

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **ENNISCRONE**  
County : **SLIGO**  
Category : **B**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 16-06-2002

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2002	Mark Awarded 2001
Overall Developmental Approach	50	20	20
The Built Environment	40	25	24
Landscaping	40	24	24
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	12	12
Litter Control	40	25	24
Tidiness	20	12	11
Residential Areas	30	24	24
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	24	24
General Impression	10	7	6
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>169</b>

## **Enniscrone, County Sligo**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

It is important at this stage in the competition that you formulate a three to five year work programme. This document need only be a few pages long outlining your plans for the village's future and setting a time frame for their implementation. This document will help the adjudicators assess your ongoing progress in the competition. Good luck with your efforts regarding obtaining the grant to renovate the castle area.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

Most of the buildings of the village, both public and commercial, were well cared for on the day. The Seaweed Baths were nicely maintained in contrast to the old Cliff House Baths which appeared quite neglected. The modern Fire Station was well maintained and the relatively new trees outside are coming along nicely. The Benbulbin Hotel was quite fresh as was the cheerful Garda Station in yellow with red trims around the windows. The Post Office looked well and the Castle Arms Hotel was well maintained – perhaps some tree or shrub planting could be considered in this location to soften the appearance of the hard landscaping somewhat. The church looked well although its cross will need repainting before next year's competition. Some work is needed to Enniscrone Motors in terms of repainting their tin roof. The amusement areas to the seafront were fine although one of the shops was empty - it was for sale and hopefully will not be empty for too long.

### **LANDSCAPING**

The pier area was well maintained as were the waterside green spaces including children's playground. The playing courts in this area were fine although the fencing could be replaced in the not too distant future. The grotto opposite the Garda Station was beautifully maintained.

### **WILDLIFE**

In your application form you mentioned that you have no plans for this aspect of the competition. Enniscrone is set in a magnificent location by the seaside and has a wealth of associated wildlife habitats. As mentioned by last year's adjudicator you can seek the advice of local experts in this regard and involve the local school children by setting a project assessing the wildlife habitats of the area. The cheerful yellow bog irises adjacent to the approach roads to the golf club were greatly admired. The blue flag status of the beach is to be commended.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

The standard of litter control on the day was extremely good given the busy seaside

nature of the town. Some minor outbreaks were noted – at the crossroads of the Tubbercurry Road, by the village nameplate on the Ballina Road, on the seafront area by the amusements and the odd outbreak along Main Street. Congratulations on your litter warden – this development is obviously paying dividends.

## **TIDINESS**

The forecourt area to the ESB sub-station looks quite rough – perhaps a wall could be built in this location in order to screen the area somewhat. Red algae growth is always a problem in a marine environment and extra vigilance is called for in this regard. Perhaps some means of screening the caravan park could be considered – the planting of hedging or trees that are natural to a marine environment would work well. A single storey stone shed on the bend at the Ballina Road created a bad impression but generally the village looked quite reasonable on the day.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

The new housing development with stone boundary wall on the Tubbercurry Road were admired. Some algae staining, mentioned previously, was noted to a few houses on the Woodlands Estate although most were quite fresh and their open space was well maintained. The houses leading to Ard na Gréine Nursing Home was beautifully maintained. A single storey house on the Ballina Road was admired for its unusual and innovative design.

## **ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS**

The Tubbercurry Road appeared quite overgrown and a number of potholes were evident – much construction work was taking place in this location. The Easky Road was extremely well maintained as was the Ballina Road and the streets of the town were generally presented to a high standard.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

Enniscrone is an attractive and busy seaside location with much to offer the visitor. It looked well cared for on adjudication day but at this stage of the competition a work programme is essential.