

# Tidy Towns Competition 2003

## Adjudication Report

Centre: **Kilkea**

Ref: **109**

County: **Kildare**

Mark: **207**

Category: **A**

Date: **04/07/2003**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2003	Mark Awarded 2002
Overall Developmental Approach	50	25	25
The Built Environment	40	30	30
Landscaping	40	27	27
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	18	18
Litter Control	40	38	30
Tidiness	20	13	13
Residential Areas	30	24	24
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	25	25
General Impression	10	7	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>199</b>

### Overall Developmental Approach:

Thank you for your submission that included a village map. Your submission should have included a brief long-term plan and a schedule of work completed. The plan will help you identify what developments are needed over the next five years and what resources are required. The schedule will allow you to monitor your achievement on a regular basis.

The Tidy Towns Committee is small, but has worked and cooperated with other local community groups and with the local authority.

### The Built Environment:

Kilkea is a small 19th century estate village laid out in the 'Picturesque' style. The layout is essentially linear and the fabric consists of a church and a range of attractive stone-built houses - the entire focussed on the gates to Kilkea Castle.

### Landscaping:

The rural landscape form an attractive backdrop to the village. This has been supplemented by stone walling, and by the placing of flower baskets, tubs, seating and the village pump.

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

The surrounding landscape and the golf course no doubt offer great potential for the development of a nature study trail. Perhaps this could be initiated by the committee.

### **Litter Control:**

Litter control around the village is excellent, and only one isolated instance of litter was noted.

### **Tidiness:**

The village looked tidy and very attractive and offers a delightful entrance to the Castle. However, weed management is needed.

### **Residential Areas:**

The houses in the village are very attractive with well presented gardens.

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

The approach roads to the village look inviting, with attractive grass verges, hedgerows, trees, houses and gardens. The verges are controlled, but in need of trimming and weeding.

### **General Impression:**

Kilkea is a most attractive village and great credit is due to the committee for maintaining a high standard of appreciation and presentation.