again this year the built environment was most appealing and represented in many ways the historical and rural landscape that is Cloone. Business premises and residential properties were well presented and worthy of special mention are Cunniffes, Creegans, McKeon's, Churches, School and historical buildings on North side of Cloone. However, the adjudicator was disappointed to see beerkegs stored on a footpath and not out of view.

LANDSCAPING

Again this year an excellent performance under this heading. Well-maintained and colourful gardens on approach roads in tandem with hanging baskets and window boxes in the village created a welcoming atmosphere. The green areas and the flower tubs at the entrance to Lakeview Estate were colourful.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

Little progress under this heading. The recommendations contained in last year's report still apply. Seek the advice and guidance of a local wildlife expert in identifying easily accessible woodland, wetland and grassland habitats and develop further by way of promotional opportunities i.e. print, signposting etc. Give wildlife a priority rating in next years work programme.

LITTER CONTROL

Very little evidence of litter on adjudication day. Obviously your anti-litter awareness campaign is of major influence in helping to achieve such high standards under this heading.

TIDINESS

A tremendous performance under this heading. Public and private properties were all well presented. No litter and an eye catching display throughout the village of colourful window boxes, flower tubs and hanging baskets. An increase in marks

under this heading is richly deserved.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Many private houses and gardens on the approach roads were tastefully presented with well manicured lawns and mature planting. Lakeview Housing Estate was looking well and the residents are congratulated for their interest and support. All householders are playing a major role in supporting the Tidy Towns Committee and are congratulated for same.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

You have performed well under this heading. The new footpath from BBS is tidily presented and looks well. Verges on most approaches to the village were well cared for, however, do freshen up the presentation of signposting and street furniture. The planting in the area of Conefry is maturing nicely and the FAS workers are congratulated for their contribution to the many improvements carried out particularly at the North end of the village.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Community spirit is very strong and your excellent relationship with Leitrim County Council, FAS and other state agencies is achieving results. Continue the good work and give greater attention to the section relating to Wildlife when planning for next year.

A tremendous effort again this year. Well done.