

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **GREENORE**
County : **LOUTH**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 01-08-2002

| | Maximum Mark | Mark Awarded 2002 | Mark Awarded 2001 |
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| Overall Developmental Approach | 50 | 41 | 40 |
| The Built Environment | 40 | 31 | 31 |
| Landscaping | 40 | 32 | 32 |
| Wildlife and Natural Amenities | 30 | 25 | 25 |
| Litter Control | 40 | 30 | 29 |
| Tidiness | 20 | 15 | 15 |
| Residential Areas | 30 | 28 | 27 |
| Roads, Streets and Back Areas | 40 | 30 | 29 |
| General Impression | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| TOTAL MARK | 300 | 240 | 236 |

Greenore, County Louth

OVERALL DEVELOPMENT APPROACH

Welcome to the competition. Many thanks for the maps and information. The inclusion of the photographs were also very useful and the application showed great community spirit. Greenore has undertaken tremendous task in the provision of such a tidy village in a midst of heavy industry. Many thanks also for the letter. Issues mentioned have been taken into account.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Many of the industrial premises presented their entrances well and this was most encouraging. The Beach Café looked fine. The Co-operative Society and Broadway are fine buildings though the gate beside the Broadway required painting. The litterbin outside the co-operative was very dirty. Dolphin Sealed Air Corporation makes use of both creepers and landscaping very well. What are the plans for the lighthouses beside the port? It will need attention in the future. The fine red brick building of the port will also need attention if/when the new owners take over. The entrance to the golf course and the club house were both very well maintained – well done to all involved.

LANDSCAPING

Fr. Keegan Park provided a nice lead into the village and was well laid out and maintained. The area around St. James Well was also well maintained. The neat cutback of the roads and the mature planting gave the village a good ambience. Incidental planting by residents also helped to enhance the village and gave a very positive image.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENTIES

The beach is such a wonderful amenity to have and there were a variety of plants and shells to be seen at the Cutting. However this area could become a haven for wildflowers if properly managed and this should be encouraged. The glass perspex over the wildlife board is becoming opaque and requires replacing.

LITTER CONTROL

The village was overall clean though pieces of litter could be seen in the grass at the seafront. No litter bin was in evidence here though it is argued by some that they can encourage littering and people should really take it home. The rest of the village was litter free – well done.

TIDINESS

The village was generally tidy on the day of judging. Dead trees on the seafront should be removed and replaced. There was also an area of wasteground on the corner which could be considered possibly as a amenity area – or is there a use designated for it?

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Euston Street and Anglesey Terrace looked superb with colourful displays of plants setting the stonework off nicely. It is a pity that one of the houses is boarded up – most likely a valuable property. Other residences at the seafront looked well though boundary areas needed attention.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The main entrance road was neatly cut back, clean and tidy. The 30mph signs may need replacing in the near future and since the village features so highly in the competition attention to detail is required. If Fr. Keegan Park is part of the village – which it is – linkage/verge cutting should be bought out as far as the park in order to encompass it into the village.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Greenore is a village that balances industry and some wonderful architecture. It works well – keep up the good work.

SECOND ADJUDICATION (01/08/2002)

Despite the drizzling rain during our second visit the strong identity of Greenore shone through. Its unique character comprising the terraced houses, the fine red brick building at the port and the American style houses near the golf course was admired. The building at the port referred to must in our opinion be treasured and refurbished. A little litter was evident on the beach but generally control seemed good. Some incidental areas such as the parking area near the Beach Café could with relatively little effort be improved. To be especially commended are all those concerned with grass mowing and planting. The commercial entrances were somewhat better than last year. To knock the two villages above you in the Competition off their pedestals Greenore will have to achieve greater consistency.