

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **TULLYALLEN**
County : **LOUTH**
Category : **B**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 18-06-2001

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2001	Mark Awarded 2000
Overall Developmental Approach	50	38	37
The Built Environment	40	26	25
Landscaping	40	25	23
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	21	21
Litter Control	40	28	28
Tidiness	20	12	12
Residential Areas	30	21	21
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	24	24
General Impression	10	6	6
TOTAL MARK	300	201	197

Tullyallen, Co. Louth

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Tullyallen is welcome to the 2001 Tidy Towns Competition. It is three years since this adjudicator has visited Tullyallen and is impressed with the changes over such a short period. The new village square looks really well and it is an appropriate tribute to your colleague and neighbour Josie Carrolan, who worked tirelessly for the community. Thank you for your submissions, it is good to note that you are approaching the development of the village in a holistic, rather than a piecemeal manner. We wish you well in the implementation of all aspects of your plan.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The school looks beautiful this year. The curtilage area of the Village Stores and the Post Office could be resurfaced. The new stone wall around the burial grounds has been noted and gives a nice finish here.

LANDSCAPING

Flower displays around the village are colourful and complement stands of mature trees and woodland areas. Take every opportunity to develop more shrubberies rather than relying on flower displays as they are so short lived. The little stream looks well with its colourful flower displays.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The area abounds with wildlife due to its rural and woodland setting. Wildlife, of course, will come increasingly under threat from the numerous housing developments in the area. A wildlife survey might be undertaken and zones of wildlife identified which are under threat. Protective measures should be decided upon.

LITTER CONTROL

Litter control was quite good during our visit. Send in details of your litter management strategies as these can be a source of additional marks.

TIDINESS

There are many problems under this heading due to the on-going construction work in the village. It will be difficult to gain marks here until construction work has been completed.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

New residential developments are at an early stage of their development, so it is difficult to appreciate what their visual impact will be on Tullyallen. However, this adjudicator's opinion is that the high wall fronting onto the main road in

the centre of the village is an unfortunate development and hopefully will not be repeated. How much nicer it would have been to look onto gardens and the fronts of houses.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Approach roads are well presented for the most part, but some signs need cleaning. Stretches of roadside edge in the village centre are less well presented, no doubt due to on-going development and some stretches of road are in an appalling condition for the same reason. It will be difficult to progress in the competition under this heading until all development works have ceased and roads have been refurbished. The landscaping of one section of the perimeter of the church car park is maturing nicely. The boundary treatment could be improved and eventually the car park area itself should be resurfaced and lined. The new street furniture is attractive.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Well done on a fine presentation this year. Tullyallen looked very well.