

Tidy Towns Competition 2003

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Annestown**

Ref: **140**

County: **Waterford**

Mark: **211**

Category: **A**

Date: **10/06/2003**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2003	Mark Awarded 2002
Overall Developmental Approach	50	32	31
The Built Environment	40	28	28
Landscaping	40	28	28
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	19	19
Litter Control	40	33	32
Tidiness	20	15	15
Residential Areas	30	23	22
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	26	26
General Impression	10	7	7
TOTAL MARK	300	211	208

Overall Developmental Approach:

The information supplied with the entry form and the map for which the adjudicator is most thankful seems to indicate that you are still a very small group but doing extremely good work. Your documentation was read with interest and it is gratifying to see that you still have the support of your Local Authority and, most importantly, your residents for your undertakings. In this respect congratulations on your success in the competition last year. In spite of the size of the village do try to plan out what you might successfully achieve over the next couple of years within your physical and financial resources. In this respect hopefully the comments of this and previous adjudicators will be of assistance to you.

The Built Environment:

Your Church and Sports Centre again looked very well maintained as indeed is the car park at the beach and the limekiln. Local premises also looked well and the village looks very colourful indeed.

Landscaping:

The village looked very nice and tubs of flowers and various shrubs where presented create a nice ambience. Your comments regarding the village pump were noted. Larceny is always a problem. Perhaps you could get some suitable person to secure the pump more firmly which might enable you

to feature it more prominently. The area around the entrance from the Dunhill Road is still a bit austere. Perhaps some judicious planting of trees and shrubs might soften the outlook there. At the moment while the Sports Club is a very fine amenity, it is somewhat featureless in terms of presentation.

Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

Again your comments under this heading have been noted. It can only be suggested that you continue to explore ways and means of developing what could be a very interesting project for the village. In the meantime you will continue to get the nominal mark given last year.

Litter Control:

The village was again almost absolutely litter free on adjudication day. Heartiest congratulations are due to all concerned. Bearing in mind the amount of throughput traffic this is a marvellous achievement and reflects greatly on your Committee and your residents. Well done to all concerned.

Tidiness:

The village was presented in a very neat and tidy manner. Comments under this heading in last years report regarding the Dunhill Road are still applicable.

Residential Areas:

It was lovely to see so many nicely painted houses and a high level of maintenance in practically all cases. This type of initiative has created a lovely ambience in the village. Long may it continue.

Roads, Streets and Back Areas:

Approach roads were very nicely presented with evidence of cutting. Street surfaces and paths are being well maintained. It would be nice if the overhead cabling could be put underground but in the event this would have a very disruptive effect on the village albeit for a short period. Perhaps it is something, in the long term, you could discuss with the ESB.

General Impression:

Again this year Annestown has presented itself in a resplendent manner. All concerned are to be congratulated. "The few" have once again proved that with diligence and hard work a lot can be achieved, a matter which many other centres could very well learn from.