

Tidy Towns Competition 2004

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Tulsk**

Ref: **92**

County: **Roscommon**

Mark: **192**

Category: **A**

Date: **21/06/2004**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2004	Mark Awarded 2003
Overall Developmental Approach	50	39	40
The Built Environment	40	25	25
Landscaping	40	24	24
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	20	21
Litter Control	40	26	24
Tidiness	20	12	12
Residential Areas	30	19	18
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	21	21
General Impression	10	6	6
TOTAL MARK	300	192	191

Overall Developmental Approach:

Welcome to Tidy towns 2004 and thank you for entry form. The Tulsk Tidy Towns has put together a very comprehensive and structured plan for the next few years and you are to be complimented on your implementation of the plan to date. The last year has seen a lot of improvements in the town and it seems to have paid off. The adjudicator has noted that a lot of work is delayed due to the sewerage scheme. Well done!

The Built Environment:

The Heritage Centre is an asset to the town and compliments the amazing wealth of Celtic heritage in the area. The recently completed handball court is welcomed and the freshly painted church and clubhouse admired.

Landscaping:

Landscaping at the church and in particular at the mart was admired and well maintained. The flowers sown at the Macra Hall and the trees sown at the cemetery are to be commended. Generally the green areas of the village are well maintained.

Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

A list of flora and fauna would be encouraged in next years entry. It may be an idea to identify wildlife common to the area and erect a sign detailing same – this would be of interest to both locals and tourists.

Litter Control:

It is great to see the schools support the Tidy Towns campaign and the implementation of litter rota's. The litter awareness day is welcomed. Some litter was noted over the bridge on the Westport side of the village.

Tidiness:

The acknowledgement of the problem of derelict buildings in the village is noted and hopefully this can be rectified prior to next years adjudication. The site across from the Mart is overgrown and there is a continued problem with the untidy forecourt areas of many of the commercial premises.

Residential Areas:

Most residential properties are presented to a high standard, a few still need encouragement. Continue your efforts in encouraging residents to maintain hedges and gardens.

Roads, Streets and Back Areas:

The new Victorian lights are a welcome addition to the streetscape in the village. The adjudicator understands that there is a problem maintaining the approach roads to the village due to the laying of water pipes. The removal of some neon signs is welcomed but there is a continued problem with too many unsightly signs for commercial premises on approach roads.

General Impression:

Allthough based at a busy intersection, Tusk is a fine village and your efforts are evident. Hopefully, after some of the public facilities have been completed further work can be carried out. Well done.