

Tidy Towns Competition 2004

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Dunmore**

Ref: **582**

County: **Galway**

Mark: **136**

Category: **B**

Date: **26/06/2004**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2004	Mark Awarded 2003
Overall Developmental Approach	50	20	
The Built Environment	40	18	
Landscaping	40	22	
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	15	
Litter Control	40	21	
Tidiness	20	8	
Residential Areas	30	12	
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	16	
General Impression	10	4	
TOTAL MARK	300	136	

Overall Developmental Approach:

Welcome to the Tidy Towns Competition 2004. I would recommend that you draw up a simple 3 to 5 year Development Plan setting out realistic objectives which can be achieved each year. Endeavour to enlist the wider community of Dunmore in your Tidy Town plans.

The Built Environment:

Church and grounds and car park at Church were presented to a high standard. Community School and grounds are in good condition. The Abbey looked well but the surrounding area needs to be kept in check. A derelict building opposite Church takes from the well presented Church and the area leading to the Golf Club. Health centre needs repainting. A few public premises in the centre of the town need repainting.

Landscaping:

Flowers & scrubs in Church grounds and flowers in the car park were nicely presented. Flowers and seating along road opposite Church to Golf Course are to be commended. Hanging baskets on lampposts at Bridge were admired. Good tree planting on Tuam/Galway Road. Grounds and tree planting at Community School looked well.

Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

Work carried out on River walk is acknowledged. Suggest Nature conservation be included in any future plans.

Litter Control:

Litter control good with sufficient good quality litter bins. Bottle bank area well maintained.

Tidiness:

The centre of the town had an untidy appearance with weeds throughout the area, near the church, outside graveyard, graveyard overgrown. There were also weeds at Health Centre and in car park at Spar. The playing field and the area beside Barrack Street was overgrown and railings need repainting. One seat at river walk needs replacing.

Residential Areas:

Houses along approach roads were generally well maintained but a few needed attention. Houses opposite school presented to a high standard. Friar's Walk housing had an untidy appearance with many houses needing attention, there were also overgrown gardens in this area. A number of houses along the streets in the town centre were in poor condition.

Roads, Streets and Back Areas:

The road and paths at Friar's walk could do with resurfacing and the streets in the centre of the town were in poor condition. Verges needed to be trimmed. Many back areas needed attention also overgrowth behind gate entrances to fields. New footpaths looked well.

General Impression:

You have a lot of work to do, a planned approach with the support of the local community will no doubt show results. Good luck with your future plans.