

*"Caring for our environment"*

Centre : **KILDORRERY**  
County : **CORK**  
Category : **B**

**Results**

Date of Adjudication : 04-07-2001

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2001	Mark Awarded 2000
Overall Developmental Approach	50	31	31
The Built Environment	40	26	25
Landscaping	40	29	28
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	11	11
Litter Control	40	26	24
Tidiness	20	14	13
Residential Areas	30	23	22
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	21	21
General Impression	10	7	7
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>182</b>

## **Kildorrery, County Cork**

### **OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH**

In working with the relevant public bodies, your Community Development Association is working on the right lines to achieve further progress for your Tidy Towns project. The village is located in fine countryside and an impressive rural landscape is visible from all areas of the village.

### **THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

The standard of buildings throughout the village, both private and commercial, is very good. The Catholic church (which was undergoing renovation at the time of adjudication) is an impressive building. Public buildings such as the Garda Station and the Post Office were very neatly presented. The shops and licensed premises in the village were all well maintained. As has been mentioned in previous reports, the retention of traditional shopfronts enhances the overall image of the village considerably.

### **LANDSCAPING**

A considerable amount of work on landscaping has been done by the community in various areas of the village. The tree planting on the Mallow road is a good development and will have a beneficial long term effect. On this road the flower beds, which have been put in place would need to be replanted. The tree planting at the Killmallock end of the village looks well; also the green area and flower/shrub planting and picnic table in this area of the village is excellently maintained. In the main street of the village, the tree planting, which has been carried out, looks well. The area where trees have been planted on the Mitchelstown road has very high grass and weed growth, which takes from the tree planting effect and this would need to be attended to. The landscaping on the Fermoy road looked very well.

### **WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES**

Being located in such a fine rural setting, it should be possible to develop this aspect of your programme. It is noted that appropriate species have been planted but it should be possible to progress further. In this regard, it would be advisable to seek specialist advice to see what the best approach would be. But the terrain in the vicinity of the village does lend itself to encouraging and developing wildlife and natural amenities.

### **LITTER CONTROL**

Steps which have been taken by the community to deal with litter have obviously brought about improvement. However the Community Development Association and the entire community will need to be constantly on the look out for litter. It is a persistent problem for all communities big and small and

can only be controlled by the determined efforts of an entire community.

## **TIDINESS**

There was generally a good level of tidiness throughout the village. The area around the Post Office was extremely tidy. Also the area in the vicinity of the busy Dairygold Cooperative premises was quite tidy. The main street of the village was also very clean and tidy. The community should now maintain this effort for the future.

## **RESIDENTIAL AREAS**

Householders in and around the village obviously take a great pride in their houses and therefore a very good standard prevails throughout. Window boxes, hanging baskets etc. have been used with great effect in many cases and this gives much colour to the village. Houses and gardens on many approach roads are very impressive and obviously well cared for. Residents in Ardán uí Briain – Cinneide, O' Brien/Kennedy Terrace have presented their houses and gardens very well.

## **ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS**

The standard of approach roads to the village was mixed and some aspects would need to be watched, for example on the Mallow road, the place name sign for the village was almost completely covered with grass and weed growth; the sign in question was also in need of repainting. The Killmallock approach road was good but sections of the footpath along were in need of repair. The stone wall on this road looks very well. Also on the Mitchelstown approach road looks well and the new footpath along here is beneficial. On this approach however there were rusted traffic signs and poles and these would need to be attended to. The new gates and stone walls at the entrance to Kildorrery GAA Field look well; work is still in progress on a stone wall near the entrance to this amenity. The Fermoy approach again looked well but here too there were rusted traffic poles and one speed limit sign was missing altogether from one pole. Also the place name sign for the village on this road was in need of repainting and the poles for this sign were very rusted.

## **GENERAL IMPRESSION**

Overall the community is making a good effort and with the benefit of a coordinated approach, further progress can be made. As already indicated, this village has a very pleasant location and a good foundation has been laid by the community for further enhancement. If the Community Development Association continues to get the support and perhaps increased support from the whole community, then the task for the future can be made easier.