

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **MANOR STREET/STONEYPATTER**  
County : **DUBLIN**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 02-07-2002

|                                | Maximum Mark | Mark Awarded 2002 | Mark Awarded 2001 |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Overall Developmental Approach | 50           | 29                | --                |
| The Built Environment          | 40           | 26                | --                |
| Landscaping                    | 40           | 28                | --                |
| Wildlife and Natural Amenities | 30           | 18                | --                |
| Litter Control                 | 40           | 25                | --                |
| Tidiness                       | 20           | 13                | --                |
| Residential Areas              | 30           | 21                | --                |
| Roads, Streets and Back Areas  | 40           | 27                | --                |
| General Impression             | 10           | 6                 | --                |
| <b>TOTAL MARK</b>              | <b>300</b>   | <b>193</b>        | <b>--</b>         |

## **Manor Street/Stoneybatter, County** **Dublin**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENT APPROACH**

Thank you for your completed entry form this year. The committee members should be commended for their hard work in developing the area. It is great to see the commitment from local shops, schools and residents to restore it to its former intimate village-like atmosphere. To achieve this, it is important that realistic attainable goals are set, to ensure the future development of the area. It would be useful in future years if a map of the commercial and residential area is supplied, with specific areas outlined and shown on the map.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

The residential areas of Manor Street fill the area with character. Manor Street is an attractive street with plenty of development opportunity. Many of the residents should be commended for the upkeep of their area. Some of the shop fronts on Manor Street are well maintained and fresh looking. Tommy O'Garas pub and the Stoney Inn both looked fresh and well maintained. However it was unfortunate that the Manor Sofa Company and the Cabinet Makers shop are in need of a facelift. The post office is also in need of some attention. The development of more traditional shop fronts in keeping with the history of the area would be an added development. The lamp at the top of the street, near Kavanaghs pub adds to the character and is in keeping with its history. The cobbled area of the street and the bollards along the street are attractive. The granite sign at the top of Manor Street is lovely, well maintained and in keeping with the area. It is important that any developments made are not only made at street level but also above the shop fronts where possible.

### **LANDSCAPING**

The landscaping that has taken place in the area should be commended. Primarily due to its location, the area is restricted in the number of landscaping opportunities and development that can take place. However the planting that has taken place enhances the area greatly. There is a lovely planted area at the top of Manor Street (Prussia Street end). Some of the residential areas have placed nice planting outside. Planters, are visible along the streets which are well kept. The small garden near Manor Place is a lovely area, with many attractive plants and trees.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

Due to its city centre location Manor Street is at a slight disadvantage compared to other areas in relation to wildlife and the development of it. It may be possible to involve the

local schools and children in some wildlife projects, possibly develop a small area in the park near Manor Place. This would encourage children to become involved in nature and wildlife. A development of the culture and history of the local area, possibly some heritage information panels on the area's history would also help.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

Despite the efforts outlined in the entry form and the visible litter bins on the street, some litter was still evident on the street. Overall, the litter control in the area should be commended. The committee and residents alike have tackled this issue and have good measures in place to combat the problem of litter. Awareness amongst the residents is important to ensure that they take pride in their area.

### **TIDINESS**

There is a good level of tidiness in the area. Many of the residential areas are well maintained. Some of the shop fronts looked fresh and nicely kept. There was quite a lot of poster advertising along one area of the street. This tends to give an overall impression of untidiness.

### **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

The residential areas around Manor Street provide a lot of character for the area. Many of the housing is terraced, bricked housing, with some newly built apartments on Aughrim Street. The housing along Manor Place and Ivar Street were well maintained, as were the streets themselves. The residents should be commended for the maintenance of their area. It is important to ensure that any developments are in keeping with the character of the area and that there is continued vigilance by local residents in the upkeep of their properties.

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

The approach roads into Manor Street from the Prussia Street end were generally in good condition and well signposted. The closure of North King Street from Smithfield is a little inconvenient at the moment and may cause some problems for the unfamiliar visitor, however, diversions were in place and were well signposted. On the day of adjudication, the area was extremely busy with no parking available on the street. Many of the side roads are in good condition. Exiting from any of the side roads onto Manor Street requires care and vigilance, as the street is extremely busy.

### **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

The overall impression of the area is positive. A lot of work has been done in the area to enhance it. More emphasis on the history of the area would be ideal, as it would make the residents more aware of the culture in the area.

