

"Caring for our environment"

Centre : **CLONEA-POWER**
County : **WATERFORD**
Category : **A**

Results

Date of Adjudication : 07-06-2002

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2002	Mark Awarded 2001
Overall Developmental Approach	50	30	29
The Built Environment	40	28	27
Landscaping	40	19	19
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	18	17
Litter Control	40	23	22
Tidiness	20	16	15
Residential Areas	30	17	17
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	23	22
General Impression	10	7	6
TOTAL MARK	300	181	174

Clonea-Power, County Waterford

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

The information and map supplied on the entry form was most useful on adjudication day. Thank you indeed for it. It is noted that you continue to have the support of FÁS, ESB, County Council and local School as well as your local community in terms of physical and financial assistance. This is highly commendable. Perhaps for next year you might resubmit a copy of your plan and, as this year, mark on your street map items which have been developed during 2003 so that the Adjudicator can have sight of them.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The Church, School, Parish Hall and Health Centre again looked very well this year and the completion of the new gate pillars at the Parish Hall was noted. Repairs and enhancements to the School and Church gates was also noted and looked extremely well.

LANDSCAPING

It was mentioned on your entry form that the cutting of grass verges on approach roads would be a major project for this year. Unfortunately, on adjudication day, this does not appear to have happened. It should be noted that adjudication can take place anytime from the 1st June onwards. This is an important aspect of the competition as approach roads tend to set the tone for the rest of the village. As mentioned in last years report, do consult your Tidy Towns handbook regarding this type of cutting which should not be too close to the hedge in order to encourage the propagation of wild flowers. As part of your 3 to 5 year plan try to identify areas in the village which would benefit from the planting of trees and shrubs which would give you some colour on an all-year-round basis. Pot planting has been done and looks extremely well.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The comments in your report regarding the releasing of pheasants have been noted. However, while this is commendable, it is desirable that a wildlife habitat be established and, in this connection, your river is an ideal location. Again consult your Tidy Towns Handbook in this regard.

LITTER CONTROL

Clonea-Power was practically litter-free on adjudication day. Again, as last year, there was some evidence of minor littering in the housing estate on the Rathgormac Road. It is noted from your entry form that a "litter pick" is carried out by your local school children. This is highly commendable the benefits of which are to be readily seen.

TIDINESS

Again this year the village was presented in a very neat and tidy manner which reflects greatly the interests of your local residents in their living environment. Well done to all concerned.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Comments made under this heading last year are still applicable. The many houses in the village looked excellent as did their gardens. Open spaces are being well maintained and reflect great credit on the Community in general.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Road surfaces are good. Work on the pavement was noted. The carpark is being well maintained and is being kept tidy.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Continue your good work. Try to plan what you might do over the next 3 to 5 years within your physical and financial resources. Work closely with your Local Authority and other agencies. On the question of advice – it is suggested that you contact your Regional Tourism Authority (based in Waterford City) who will be pleased to send a representative out to you for the purpose of discussing further developments in the Tidy Towns Competition.