Tidy Towns Competition 2014

Adjudication Report

Centre: Rosegreen Ref: 569

County: Tipperary(South) Mark: 208

Category: **B** Date(s): 16/06/2014

| | Maximum Mark | Mark Awarded 2014 |
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| Community Involvement & Planning | 60 | 31 |
| Built Environment and Streetscape | 50 | 26 |
| Landscaping and Open Spaces | 50 | 31 |
| Wildlife, Habitats and Natural Amenities | 50 | 12 |
| Sustainable Waste and Resource Management | 50 | 7 |
| Tidiness and Litter Control | 90 | 50 |
| Residential Streets & Housing Areas | 50 | 26 |
| Approach Roads, Streets & Lanes | 50 | 25 |
| TOTAL MARK | 450 | 208 |

Community Involvement & Planning / Rannpháirtíocht an Phobail & Pleanáil:

Rosegreen is welcome to the National Tidy Towns Competition 2014. Thank you for your entry which includes a completed application form, photographs and a numbered village map outlining your projects, all of which were of great assistance to the adjudicator during the visit. Numerically, you have a strong committee for a village of your size and regular meetings. You have certainly enlisted the assistance of a fine range of similarly interested agencies and groups ranging from local businesses and residences to your local schools and Tipperary County Council. Your five year village plan is simply produced and outlines some clear objectives. It would be well worth creating a monitoring chart to establish your progress on an annual basis. Well done on using Facebook to promote your cause and on your various efforts to raise funds.

Built Environment and Streetscape / An Timpeallacht Thógtha agus Sráid-dreacha:

The clean-up at the handball alley is much improved and perhaps you should now consider a story board here on the history and tradition of handball and indeed horse racing. Your village is famous worldwide in this sport. Maybe you could also consider some small development in this regard at the old forge on the Cashel Road. The Church and burial ground look excellent and opposite the Pansies and the shop and filling station create a busy atmosphere. The school and community hall are excellent presentations at an important location in the village centre. Improvements at the 19th Century cottage are a fine visual asset and the painting scheme here is impressive.

Landscaping and Open Spaces / Tírdhreachú agus Spásanna Oscailte:

The village has a fine range of linear open spaces and generally these green areas are very well maintained and provide a very attractive ambience to your village. New flower beds were admired in a number of locations. New tree planting of native trees is excellent; perhaps you should also consider cluster groves of trees in some of the larger green areas. The lawnmower was in full flow on the day of adjudication.

Wildlife, Habitats and Natural Amenities / Fiadhúlra, Gnáthóga agus Taitneamhachtaí Nádúrtha:

Well done on procuring the expertise of Liam Burke to advise you on this agenda. This advice will no doubt give focus and direction to your development in the coming years. The results from the bird box and bat box project will be interesting and the school is to be commended on this venture.

Sustainable Waste and Resource Management / Bainistiú Acmhainní agus Dramhaíola Inbhuanaithe:

It is encouraging to read that the first Green Flag earned by your school was on waste management and that the

second was on energy. You should consider a survey of the residences and businesses in your community with a view to long term waste reduction initiatives.

Tidiness and Litter Control / Slachtmhaireacht agus Rialú Bruscair:

Progress in this category has been very effective and the village certainly was litter free. Your participation in the An Taisce Spring Clean and regular patrols is having successful results. The clean-up at the handball alley is a fine improvement. On the New Inn entrance road a storage yard could be visually improved by the addition of some screening at this site. Presentation at the Wee Chippy van has improved. The Dr. Vincent O'Brien sculpture is an important, visual, focal point in a prominent location in your village and improvements to the presentation here are very successful.

Residential Streets & Housing Areas / Sráideanna Cónaithe & Ceantair Tithíochta:

The environs of the village contain a number of well-presented individual residences and gardens and many were admired. We note you have requested a name sign for Rosemount Park from the County Council and hope you will be successful in this regard. Landscape improvements here are a fine addition and grass cutting to the substantial green area was taking place during the visit. The addition of flower beds and tree planting has enhanced this area.

Approach Roads, Streets & Lanes / Bóithre Isteach, Sráideanna & Lánaí:

The Clonmel Road is magnificent in its presentation enclosed by fine hedgerows, stone walls and mature trees. On the Cashel Road, an attractive winding entrance road is being enhanced by a nearly developed grassed road margin opposite the nicely maintained Country Mice Montessori School. The Rosegreen committee is organizing successfully and we wish you well in your future endeavors.