

Tidy Towns Competition 2009

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Carrigadrohid-Killardrish** Ref: **1808**
County: **Cork(South)** Mark: **218**
Category: **A** Date(s): **10/06/2009**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2009
Overall Development Approach	50	26
The Built Environment	50	28
Landscaping	50	29
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	50	20
Litter Control	50	25
Waste Minimisation	20	8
Tidiness	30	20
Residential Areas	40	28
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	50	27
General Impression	10	7
TOTAL MARK	400	218

Overall Development Approach:

Thank you for the typed up entry form. I note you have 14 members in your committee and you meet every two weeks which shows wonderful commitment. There is great community pride displayed by the local people who help with clean ups. Canovee GAA runs a number of events for to raise funds for the tidy town committee. You have an impressive amount of material in your submission which shows that the committee is quite active. The Carrigadrohid & Killinardrish Bulletin is a great way of getting your message across to the community. It is positive to find that you have good contact with Canovee School. It is pleasing to find that the competition has stimulated environmental awareness and consequently your area is enhanced by participation. Thank you for the map of the area. It is worthwhile to communicate with schools, as you do, and you could encourage and assist them to go for the green flag status. You, therefore, have a good approach to the competition and thank you for the support material. You have quite ambitious plans.

The Built Environment:

The Grotto is an imposing structure and nestles peacefully in that site, and it has a fresh appearance. The foodstore and post office looked smart and clean and the Carrig Inn has been tastily coloured. I must say that the derelict house in the village is expertly camouflaged and fits in nicely with the rest of the village. The castle is the dominant building in the village and I look forward to the implementing of the restoration of it.

Landscaping:

The beautiful traditional stone walls and mature trees show off the village in a natural style and show the place to be naturally picturesque. It is delightful to find some new stone walls are built in the same style as the older ones. Congratulations on the preservation of the old water pump. It is good to see Canovee GAA has some

tasty displays of landscaping in their car park. The business houses and private houses have some good landscaping that enhances the village. The wall entrance newly done is a great feature at the entrance to the riverside walk. I saw the new wall near the pump – well done. The river is absolutely beautiful with spectacular views along the river banks.

Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

The amenity area is a wonderful facility for locals and visitors. I enjoyed the pictorial display on butterflies that are found around the village. There is an abundance of wildlife in all those trees and walls plus along the river bank. The photographs and descriptions of the butterflies I are splendid. I note the committee has encouraged children of the local school to participate in wildlife surveys.

Litter Control:

It is good to see that the litter is kept under control in the woodland area and you have a good approach to litter control, and I did not find only a small bit of litter in the village. The extract from the Evening Echo makes a clear statement of your effort with litter.

Waste Minimisation:

It is good to see that the village took part in the spring clean up with litter segregated into recycling bins. I note you are encouraging the people to use the recycling facilities in Macroom.

Tidiness:

There was a clean and fresh appearance to the village. Weed control was good with no graffiti in sight.

Residential Areas:

There is an array of beautiful houses around the village with great shows of trees, shrubs, flowers and lawns. Well done to Leaside Nurseries for the provision of hanging baskets for the residences

Roads, Streets and Back Areas:

All the roads are in great condition and the signposts are clear and distinct. It is most unusual to find that the three main approach roads each have a different area engineer which surely causes some difficulties, but you appear to be making progress and great to learn that local stone has now been sourced and your signs will soon be in place.

General Impression:

You are making a determined effort to gradually improve your area. It is obvious that you are taking good care on planning matters. The pictures tell their own story about progress – Carrigadrohid Inn old and new, the wall at the pump and the way you changed the derelict house. Congratulations on a very good effort