

Tidy Towns Competition 2003

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Ballylickey**

Ref: **484**

County: **Cork West**

Mark: **193**

Category: **A**

Date: **27/06/2003**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2003	Mark Awarded 2002
Overall Developmental Approach	50	24	24
The Built Environment	40	27	26
Landscaping	40	27	26
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	20	20
Litter Control	40	31	30
Tidiness	20	13	12
Residential Areas	30	21	21
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	23	23
General Impression	10	7	7
TOTAL MARK	300	193	189

Overall Developmental Approach:

The adjudicator would like to thank you for the excellent map. The adjudicator is very concerned to note that a Tidy Towns Work Programme or Plan was not submitted with the entry documentation.

Progress in the competition will be dependent on everyone working towards the same ends. With this in mind you should prepare a "3 /5 Year rolling Tidy Towns Work Programme". This programme should have the support of the community, local groups other agencies and the County Council. It would therefore guide you Tidy Towns actions for the next three to five years. The Work Programme will detail the Tidy Towns objectives to be achieved by your committee in the years ahead. The preparation of such a Plan that is updated annually is now an essential aspect of the Tidy Towns Competition.

Do keep in mind that what is required is a simple Plan or document.

The Built Environment:

Manning's Shop and Cronin's Supermarket looked especially well on adjudication day. There are a number of fine buildings in the area that includes Ballylickey Manor House. Low natural stone walls are a fine feature of Ballylickey, as are the extensive tree and shrub areas. The presentation of Eagle Point Caravan Park is once again outstanding - what magnificently presented hedging is to be found

here.

Landscaping:

There are some excellent examples of landscaping in the Ballylickey area and the one located on the Glengarriff side before the Caravan Park is really outstanding. However there is potential for some new linear landscaped areas parallel with the main road. One such example is the area on the inland side of the road just beyond Snave Pier on the Bantry side.

Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

The erection of wildlife plaques in the area at some of the parking locations would be an excellent project. You may have to carry out a simple Survey first to determine what plants and birds are to be found in your area.

Litter Control:

Litter control in the area on adjudication day was quite good.

Tidiness:

Weed growth was noted on the inland verge between Eagle Point and the bridge. There are a few open spaces that would benefit from a tidy up but generally the area is well presented from this point of view.

Residential Areas:

A very high standard of presentation of private houses and gardens has been achieved. In some gardens natural rock is used as part of the landscaping to great effect. It is most encouraging to see that new housing development is under way. Hopefully appropriate landscaping plans are part of this development.

Roads, Streets and Back Areas:

Approach roads are generally well presented and the many trees and naturally occurring shrubs add enormously to the overall visual effect. Well built low stone walls are a fine feature on the approach roads.

General Impression:

The adjudicator has noted the comment on the Entry Form to the effect that marks do not seem to be improving. In 2002 marks increased by a total of seven. This is a significant achievement for your Committee and they should take encouragement from that. Well done to everyone involved.