

# Tidy Towns Competition 2004

## Adjudication Report

Centre: **Annestown**

Ref: **507**

County: **Waterford**

Mark: **217**

Category: **A**

Date: **29/06/2004**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2004	Mark Awarded 2003
Overall Developmental Approach	50	33	32
The Built Environment	40	29	28
Landscaping	40	28	28
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	19	19
Litter Control	40	34	33
Tidiness	20	16	15
Residential Areas	30	24	23
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	27	26
General Impression	10	7	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>211</b>

### Overall Developmental Approach:

The tremendous work carried out by your residents with the assistance of your County Council and FAS was very evident again this year on adjudication day. As usual, the village looked lovely and reflects great credit on your community and its supporters. Thank you indeed for all the information sent with the entry form and for the map which was most useful. The document produced by the Annestown Development Group makes very interesting reading as does your list of achievements to date and your plans for the future. Every village has its strengths and weaknesses and that is what makes the Tidy Towns Competition so interesting.

### The Built Environment:

Annestown does not have very many public buildings. Nevertheless your Church and Sports Centre were very nicely presented again this year and reflect great credit on those involved in their maintenance and preservation. The car park at the beach and lime kiln is being maintained at a very high standard and great credit is due to your Local Authority in this respect.

### Landscaping:

Wonderful work has been done again this year in the presentation of the village. On adjudication day, it was a blaze of colour with beautiful presentations in terms of window boxes, tubs of flowers

and floral displays outside many houses. The area around the entrance from the Dunhill Road seems to have improved somewhat and the Sports Club is a very fine amenity which would lend itself to the judicious planting of trees and shrubs which would give you some colour on an all year round basis. Particularly in Annestown, the planting of flowers and similar displays is to be actively encouraged. Nevertheless the planting of trees and shrubs are for the future and, in the event, posterity will thank you for them.

### **Wildlife and Natural Amenities:**

You do not appear to have undertaken a project under this heading this year. As last year, therefore, it can only be again suggested that you continue to explore ways and means of developing a project under this heading which would also be instrumental in getting you additional marks.

### **Litter Control:**

The whole village was litter free on adjudication day. This is a wonderful achievement and great credit is due to all concerned. Some minor littering however was to be seen in the car park, mainly in the surround of the litter bins and was probably due to high winds blowing the litter from the bins into their immediate surrounds. Do monitor this constantly as it is an important part of the competition.

### **Tidiness:**

The village again looked lovely this year and the manner in which it was presented reflects greatly on your residents and their legendary interest in the preservation of their environment. Well done to all concerned.

### **Residential Areas:**

Houses are being maintained to a very high standard and their colourful appearance together with their floral displays were much admired. In Annestown this type of individual effort is the backbone of your entry and great credit is again due to all involved.

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

Approach roads are being very well maintained with much evidence of cutting and mowing. Village signs were nicely presented and road surfaces and pathways are being well maintained which, again, reflects great credit on your County Council.

### **General Impression:**

Annestown has always been presented in a lovely manner and this year is no exception. The wonderful colour displays, the maintenance of your houses and the preservation of your walls and buildings reflect great credit again on your community. It is always a pleasure to visit Annestown and the Adjudicator looks forward to returning again next year to see further progress made. If possible, try to identify a few projects which could be carried out under the different headings of the competition, e.g. Landscaping, Wildlife and Natural Amenities, the Built Environment etc. which could be instrumental in gaining you additional marks. Most importantly however, continue to maintain what you already have which is the backbone of your entry.