

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **ROSCOMMON**
County : **ROSCOMMON**
Category : **D**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 21-06-2002

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2002	Mark Awarded 2001
Overall Developmental Approach	50	37	35
The Built Environment	40	27	27
Landscaping	40	31	30
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17	15
Litter Control	40	26	28
Tidiness	20	11	12
Residential Areas	30	21	21
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	25	25
General Impression	10	7	7
TOTAL MARK	300	202	200

Roscommon, Co Roscommon

OVERALL DEVELOPMENT APPROACH

The 5 year work programme submitted is very comprehensive. You would appear to have established a very good working relationship with the various statutory bodies and local organisations, the benefits of which are to be seen in your town. We look forward to seeing the planned projects develop over the coming years.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

There is a lot of construction work taking place in your town at present, in terms of new housing estates, new retail development, work taking place at both hotels etc. It is important to think how these changes will impact on the overall appearance of your town. Encourage these operators to think about signage, street furniture, landscaping etc. so as to enhance the overall image of the street scapes. The Coral Leisure Centre looks and New Arts Centre look well. Your very impressive Historic Buildings continue to play a pivotal role in Roscommon Towns built environment, and good to see enhancement of Post Office this year. I note your concern re proposed development at Castle St.

LANDSCAPING

You have undertaken two large projects this year in terms of St. Ciaran's Park and the Town Park / Loch na Ean – Well done on all that has been achieved to date, looking forward to the continual development in this area.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

I note that your beautifully designed signs depicting the wildlife of Loch na Ean are completed and look forward to seeing them in place. The landscaping of the Town Park is well underway and when complete will be a wonderful natural amenity to your town, both for residents and visitors alike. You are fortunate to have Mote Park another significant natural amenity on the edge of the town.

LITTER CONTROL

I was a little disappointed in this area this year as it was not up to your usual high standard – Maybe I caught you on a bad day ! I welcome the continuation of litter free zoning initiative to Church St., delighted to see hear Traders and Residents are positively coming on board.

TIDINESS

Where as most traders and residents alike are committed to the overall enhancement of the town, and I note your Tidy

Estate Competition and participation in IBAL Litter League there are still some problem areas which need attention, namely the Circular Road area. Continue to work closely with local authority to try to have issue resolved. Also be mindful of the Racecourse Road approach re closed factories etc.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Most residential properties are presented to a high standard, and well done to all those involved in St. Ciaran's Park project. There are many new housing developments and look forward to seeing landscaping of same. Continue the good work in terms of Tidy Estate and Gardening Competition and get new residents involved.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

This area still needs improvement, I have already mentioned the Racecourse Rd, and Circular Rd. The visual impact on the approach road from Lanesborough is now greatly enhanced with many new commercial properties. There are new trees planted, however, the grass needs cutting and the beds at the Statoi garage require weeding.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Roscommon is a town which is in a period of change with much development taking place. Your overall vision to preserve and enhance the uniqueness of what already exists in tandem with developing an economic vibrant place to work and live creates challenges, but your overall plan recognises these and I look forward seeing your town evolve over the coming years. Well done on what has been achieved to date and keep up the good work.