

Tidy Towns Competition 2008

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Campile** Ref: **120**
County: **Wexford** Mark: **225**
Category: **B** Date(s): **03/07/2008**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2008
Overall Development Approach	50	28
The Built Environment	50	35
Landscaping	50	33
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	50	20
Litter Control	50	32
Waste Minimisation	20	3
Tidiness	30	15
Residential Areas	40	26
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	50	27
General Impression	10	6
TOTAL MARK	400	225

Overall Development Approach:

The adjudicator would like to welcome Campile to the 2008 TidyTowns Competition. Thank you for your entry documentation and the two useful maps. The adjudicator appreciates the great work of your TidyTowns Committee in the work that you do to make Campile a better place for everyone. Work like this is never easy and can frequently be frustrating. You enjoy good support from the businesses in the village and the relevant authorities and that is a great basis for future progress. The School talks and the production of the information sheets are excellent worth while initiatives that could be repeated each year. Your adjudicator understands the issue of the School and Church being located so far away. Do remember that the TidyTowns Handbook gives great information and suggestions. Both new Committees and those who have been involved in the competition for some time will find this booklet really useful. You might consider the preparation of a 3 Year TidyTowns Plan for Campile that would guide your work over the period 2009 – 2011.

The Built Environment:

Work on the Ball Alley did not appear to have progressed. The grass here had been cut however but not taken away which gave the area a rather untidy appearance. Hopefully in the year ahead some of the present derelict buildings both large and small will be restored to a new use. The larger derelict buildings do not look well in general. Even a cosmetic coat of paint would make a big difference to some of them. It is important that the HSE plays its role with other organisations involved in TidyTowns in Campile. The presentation of the Railway Station car park left a lot to be desired. The timber fencing needed to be painted and ideally the car park surfaced. The angled wall here needed to be painted also. Litter was noted here also. The white building at the entrance was much admired as it was spotlessly presented. The Parochial Hall looked quite well and the black and gold colour scheme of Whelans was much admired. Opposite the Enniscorthy road the large three storey building needed to be painted. Further along the street the Hart's colour scheme is really excellent and the blue and white combine really well. A number of road boundary walls needed to be painted

Landscaping:

The memorial and the riverside Park area were attractively presented and the young trees by the river were admired. The continued use of hanging baskets and window boxes added attractive colour to the village. The landscaping between Dunphys and the Hall looked quite well. The landscaping at trees at the estates did much to soften the impact of the houses.

Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

The weirs at the river Park and the Ducks and Pheasants represent good work on your behalf in this adjudication category. Well done on getting involved in the School Garden project. This is the sort of initiative that can give children a life long interest in the environment. Perhaps in the years ahead you will find further wildlife projects in the village perhaps involving the river area.

Litter Control:

The Bring Centre was visited and the adjudicator is of the view that this location is not ideal as it is rather hidden away. The official signage was not present and neither was a fingerpost in place pointing to the location. Litter was present under the units and in the general area. The School litter patrols are an excellent idea – how often do they operate? Litter was present in the Railway Station car park and on the verge just before the Station on the approach to Campile. Some litter was also present at the Ball Alley

Waste Minimisation:

Unfortunately the Waste Minimisation page was omitted from your entry and the adjudicator cannot therefore judge your progress under this adjudication category.

Tidiness:

The Tidiness page was also omitted from your Entry Form. Here are obvious tidiness issues that arise in regard to the area around the various derelict properties. The large open area opposite the Tool Hire premises looked a little untidy and a short boundary wall needed to be painted.

Residential Areas:

The various estates were visited and a good effort was evident from the residents of all of these areas. In your Entry Form you did not identify your new projects under this category for 2008. On the Arthurstown road some concrete block road boundary walls needed to be plastered and painted. At the terrace of houses opposite Londis some grass areas needed to be cut and the very large grass area at Abbey View was much admired. At the parking area in Shelbourne Place a lot of prolific weed and grass growth was noted at the car parking area. The long white building opposite the entrance would be improved if painted. At Sliabh Coillte some of the tree stakes were far too low for the size of tree and tree damage may result.

Roads, Streets and Back Areas:

The issue of the path from the village to the School is understood. The presentation of the approach roads was good.

General Impression:

It was a great pleasure for your adjudicator to visit Campile and we wish you well with your projects for next year.