

Tidy Towns Competition 2004

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Clonbur**

Ref: **8**

County: **Galway**

Mark: **227**

Category: **B**

Date: **05/07/2004**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2004	Mark Awarded 2003
Overall Developmental Approach	50	34	33
The Built Environment	40	35	34
Landscaping	40	28	28
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	21	21
Litter Control	40	32	31
Tidiness	20	13	12
Residential Areas	30	25	25
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	30	29
General Impression	10	9	9
TOTAL MARK	300	227	222

Overall Developmental Approach:

Thank you for completing the entry form. and also for your very comprehensive report on the work which you have carried out. It is very heartening to see a community working so well together. Obviously you all have great pride in your village and this was very evident on adjudication day. Clonbur is a lovely place to visit, and it was very busy the day I was there.

The Built Environment:

All of the business premises are presented to a very good standard. The hanging baskets and window boxes add a great splash of colour to the village. I agree that there is no need for hanging baskets on the lampposts. They look very nice as they are. The Church and the health centre are all looking very good. Lynch's Centre, Fairhill and Burkes all are presented very nicely. The Community Centre is also looking good and the shrubbery is maturing very nicely. I really do sympathise with you concerning the eyesore. Have you ever considered asking the owner if you could perhaps paint a mural on the walls - this has worked very nicely in other towns where there were derelict buildings.

Landscaping:

The waterfall between Woodhill Housing Estate and the Church is visually very attractive and is a lovely approach to the village from Cong. The raised stone beds, the rebuilt walls and pillars all

enhance the beauty of Clonbur. The three local stone Failte signs blend in very nicely with the environment.

Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

You are most fortunate to have such natural amenities in the area. Mount Gable and Lough Coolin and Ballykine Forest walks are such an asset and it is good to see that they are firstly being enjoyed by yourselves and secondly by visitors. Please do ensure that all of these natural amenities are kept as unspoilt and uncommercialised as possible.

Litter Control:

You are to be commended for your efforts in encouraging people to recycle. You have very good litter control and this was again most evident on adjudication day. Congratulations on getting an anti litter awareness award.

Tidiness:

Clonbur is presented to a high standard. The cleaning and maintenance of your streets is noted. You are most progressive and you know the different organisations to go through to access money and you are putting it to very good use.

Residential Areas:

There are some lovely individual homes both on the approach roads and in the village. They are all maintained to a very good standard and I saw some beautifully manicured gardens.

Roads, Streets and Back Areas:

The approach roads leading to the village are in good order. The grass verges were all cut back and were neat and tidy. The approach from Cong was particularly good. The drive between Clonbur and Cornamona is quite spectacular and you are so lucky to have this beautiful area so close to where you live.

General Impression:

Clonbur is looking very well. You have a very dedicated hard working committee and everybody is to be commended for your hard work. Your increase in marks this year are well deserved. Please do not be disillusioned by the few people who fail to come on board with you. You are doing a wonderful job, keep up the good work and best of luck in future competitions.