

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **LISVERNANE**  
County : **TIPPERARY SOUTH**  
Category : **A**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 20-06-2002

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2002	Mark Awarded 2001
Overall Developmental Approach	50	32	32
The Built Environment	40	26	25
Landscaping	40	28	27
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	14	14
Litter Control	40	26	26
Tidiness	20	14	14
Residential Areas	30	18	18
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	26	26
General Impression	10	7	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>189</b>

## Lisvernane, County Tipperary

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

Thank you for all the information sent with the entry form and for the map which was most useful on adjudication day. It is indeed regrettable that you do not have a Fás or a C.E. Scheme worker but gratifying to read that you do have the support of your Community for your efforts. As villages go, Lisvernane is a substantial one with many opportunities where environmental projects can be undertaken which will in turn increase your markings in the Competition. You received an in depth report from last years Adjudicator. The following therefore is by way of comment on further progress to date and should be read in tandem with that report.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

As last year the School and Church were very well presented. The Grotto is a nice feature but, on adjudication day, the grass needed to be cut. The statue could probably do with a cleaning. In painting terms the Church railings would seem to have been refreshed but, based on appearances not so the school railings. Stone walls, which are a feature of the village, are also being well maintained as indeed are your commercial premises. New houses being built were noted. The natural untidiness associated with these has been allowed for.

### **LANDSCAPING**

Where presented this looked very well throughout the village. The area encompassed by the Church and the School in particular looked well. In the Riverdale Estate it would appear that, unfortunately, their open spaces are being totally neglected. Trees and shrubs planted in the past are now maturing and create a lovely atmosphere in the village. For the future try to identify further sites where similar planting can take place and with the emphasis on the provision of colour on an all-year-round basis. The Nursery at the bottom of the hill could probably advise you on this. Planters and tubs of flowers etc where presented throughout the village also looked very well and are being well maintained.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

As mentioned in last years report opportunities do exist in Lisvernane for the undertaking of such a project. Perhaps initially the provision of feeding tables and nesting boxes at a suitable site might be considered. Perhaps this is something that the school children could take on. There may be somebody in your locality who has an interest in wildlife and would undertake to assist. Otherwise the Wildlife Officer of Dúchas is available to give help and advice.

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## **LITTER CONTROL**

Unfortunately there was evidence of littering in the village on adjudication day. It did not seem to be in one place in particular but generally, in small quantities, throughout the village. This is an important aspect of the competition and requires constant monitoring.

## **TIDINESS**

Bearing in mind your comments regarding derelict sites and other buildings which intrude on the environment, the village, nevertheless, was presented in a very neat and tidy manner. This is a great reflection on your residents who obviously are concerned with the preservation of their living environment. Well done to all concerned.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Individual houses again looked well this year. Many had gardens in full bloom which were a joy to see on adjudication day. This type of individual effort in a small village is vitally important if success in the Competition is to be achieved. Some houses are in need of a coat of paint. New house building will further enhance the village in years to come.

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

The surface of the road in the Main Street is being well maintained as are the paths. The road however into Riverdale Drive is pot holed and in need of repair. Approach roads were nicely presented on adjudication day with evidence of verges having been cut. The verges of pathways on the Tipperary approach however were badly weeded and need attention. The appearance of approach roads is very important as they tend to set the tone for the rest of the village. Village nameplates are being well maintained.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

In spite of the loss of your Fás worker good work is nevertheless being done. It is always important to maintain what has already been done in line with any new initiatives which are being planned. In this connection try to identify what you can do over the next 3/5 years on a year-to-year basis within your physical and financial resources. Such a plan need not be elaborate and can be done in conjunction with your Local Authority and other agencies and, of course, your residents. The Adjudicator looks forward to returning to Lisvernane again next year to see further progress.