

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **BONNICONLON**  
County : **MAYO**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 20-06-2002

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2002	Mark Awarded 2001
Overall Developmental Approach	50	30	27
The Built Environment	40	28	24
Landscaping	40	28	24
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17	17
Litter Control	40	30	23
Tidiness	20	13	10
Residential Areas	30	23	21
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	24	20
General Impression	10	9	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>173</b>

## **Bonniconlon, County Mayo**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

The documentation was very helpful and detailed. It was a good idea to indicate certain projects on the entry form and map in different colours. It is noted that there is a great interest in the tidy town's competition, reflected by the number of committee members for such a comparatively small community (almost 10 % of population is on the committee). This is very commendable.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

The Church and School are brilliantly maintained. Some of the aspects mentioned by last year's adjudicator regarding shop fronts still apply (plastic signs). Almost every building along Main Street is in an immaculate condition. The face-lift at the Grove Ballroom was still in progress on adjudication day.

### **LANDSCAPING**

The entire town is very well landscaped. Numerous beautifully kept flower beds were noted along every street. The most impressive example of this is the corner at Bonniconlon/Enniscrone junction which is enhanced with flowers, shrubs and quality seating.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

Your tree-planting programme continues to be successful. An illustrated sign displaying plants and animals of the area would add to the attractiveness of the town.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

On the day of adjudication absolutely no litter was found in the streets of the town. Four recycling banks for glass, plastic and cans are in place and there was a sufficient number of litterbins in the town.

### **TIDINESS**

Your weed control scheme (on all approach roads) works very well. There are only two cases, which need to be looked after: a bungalow situated beside the graveyard on the Attymass Road is in need of attention. Painting and gardening work is essential. The town sign on the Attymass Road was overgrown and could hardly be seen.

### **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Homes are well looked after, a credit to their owners. A derelict house in the town was

rebuilt and will give another delightful and improved picture of the town.

### **ROADS, STREET AND BACK AREAS**

The main road through the town has been resurfaced. The lamp posts are very attractive. Favourably noted was a car park behind Judges River Inn. Most back areas are spotless with one exception (untidy back area on Attymass Road with old tyres and building rubble).

### **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

This town is superbly kept and a perfect example for a very ambitious and well organised tidy towns committee. This shows that even a small town without specific features like seaside views or monuments etc. can become attractive purely by its charming look.