

*"Caring for our environment"*

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

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 26-05-2001

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2001	Mark Awarded 2000
Overall Developmental Approach	50	27	27
The Built Environment	40	27	27
Landscaping	40	27	28
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	19	19
Litter Control	40	26	25
Tidiness	20	13	12
Residential Areas	30	23	22
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	20	19
General Impression	10	7	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>186</b>

## **Leitrim Village, County Leitrim**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

Thank you for completing the questionnaire. As last year you still do not have a Plan. Ideally, your Plan should cover a period of say 3-5 years and should set out clearly your objectives for each year covered. Do not adopt unrealistic objectives - a limited number of goals which are achievable each year is far more likely to yield results. Please consider same for next year and a town map is also very helpful to the adjudicator.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

The Church again was well presented with its attractive stone wall surround. The school still maintains a high standard of neatness. Again business properties worthy of note are - The Barge, Donnellan's and Carthy's, some with nice hanging baskets, windows boxes and street furniture. Still the unkempt open spaces remain, dereliction is still a problem and the marina was very untidy - overgrown and weedy in the lawn area and the surround at the base of the tree (which should be a very attractive feature) was completely overgrown with weeds.

### **LANDSCAPING**

On adjudication day the landscaping at the bridge left a lot to be desired. At Carthy's side, while the grass was mowed, the clippings remained there and the (broken) seat which was mentioned in last year's report was upturned. On the opposite side - grass and weeds were overgrown and the nice shrubbery bed needed maintenance. You must be more vigilant here - as it is an attractive feature which could be developed more fully and one must not forget it is the first glimpse a cruiser visitor acquires of Leitrim Village!

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

There is potential for greater nature conservation in the village. A good starting point would be to identify the wildlife habitats of your catchment area and see what species of animals, birds and fish these attract. Why not invite your local environmental experts and groups to get involved to advise you and provide you with the specialist information you will require.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

Litter control in general was very good - and as last year only one bin was spotted.

### **TIDINESS**

The village looked very tidy on adjudication day but derelict sites/houses detract from the overall vista.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

The appearance of all houses within the village and on the periphery generally is well presented. Many of the houses on the approach roads have excellent gardens with magnificent floral displays. Nice walls and well maintained beds, lawns and planters are in abundance. The new holiday homes with the cruisers are now complete and enhance the view from the bridge.

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

Most of the approach roads are good, particularly in relation to road surface, verges were neatly trimmed and numerous floral displays were dispersed intermittently at all approached - well done!

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

The overall appearance of Leitrim Village is charming but the community must be constantly vigilant and all must make a concerted effort to improve your ranking in the competition. Keep up the good work!