

# Tidy Towns Competition 2003

## Adjudication Report

Centre: **Kildangan**

Ref: **40**

County: **Kildare**

Mark: **188**

Category: **A**

Date: **12/07/2003**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2003	Mark Awarded 2002
Overall Developmental Approach	50	34	34
The Built Environment	40	28	28
Landscaping	40	27	26
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	18	18
Litter Control	40	24	23
Tidiness	20	10	9
Residential Areas	30	18	18
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	23	23
General Impression	10	6	6
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>185</b>

### Overall Developmental Approach:

Thank you for your submission that included a map of the village, a long-term plan, a report for 2003, and supporting photographs. This submission is excellent.

The Kildangan Community Development is strong in number and has been working well in co-operation with other local community groups and with the local authority.

### The Built Environment:

Kildangan village is essentially a chapel type village laid out on a curved linear plan. The fabric of the village consists largely of 19th and 20th century house and public building - all very well presented.

### Landscaping:

The village looked very pleasant with the natural landscape background, stone walling, house gardens, and the flower tubs. The new fencing and planting at Cross Keys looks good as does the stone gateway in the village.

### **Wildlife and Natural Amenities:**

The wildlife and wildflowers support is excellent. It might be appropriate now to consider initiating a specific nature project, perhaps a school wild-garden, or similar project.

### **Litter Control:**

Litter management in the village remains good, although isolated instances of litter were noted on the approach roads and along the main street.

### **Tidiness:**

The village looked extremely neat tidy, but weed management especially along the paths could be improved.

### **Residential Areas:**

The residential areas around the village are well managed and maintained, with neat houses, attractive gardens, attractive open spaces, flowers, shrubs, trees, and entrance signs.

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

The Kildare approach road to the village was very inviting, with trimmed grass margins, neat hedges, excellent background trees, stud fencing, neat signs, and some stone walling. The other approach roads were good but could benefit from better weed management. The village streetscape with its curved carriage way, landscaping and individual houses looked very attractive.

### **General Impression:**

The visit to Kildangan was most enjoyable. The care and hard work of the Community Development Association has produced excellent results.