

# Tidy Towns Competition 2004

## Adjudication Report

Centre: **Cloone Village**

Ref: **511**

County: **Leitrim**

Mark: **233**

Category: **A**

Date: **24/06/2004**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2004	Mark Awarded 2003
Overall Developmental Approach	50	32	32
The Built Environment	40	34	32
Landscaping	40	34	33
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	16	16
Litter Control	40	35	35
Tidiness	20	17	16
Residential Areas	30	27	27
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	29	28
General Impression	10	9	8
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>227</b>

### Overall Developmental Approach:

Thank you for your completed application form and map. They help set the scene for adjudication. The residents and business people of the village all deserve praise as indeed do the supportive official organizations.

The committee should now look at drawing up a 3/5 year development plan. This plan should give an overall picture of the village, enable you to draw up a yearly work programme, help you to decide on what should and can be achieved. It is good to note that the committee has a good working relationship with agencies and perhaps their help could be engaged in drawing up this plan ( 3-5 page document).

### The Built Environment:

Public and business premises were generally presented to a very high standard. Creegans and Cunniffe's public houses looked extremely well as is the Catholic Church and the Garda Barracks. Doherty's shop looked well and removal of the derelict sheds with the replacement of a wooden fence and landscaping adds greatly to the overall appearance of the village. The Post Office, Mc Keon's and Tiernans are still maintaining their high standards. The National School has beautiful coordinated floral displays and their all round presentation was very good. The area around the community centre would require some attention to detail.

## **Landscaping:**

The village has a lovely display of hanging baskets and flower tubes. There was very impressive shrubbery planted at Fr. Conefrey monument and the graveyard is nicely maintained. The flower border than lines the fence at the north end of the village was also well presented. The committee have taken on board recommendations from last years report and given attention to the grave yard behind Mc Kenna's , it was nicely maintained. There were also some very impressive floral displays on a number of premises in the village and the planted trees are maturing nicely.

## **Wildlife and Natural Amenities:**

The cooperation of the local gun club in this area is commended. You should take on board the recommendations of last years adjudication report and sign post this area. You should include this project in the recommended development plan.

## **Litter Control:**

Litter control was very good apart from some incidental litter located at the phone box in the centre of the village. Your clean up days, local community support and bins all contribute to this section.

## **Tidiness:**

The adjudicator was pleased with your efforts under this heading. You have taken on board suggestions made in last years report but as already stated the old school house would be more attractive on the approach road if it was put to come use.

The business people of Clonne must be commended on the up keep of their business premises, all shop fronts are nicely painted and maintained.

## **Residential Areas:**

The residential areas along all the approach roads were very well maintained Lake View estate is well presented with stone floral tubs and the trees are maturing nicely in this area. The houses on the Mohill approach are well presented with nice gardens and brightly painted houses .The is a good level of community involvement in Cloone and this is evident from the houses in the village abound with colour.

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

The approach roads were in general reasonable well presented although the Ballinamore approach required hedge trimming. Conditions in the back areas are much improved and there was little evidence of dumping .

The new signs when in place to the entrances of the village will be most welcome. The road surfaces and paving are very good and the new street lighting helps the overall look of Cloone.

## **General Impression:**

Your committee has made a determined effort to improve the appearance of the town and your progress is reflected in your marks awarded. You should now take on board the recommendation to develop a three to five year plan. Overall a fine entry and best wishes for your future progress.