

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **FROSSES**  
County : **DONEGAL**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 09-07-2002

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2002	Mark Awarded 2001
Overall Developmental Approach	50	28	--
The Built Environment	40	26	--
Landscaping	40	27	--
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	15	--
Litter Control	40	28	--
Tidiness	20	13	--
Residential Areas	30	18	--
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	29	--
General Impression	10	7	--
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>--</b>

## **Frosses, County Donegal**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

If you have a 3 year development plan do please enclose it with your application form as the attached letter, however informative, does not constitute a development plan and you are perhaps not gaining the marks you could have. The attached map is clear, well presented and fulfills the request of last years adjudicator.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

The cleaning and repointing work carried out to the church belfry is a great achievement. Repainting of the church walls was nearing completion on adjudication day and the overall effect of your hard work is exceptional. The graveyard is also very impressive with it's large Celtic crosses. Do try to remove any plastic neon signs from the commercial premises within the village. The new houses, nearing completion, on Main Street will no doubt be a welcome addition to the street. Charles Friels appears derelict and untidy, are there any plans to develop this? The school is in good condition.

### **LANDSCAPING**

The new wooden fence at Coughlan Avenue was admired by the adjudicator and an obvious improvement on what was previously there. Your concern over the green common to this estate is noted and justified. It does present itself as a good opportunity not just for landscaping but also the introduction of local flora and fauna. Perhaps a pond could be developed here?

The picnic area is a fine development under this heading and will also contribute to wildlife within the village. The area appeared to be undergoing repairs in order to improve the drainage of surface water on the day of adjudication. The flower beds to the car park are extremely well done and very attractive.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

The planting of deciduous trees within the picnic area is to be applauded. Perhaps walks can be created around the village and other initiatives taken under this heading now that so much has been achieved in other areas.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

Quite a lot of litter was present in the approach road gutters but Main Street was generally litter free. Well done to the school children for helping to keep Frosses clear of litter.

## **TIDINESS**

The wall to the graveyard would benefit from the removal of the weeds growing there. There were streaks of rust on part of the wall of Colm Kelly's bar that ought to be removed as the rest of the building was in good condition. It is a pity that, before the road was resurfaced, the overhead cables could not have been relocated in ducting underground as this would vastly improve the streetscape. The hardstanding at the front of the hall requires attention if it is not to become overgrown with weeds.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

The residents of Coughlan Avenue should be congratulated on the maintenance of their gardens. Unfortunately, there is not a proper turning point for cars at the end of the cul-de-sac. The houses on Cranny Road are well appointed.

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

The sign for Frosses at the junction of the Killybegs to Donegal Town Road has been removed. Can this be replaced by the council? The stone name signs, complete with flower displays, on the approach roads are most welcoming to visitors. Main Street is in good condition, thanks to the resurfacing work carried out, as were the footpaths. The car park to the church was in good condition and the stonework carried out by the two local stonemasons was much admired.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

You have made great progress enhancing the village and are to be congratulated. Keep up the hard work.