

# Tidy Towns Competition 2007

## Adjudication Report

Centre: **Kildysart** Ref: **71**  
County: **Clare** Mark: **230**  
Category: **B** Date(s): **23/07/2007**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2007
Overall Development Approach	50	36
The Built Environment	50	33
Landscaping	50	30
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	50	19
Litter Control	50	30
Waste Minimisation	20	4
Tidiness	30	16
Residential Areas	40	25
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	50	30
General Impression	10	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>230</b>

### Overall Development Approach:

Thank you for your excellent application and sketch map, which allowed the adjudicator to identify areas within Kildysert and its surrounds. Plans were noted and the action items are all very achievable which is the main objective of any plan going forward. The interaction with Clare County Council and the greater Kildysert community and other relevant agencies is important as it allows you to access resources when required.

### The Built Environment:

Kildysert has progressed over the last few years. Much infrastructural improvements, the majority in keeping with the original streetscape, have taken place and this has had a positive effect as the town has taken on a new look and was very busy on the day visited. Isn't it good to see locals coming back to local shops? What a wonderful and impressive landmark in the square area. Credit is due to the Kildysert community that such a fine structure has been put in place. Making it a truly wonderful local point in the community. Public buildings which the adjudicators noted were the School, the Garda station and the Health Centre, were well presented. The following premises deserved to be mentioned for their wonderful colour and maintenance: Fergus Credit Union, J Chambers, J O' Dea's, Mitchells Corner House and Kevin Bane craft shop. The Church was also admired.

### Landscaping:

The square area has been beautifully landscaped. It has been maintained to the highest standard and was greatly admired at the time of the adjudicators visit. Colourful flower displays in containers and hanging baskets strike a wonderful balance throughout Kildysert. Well done to all concerned.

### Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

What a truly wonderful area you have on your doorstep. A haven for wildlife. The marina is a great amenity for locals and visitors alike. However, some colourful planting would add to its overall look.

**Litter Control:**

Litter control was very good on adjudication day. Once again one has to admire your commitment to good litter control and it is obvious that this is getting through to the local community both young and old.

**Waste Minimisation:**

This is a reasonably new area, which has to be addressed under the National Tidy Town's Competition. The race against waste is a campaign in raising awareness of the litter and waste management practices. It is incumbent on us all to embrace this in light of our poor record among the wider European community. The Bring Bank centre was not up to standard in this category with black bags and boxes on view etc.

**Tidiness:**

In relation to the commercial premises in the town there was virtually no fly posting to be seen which is very commendable for a town the size of Kildysert. Road surfaces on approach roads were in need of attention, newer surfaces etc particularly on the Killrush road. The community hall needs attention a complete makeover, painting etc would be advised. Along with the allied Irish bank, rusty gate etc.

**Residential Areas:**

The new housing development Dun Glenanna was very much admired along with the terraced houses on Quay Road and Coolmean. Congratulations to owners for obvious pride in their homes and Kildysert in general.

**Roads, Streets and Back Areas:**

All approach roads were inviting. The very unique Failte signs were admired e.g. "Kildysert a fisherman's haven". Again, as previously mentioned some road surfaces need attention, particularly the Killrush road.

**General Impression:**

Kildysert has made great progress to date in the competition and has the potential to do even better. Keep up the excellent work.