

Tidy Towns Competition 2014

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Delmege Park** Ref: **2129**
County: **Limerick** Mark: **183**
Category: **A** Date(s): **20/06/2014**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2014
Community Involvement & Planning	60	23
Built Environment and Streetscape	50	24
Landscaping and Open Spaces	50	24
Wildlife, Habitats and Natural Amenities	50	16
Sustainable Waste and Resource Management	50	5
Tidiness and Litter Control	90	41
Residential Streets & Housing Areas	50	25
Approach Roads, Streets & Lanes	50	25
TOTAL MARK	450	183

Community Involvement & Planning / Rannpháirtíocht an Phobail & Pleanáil:

Thank you for the filled up entry form and map of the area. I note you have 9 committee members and around 16 meetings are held annually. You are getting support from Limerick City Council, Moyross Resident's Alliance and Limerick City Taxi. Unfortunately there are no shops or factories in the Delmege Area to give a bit of financial support. It is good to find that you have contacts with the local soccer club. Yes it is a positive step to get the neighbours together.

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

The built environment is mainly about public buildings as distinct from private houses and all you really have in that context is the Grotto which is well maintained. It is great to see the house turned into a monastery and to see the Friar out playing with the children.

Landscaping and Open Spaces / Tírdhreachú agus Spásanna Oscailte:

The grass is well maintained in all the local parks. I loved your small St Francis Memorial Community Garden which was blessed recently by Bishop Conn Murray, Bishop of Limerick. It is nicely secured with the sturdy fencing, and good to hear that this was paid for by Limerick City Council under the guidance of Paul Foley. I admired the water feature, glass house, public seating, fruit and apple trees and pleasing to hear that some of the produce is shared around the small estate. I had a go with the little swing and it was very relaxing. A local man told me that they do not get much support and was particularly disappointed with the regeneration, people felt that they could have left some houses standing that they eventually pulled down. They feel somewhat neglected and would like for someone from the Limerick City Council to visit them.

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

There is an abundance of wildlife in this area that borders on rural countryside, and you could enlist the assistance of some people that are interested in the flora and fauna of the area and tell us all about it. I admired the ducks that were merrily swimming along in your little pond, and it is unfortunate that the fox got in and killed your hens.

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

We see you collect the water from the gutters and use it in your garden. Composting is the way forward and you could further educate the people on how best to do this, by for instance, holding a workshop that demonstrates that to achieve the best results we must mix green kitchen waste with brown waste like hedge clippings, and also by turning it occasionally; more information is available on this from the county council. Compost reduces the amount

of waste going to landfill, and produces good material for the vegetable and flower gardens, plus it cuts down on spending money on such like material.

Tidiness and Litter Control / Slachtmhaireacht agus Rialú Bruscair:

You were unfortunate that part of your wall fell in the storm and well done for repairing it and we are informed that you had to finance this from your own resources. Delmege Park was clean and orderly. I also found that you had to get new sheets of glass for your green house. I feel you could get a bit of support for this little garden / park which keeps the people together.

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

I was impressed with the quality of the houses in your estate; I did not realise that they are private houses along by the little garden. I note in last year's report that you had a lot of graffiti, and it is pleasing to find that is reduced this year.

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

The roads are in good condition and the well kept grass margins make for pleasant and safe driving conditions. We admired some mature trees in the green areas.