

# Tidy Towns Competition 2003

## Adjudication Report

Centre: **Lisacul**

Ref: **369**

County: **Roscommon**

Mark: **165**

Category: **A**

Date: **13/06/2003**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2003	Mark Awarded 2002
Overall Developmental Approach	50	18	17
The Built Environment	40	20	17
Landscaping	40	28	19
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	12	10
Litter Control	40	25	25
Tidiness	20	12	11
Residential Areas	30	20	19
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	23	23
General Impression	10	7	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>148</b>

### Overall Developmental Approach:

Lisacul is welcome to the 2003 Tidy Towns Competition. The village is situated on a busy thoroughfare in beautiful countryside and was delightful to visit. Lisacul looked splendid on the day of adjudication. A substantial increase in marks have been earned this year however it will be difficult to proceed very much further in the competition unless you prepare a three to five year work programme. Do try to submit this with next years application. It is good to note that you liaise with the Roscommon County Council, FAS and the Lough Lynn District Angling Club.

### The Built Environment:

The village is primarily a residential village with few commercial properties. The majority of properties are presented to the highest standard. Both the church and school occupy important sites in the village and are presented to an excellent standard. Well done to all concerned.

### Landscaping:

This is Lisacul's strong point in the competition. Landscaping throughout the village was faultless, container flower displays looked magnificent as did flower beds, shrubberies are maturing well and young trees will make an important contribution to the environment as they mature. The verges of approach roads are excellent in presentation also. The Millennium Garden with bog oak sculpture

was very much admired.

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

Congratulations on the development of a walk to the new fishing facility. On the day of the adjudication this was being enjoyed by a large number of people. As important as this development is it is also important to undertake a wild life survey of the village and its immediate environs, and to take whatever protective steps are necessary in the face of future development.

### **Litter Control:**

Litter control was very good. We note that you circulate a newsletter every few weeks to the community to remind people of the need to keep the area tidy and this appears to be a fruitful exercise. If you have any other litter control activities send them in with your application next year as they can earn you additional marks.

### **Tidiness:**

Its good to note the weekly clean up evenings that are organised. Overall the village was very tidy, there were a few untidy areas for example the derelict shed at the road by the Community Resource Centre, an untidy gable wall was also noted. The recycling point is a successful initiative and is being maintained in a tidy manner.

### **Residential Areas:**

The majority of residential properties in the village are presented to the highest standard. One or two boundary walls do need to be upgraded a little. Most gardens are beautifully designed and maintained.

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

The Ballaghderreen approach road was excellent in presentation of verges and hedgerows etc. The nameplate looked well also. The Ballyhaunis approach road was less well presented particularly in the environs of the nameplate, however stretches further in towards the village looked really well. Lots of work to stone walls has been noted and indeed some was still in progress at the time of adjudication. Nameplates should be provided for minor roads also.

### **General Impression:**

Lisacul is a delightful charming village and deserves the handsome increase in marks this year. However as noted at the start of this report it would be difficult to achieve further marks without the preparation of a three to five year work programme.