

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **COILL DUBH**
County : **KILDARE**
Category : **B**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 07-07-2002

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2002	Mark Awarded 2001
Overall Developmental Approach	50	21	21
The Built Environment	40	26	25
Landscaping	40	29	28
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	13	13
Litter Control	40	21	23
Tidiness	20	13	13
Residential Areas	30	25	24
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	16	16
General Impression	10	6	6
TOTAL MARK	300	170	169

COILL DUBH, CO. KILDARE

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Welcome to the Tidy Towns Competition of 2002, and thank you for your application. From the roadside one would never imagine that there are so many houses in Coill Dubh. It is interesting in that it was established by Bórd Na Móna. It is good to note your working with local groups. A simple outline of your aims, objectives and activities would be useful to the adjudicator.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The Church looks very well as does the Credit Union building and its environs. The School is well presented, as is the Golf Club Clubhouse. Gerry's Takeaway and the Village Newsagents both need to be tidied up. The broken Coke Cola sign outside the latter should be removed.

LANDSCAPING

The green area visible from the main road is beautifully presented and vivid on the day of adjudication. Landscaping on green areas in residential areas is also complimented.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

Many mature trees and hedgerows around the village are no doubt home to many species. Perhaps a small project could be initiated through the school to try to identify local wildlife habitats and any threats there may be to them.

LITTER CONTROL

Litter control on the main thoroughfare was quite good but a lot of litter was evident in residential areas.

TIDINESS

Solving the problem of litter in residential areas will help under this heading. While there were no major problems, everyone in the village should be diligent where weed growth is concerned and continue to encourage all members of the village to present their areas to the highest possible standards.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Most houses and gardens were very well presented in all areas. Unfortunately the presence of so much litter detracted from the presentation of residential areas.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Your comments regarding back area road width have been noted. Hopefully you will eventually be successful in getting Kildare County Council to tackle this problem.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

The overall impression of Coill Dubh is very favourable. This village has much potential in the Tidy Towns Competition. Well done on this year's presentation, but try to make an extra effort where litter is concerned. It would make such a difference to your village.