

# Tidy Towns Competition 2003

## Adjudication Report

Centre: **Brannockstown**

Ref: **274**

County: **Kildare**

Mark: **183**

Category: **B**

Date: **05/07/2003**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2003	Mark Awarded 2002
Overall Developmental Approach	50	27	27
The Built Environment	40	30	30
Landscaping	40	25	25
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	13	13
Litter Control	40	30	20
Tidiness	20	11	11
Residential Areas	30	20	20
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	20	20
General Impression	10	7	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>173</b>

### Overall Developmental Approach:

Thank you for your submission that included a village map, schedule of works completed during the year, and copy of Village Study.

The Brannockstown Tidy towns Committee is strong and extremely active. During the past year the Group has cooperated with other local groups and with the local authority.

### The Built Environment:

The village has essentially a dispersed linear format arranged around two road junctions. The initial fabric of the village is 'Picturesque' in style and consists of a range of very attractive stone-built 19th century lodge-type houses and public buildings. The village also has a range of 20th century houses and minor building.

### Landscaping:

The open rural landscape of the village is complimented by the wonderful stone walling, the natural background and the hanging baskets.

### Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

Despite the wonderful natural background, little attempt seems to have been made to initiate a nature or wildlife project. Such a project could perhaps be run as a school project.

### **Litter Control:**

Litter control in the village was generally excellent and on the day of the assessment only a miniscule of litter was noticed.

### **Tidiness:**

The village throughout was generally neat and tidy. The village would benefit if the industrial premises had a softer impact. Some landscaping would greatly improve this area. The base of the water pump is in poor condition and could benefit from maintenance.

### **Residential Areas:**

The village has a number of residential areas, These were all beautifully presented with carefully managed houses, attractive gardens and good landscaped open spaces.

### **Roads, Streets and Back Areas:**

The approach roads to the village are extremely attractive and inviting, with tidy verges, stone walling, good hedges and trees. The village streets have a similar open rural form and aspect and are similarly attractive.

### **General Impression:**

The village is extremely attractive, and seems to be very well appreciated and maintained by the local community. The implementation of the Village Study should add greatly to this intrinsic attractiveness.