

Tidy Towns Competition 2004

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Keshcarrigan**

Ref: **99**

County: **Leitrim**

Mark: **184**

Category: **A**

Date: **25/06/2004**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2004	Mark Awarded 2003
Overall Developmental Approach	50	28	28
The Built Environment	40	26	24
Landscaping	40	27	25
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	17	17
Litter Control	40	24	22
Tidiness	20	14	14
Residential Areas	30	18	17
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	22	22
General Impression	10	8	8
TOTAL MARK	300	184	177

Overall Developmental Approach:

Thank you for your completed application form and map, Your three year plan must be commended, however, it is equally important when setting goals to outline how and by whom these should be achieved.

It is good to note that you have both Local Authority and voluntary support and that you involve the local schools in your activities.

The Built Environment:

Commercial and private properties were presented well and improvements continue to take place. The Old VEC building is in urgent need of attention and an alternative use for this building should be sought. Both Cisses, Mc Keons and Gerties's are nicely maintained with beautiful arrays of flowers. The building taking place at Mc Keon's will be a welcome addition when completed and there is a nice colour scheme in place.

Landscaping:

The marina area and picnic areas is nicely landscaped. The monument on the Carrick on Shannon road provides a nice feature although the area was in need of some attention in terms of weeding. The Fair Green garden was of course wonderful and weeding was in progress on day of

adjudication. The area at the old Technical School is maturing nicely and the amenity area is a lovely resource for both tourists and the local community but do pay attention to detail in term of weeding. The monument in commemoration of the 1798 Rebellion is nicely landscaped and it was nice to see that many properties and houses enhanced their properties with tubs, pots and window boxes.

Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

Your committee have an important role in preserving the natural environs of the village and the committee have started to acknowledge this. You should now seek the help of the schools and local experts to fully optimize your potential under this heading. The committee should take on board recommendations made in last years report and signpost wildlife and habitats.

Litter Control:

Litter control was of a high standard , with only a little disposable litter at the picnic area in Fair Green garden. Congratulations.

Tidiness:

Keshcarrigen is generally of a tidy appearance although the area around the bottle bank and the new monument required weeding. Attention to detail is now required

Residential Areas:

The Lake view Estate will be lovely when completed and the stone wall being erected to the front of these is in keeping with the village. The high standard of landscaping at An Gairdin Estate, currently under construction, if continued will be asset to the committee under this heading. The gardens in the old national school have a wonderful display.

Roads, Streets and Back Areas:

The approach roads looked well and presented to a good standard. The Carrick- on Shannon approach whilst not up to the same standard was in the main tidy looking, however as already mentioned the area surrounding the monument was in need of some attention. The shopping complex is well presented and green area is trimmed and tidy.

General Impression:

The continued hard work and motivation of the committee are commendable and their perserverance will see Keshcarrigan optimize its full potential in the National Tidy Towns Competition.