

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **MILLTOWN-KILDARE**
County : **KILDARE**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 07-07-2002

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2002	Mark Awarded 2001
Overall Developmental Approach	50	28	30
The Built Environment	40	25	24
Landscaping	40	31	30
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	19	19
Litter Control	40	30	29
Tidiness	20	16	15
Residential Areas	30	24	23
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	31	31
General Impression	10	6	6
TOTAL MARK	300	210	207

MILTOWN, CO KILDARE

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Welcome to the tidy Towns Competition of 2002 and thank you for your application. As a small village on what appears to be a fairly busy road you have a lot of potential to progress in the competition. You don't give much information on your application form and a brief plan outlining your activities and your objectives would be useful to the adjudicator. It would also help you focus on things you would like to get done. It is appreciated that with just three members on the committee it is difficult to get work done but any plan submitted only needs to be brief. Have you considered any ways you could get more local involvement?

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The Hanged Man's Public House at the bridge is nicely presented. The car park is in need of re-surfacing but the landscaped feature is much admired. The School is nicely presented but perhaps in need of repainting. Some derelict residences are in need of attention e.g. cottage across from the school. David's Shop looks very well. The Church is admired.

LANDSCAPING

The landscaping at Millview was admired as well as the entrance road to the Cloncownagh Estate. The flowers at the memorial plaque beside Millview are lovely. Tubs were noted but were very sparse. If they are not planted they should be removed.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The banks of the canal are no doubt a haven for many species. Could the local school help with a small project under this heading? Even to start by identifying local species and their habitats would be excellent. Or perhaps the Tidy Towns committee could encourage some people to have "bird friendly gardens". A project does not need to be huge – something to encourage awareness and appreciation would be a good start.

LITTER CONTROL

Litter control was good on the day of adjudication. Some litter was noted around the telephone box. Do you have active clean ups, or any other activities under this heading? If you do please submit details next year.

TIDINESS

The derelict building across from the T-junction coming from Kildare needs attention. Be diligent where weeds are

concerned.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The residential areas were very well presented. Millview looked very well and was beautifully landscaped. Many residences on the Kildare road were admired. Houses at Cloncownagh were lovely but weeds along the kerbsides need to be removed. Fenview Heights was beautifully presented. Well done to all involved.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Some areas were in need of resurfacing e.g. the car park at the Hanged Man. Village name signs on approach roads need to be cleaned. The roadside outside the Chicken Ranch is in need of resurfacing also.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

The general impression of Milltown is very favourable. This village has the potential to do very well in the Tidy Towns Competition.