

# Tidy Towns Competition 2007

## *Adjudication Report*

Centre: **Lislevane** Ref: **684**  
County: **Cork (West)** Mark: **260**  
Category: **A** Date(s): **29/06/2007**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2007
Overall Development Approach	50	42
The Built Environment	50	33
Landscaping	50	36
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	50	22
Litter Control	50	30
Waste Minimisation	20	11
Tidiness	30	20
Residential Areas	40	25
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	50	32
General Impression	10	9
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>260</b>

### **Overall Development Approach:**

Lislevane is most welcome to the Tidy Towns Competition 2007. Thank you for your detailed entry form and supporting map which were of great assistance to the adjudicator. You are commended for your continued co-operation with enabling agencies like FÁS and Cork County Council and the inclusion of the school children where possible. At this stage in the competition you should consider the inclusion of the church and the school, as they are, essentially part of the village. Do you try to recruit new committee members that could alleviate the workload on your current quota of three?

### **The Built Environment:**

Barryroe Co-op and Texaco are neat and tidy in their presentation. The Post Office looked magnificent in dark blue and the bay trees in massive terracotta pots were greatly admired. Sextons and Wheltons both looked well. The interesting plaque in Irish and English was noted at 'The Girls' and similarly the Wheel was pristine in its presentation.

### **Landscaping:**

It was refreshing to note a theme of dense red bedding plants featuring throughout the public areas of the village and this gives a sense of unity and careful planning. The green looks fantastic, loaded with overflowing milk cans providing a kaleidoscope of colour amidst the greenery. The hanging baskets here were also admired. You have incorporated a good mix of trees, shrubs and seasonal planting throughout Lislevane is this is commended.

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

You mention in your entry that Lislevane is now part of the 'Seven Heads Walk' - please provide more

information as to the significance of its inclusion and its impact on your wildlife and natural amenities. The inclusion of information pamphlets would be of great assistance to the adjudicator in the years to come. Previous adjudicators have suggested that you conduct a wildlife survey and perhaps this is a project the school children could participate in?

#### **Litter Control:**

It is good to see that the children support your committee and that they form an active part of your litter patrols. This is one of the most important parts of the Tidy Towns Competition and the hard-working children of Lislevane will be the envy of many other entrants in the 2007 competition! However, Lislevane is quite small and this makes litter control important as a few stray pieces can really detract from an otherwise well presented village. Two pieces of litter were noted on the Clonakilty Road, one on the Dunworley Road and a single piece was also spotted in the graveyard.

#### **Waste Minimisation:**

The recycling point was noted and is no doubt a busy amenity in Lislevane. You state on your entry form that litter is now being segregated within the graveyard and this is commendable. It appears that there are a number of dumping areas within the graveyard and one 'official' one – perhaps signage here would be of assistance with one area for general dumping and one for organic material?

#### **Tidiness:**

The black fingerposts and public seating combined with the themed planting in the village give a distinct feeling of order, careful planning and are crisp and fresh in their presentation. The faded Statoil sign detracts from an otherwise well presented forecourt. Some weeds were noted behind the postcard display. Finally, you are lucky enough to have a pump in the village and with a little TLC it could be restored to its former glory.

#### **Residential Areas:**

A number of residences on the Courtmacsharry Road were greatly admired. The small cottage in the village with wooden boxes planted with burgundy and lemon looked fantastic. Vailima was fresh in lime green and the gardens were immaculate.

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

The welcome stones are an effective way of defining the boundary of Lislevane and themselves are tidy in appearance. A grassy verge on the Courtmacsharry Road was a little overgrown and should be strimmed regularly. As mentioned earlier the areas around the pump requires some attention and should be drawn into the overall fabric of Lislevane.

#### **General Impression:**

Lislevane is progressing well in the Tidy Towns Competition and the village looked immaculate on the day of adjudication. Please consider including the church and school in the coming years, as this will further enhance your progress.