

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **JAMESTOWN**
County : **LEITRIM**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 26-06-2001

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2001	Mark Awarded 2000
Overall Developmental Approach	50	26	25
The Built Environment	40	18	17
Landscaping	40	21	20
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	15	15
Litter Control	40	21	20
Tidiness	20	9	9
Residential Areas	30	20	20
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	18	17
General Impression	10	5	4
TOTAL MARK	300	153	147

Jamestown, County Leitrim

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Jamestown has produced an excellent Development Plan. The implementation of this will require a great effort by the entire community to improve and enhance this lovely Shannon village with its historic past. Some of the fine stone work have been repaired; however, more work still remains to be done. The Jamestown Arch if possible should be renovated by the Local Authority. The Harbour area should also receive more attention and should be an attraction in itself in attracting more pleasure cruises to the village. Consideration should also be given to removing grass from walls and further treeplanting particularly on the approach to Jamestown should also be considered. More involvement from the local community might also help the Tidy Towns effort. Thanks are due to the Committee for returning the completed questionnaire, the development plan, and the Jamestown brochure, which were most helpful. It might be an idea to plan your Tidy Towns campaign each year and decide what projects you will tackle for the betterment of the village.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The Roman Catholic Church was well presented, as were W. Keanoy's and the Arch Bar, nicely painted and lovely floral displays. There is a caravan in an untidy field in this vicinity, which detracts from the overall appearance of the main street. The water pump was well presented, nicely painted with nice flower tubs. Some work in progress was also visible on the main street. Should be an improvement when work is completed. The workhouse, which is a fine building, will improve when the corrugated windows are removed. "Salmon Leap" restaurant is also worthy of comment. Some lovely floral displays by many of the houses on the main street and in the approach.

LANDSCAPING

Many of the houses and gardens in the village and on the approaches have magnificent floral display. Flower tubs, hanging baskets, and flower boxes were the order of the day. (Well done). As mentioned last year the untidy green area beside the Jamestown Arch is still untidy and even more overgrown. There are some nice flower beds at the Drumsna approach and there is some nice tree planting on the left-hand side of this approach. The graveyard looked well, however, as already mentioned grass should be removed from walls and the footpaths at wall bases.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

There are a number of areas in Jamestown, which could be considered for a wildlife area. The proximity of the Shannon River could be considered, or perhaps a nature trail. It might

be an idea to get some of the young people in Jamestown to investigate this matter and contact some local ornithologist or perhaps the Local Authority.

LITTER CONTROL

As last year virtually no litter to be seen on adjudication day. There are still a number of litter bins, which are still badly in need of attention.

TIDINESS

The overall impression of Jamestown was tidy. There are however some rusty gates to be seen, some stone walls to be fixed up. Some lovely street furniture throughout the village. As already mentioned the workhouse needs attention and the overgrown area beside the Arch.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Most of the private houses in the village and on the approach are well presented. Some beautiful floral displays and well-kept walls and gardens. They are setting a fine example for others to follow. As mentioned there is a broken wall on the Carrick approach, which still needs attention. An excellent stone wall at Salmon Leap Bed & Breakfast.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Most of the approach roads have a good appearance, verges trimmed and nice stone walls. Footpaths were reasonably good.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

You have your Development Plan. There is a lot of work to be done; more community spirit is required. Progress has been made however, and we look forward to Jamestown progress in future years in the National Tidy Towns Competition.