

Celbridge Tidy Towns local competitions - results 2012

Awards night Thursday 8th November

Results:-

Large Estates

1st – Primrose Gate

2nd – Hazelhatch Park

3rd – Abbey Farm & Oldtown Mill

Medium Estates

1st Temple Manor

2nd Ballygoran View/Court

3rd Celbridge Abbey

Small Estates

1st Simmonstown Park

2nd Killadoon Park

3rd Grattan Court

Overall winner of Tidy Estates – Temple Manor

Best Commercial Flower Display

1st Castletown Inn

2nd Abbey Lodge

3rd Mucky Duck

Best Shopfront

1st Michelangelo – Larry O’Toole trophy

2nd Absolutely Fabulous Flowers

3rd Walsh’s Pharmacy

Artistic Endeavour Award

St. Patrick’s Church

Large Estates

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In all cases there was evidence of care, neatness and effort by residents to improve and maintain the appearance of their estates. Sincere congratulations and compliments to all.

Abbey Farm

80

Tree surroundings cleared made a nice impression – houses well presented – a little litter – grass not collected after cut. The entrance forms a pleasing aspect and overall impression is of a well maintained tidy estate.

Beatty Park

78

Overall the estate looked cared for and litter free.

Grass not collected on green after cut and this took from its overall appearance. The houses are all well presented. Well done to all involved.

Castle Village

76

This large estate while neat and litter free did not benefit from not having its grass collected after it had been cut. But well done to all residents for the overall high standard. Could benefit from more planting of shrubs and flowers.

Castletown

74

Lovely flower presentations at entrance .On the day we visited we saw a small amount of litter and some graffiti .Overall care and effort was in evidence and in particular we noted the well kept grass verges. Well done to all.

Crodaun Forest Park

76

Grass not picked up after cutting which left the greens looking untidy . The hedges tend to obscure houses in some cases but again there is evidence that many individual residents take great pride in their estate. Well done all.

Hazelhatch Park

85

This large is maintained to a very high standard ,with all green areas kept to a very high standard. On the day we visited looked spotless and well cared for. Well done to all concerned.

Oldtown Mill**80**

This large estate is well presented and care is evident in its maintenance. The greens are well maintained and it has great appearance except for some minor litter and graffiti. Well done to all concerned.

Primrose Gate**86**

This large estate really impressed us on the day we visited. There was great care taken in its maintenance and presentation. It is neat, clean and of an overall very high standard. We congratulate all involved in producing such high standards.

Raphael's Manor**77**

The entrance areas showed effort and care and the grass verges are kept to a high standard. The grass was not collected after being cut and this took away from the overall impression of the estate. We observed a little litter but overall a bright and neat appearance.

St Patrick's Park**69**

This large estate showed an improvement in its presentation. However as the grass was not collected on big green this left it looking very unsightly on the day we visited. Individual houses showed great effort. Well done to all concerned.

The Grove**73**

On the day we visited the grass had been cut but not collected in some areas. Also some grass verges by green area were neglected but also there was evidence of care and effort .

Wolstan Abbey**78**

This large estate showed evidence of effort in its maintenance and care. On the day we visited we saw lots of colour in the individual house presentations. We saw a little litter but overall there was a high standard of care.

Wolstan Haven**78**

This estate was neat and well kept and worthy of praise. Well done to all on high standard of individual house presentation. It has a bright and pleasant appearance. Well done.!

Medium Estates

1st Temple Manor – also overall winner

2nd Ballygoran View/Court

3rd Celbridge Abbey

Ballygoran View/ Court: 87.5

Overall a very impressive presentation. There was evidence of attention to comments made last year. One shrubbery at rear of estate needed attention at time of visit.

Ballymakealy/Springfield 50

The appearance of the estate would be enhanced by more community involvement. Weeds at kerbs and unkempt grass verges took greatly from the appearance. Flowerbeds at entrance needed attention. Heavy littering was a problem. Some lovely houses and gardens were admired.

Beatty Grove 76

The entrance to this estate is very impressive and well maintained. Further into the estate grass verges needed attention and weeds were growing at kerbs. Some recent litter was evident. Roadway and wall at back where green space joins Willowbrook needs attention.

Celbridge Abbey 83

The estate has a lovely entrance and was very well maintained. A small number of grass verges needed attention. The judges were impressed by the planting along the walls at ends of cul -de-sacs.

Dara Court: 69

The entrance was well kept. Cill Dara Close was impressive and well kept with signs of care and attention. Other parts of the estate had weeds at kerbs and grass verges. . A wall along the verge of the green needs attention. The green area was enhanced by the mature trees.

Simmonstown Manor 80

Estate has a nice pillared entrance and was very colourful and well kept. Some kerbs needed weeding and graffiti was noted on an ESB box.

Temple Manor: 90

Well deserving of first place. An excellent well presented estate. Well done.

Thornhill Gardens/Heights:**66**

Entrance sign at the Gardens was obscured by planting.. While many houses presented very well in both estates some less well presented, and weeds at kerbs took from the overall appearance. The green in Thornhill Gardens was well kept and flowers planted around the trees were very nice.

Thornhill Meadows:**75**

While the estate overall presented as very nice and well kept the estate was let down by the entrance, where the flower beds and entrance sign were overgrown with weeds. Flower boxes at base of trees, which enhanced the area in previous years, were not planted this year and should have been removed.

Vanessa Lawns:**60**

A lot of work is needed to improve the appearance of this estate. The kerbs and edges of the open space were overgrown with weeds and also along by the stream and entrance wall. One green area by the Shackleton Rd was well presented and showed evidence of combined effort.

Willowbrook Lawns:**55**

The entrance to this estate did not present well. Flower containers from previous years were unplanted and overgrown with weeds. Kerbs and grass verges were in need of attention and some litter was noted. Some well kept properties did improve the presentation.

Willowbrook Park/Grove:**57**

There is much scope for improvement in the appearance of these estates. The entrance to the Grove takes from the estate. Planters from previous years have been left unattended. Serious problems with weeds, grass verges and graffiti take from the overall presentation.

Callenders Mill:**76.5**

The new entry for this year is to be congratulated on a very impressive presentation. The open areas are very well maintained and trimmed. One portion of the estate at the opposite side of the road needs some attention to litter control and to the grass verges.

Small Estates

1st Simmonstown Park

2nd Killadoon Park

3rd Grattan Court

Ashgrove

78 points

Gardens well kept. Flowers at sign looked good. Green space well maintained. Lots of weeds on roadside kerbs. Small amount of litter.

Ashleigh Court

57 points

Wall on left would look good if some small bit of planting done. Small gardens well maintained. Weeds on roadside kerbs.

Chelmsford

76 points

Flowers around trees a nice touch. Green spaces look good. Some litter, weeds, small bit of graffiti on long wall on left of drive into estate. This wall could do with more planting.

Chestnut Grove

66 points

Green space at front of estate well kept. Lots of weeds and litter. Shrubs on right hand side of entrance need attention. Some gardens neglected.

Elm Park

74 points

Gardens mostly well maintained and green space at back of estate looked well. Entrance flower bed badly in need of some work, prune back shrubs and replace stones where black sheeting is showing. Weeds on roadside kerb.

Grattan Court

83 points

The estate looks good with green spaces well maintained, one or two gardens let this estate down. Some weeds on roadside kerbs.

Hawthorn View

76 points

Houses and gardens looked well. Green open space well maintained. Shrubs on green added a nice touch. Graffiti and weeds at main entrance also small amount of litter.

Killadoon Park

84 points

Gardens and green spaces well maintained no litter or weeds on roadside. There was a small bit of graffiti on stone wall. Could remove ivy from inside of beautiful stone boundary wall.

Larkfield Mews

62 points

Shrub beds at entrance need pruning and weeding as it is quite overgrown.

Little Grove

78 points

Houses and gardens well maintained. On day of the judging there were weeds on the kerb sides. A bit of planting to give some colour at entrance would enhance the estate.

Oakleigh

67 points

Gardens well maintained and entrance green space looked well. There were a lot of weeds along the roadside. Some garden walls could do with painting.

Simmonstown Park

88 points

Nice neat estate. Green looked good and well maintained. Nice seating on green. Houses and gardens well kept. No litter or weeds.

Temple Lawns and Primrose Hill

78 points

Well maintained estate. Nice Flower beds on corners of green. Some weeds on edges of road.

Vanessa Close

54 points

Green area beside stream maintained well on their side. Some weeds on roadsides. Grass verges need to be cut back and maintained.

Whitethorn

57 points

No litter in sight. A bit of planting at the wall on right would look well. There were a lot of weeds on roadside in this small estate. Some gardens were unkempt.

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| 1. Abbey Farm | 16. Ashgrove | 31. Elm Park |
| 2. St Raphaels Manor | 17. Willowbrook Lodge | 32. St Patricks Park |
| 3. Celbridge Abbey | 18. Willowbrook Park | 33. Vanessa Close |
| 4. Ballymakealy | 19. Willowbrook Grove | 34. The Grove |
| 5. Oakleigh | 20. Willowbrook Lawns | 35. Simmonstown Manor |
| 6. Grattan Court | 21. Whitethorn | 36. Temple Manor |
| 7. Kiladoon Park | 22. Beatty park | 37. Chelmsford |
| 8. Oldtown Mill | 23. Beatty Grove | 38. The Little Grove |
| 9. Wolstan Haven | 24. Crodaun Forest Park | 39. Primrose Hill |
| 10. Vanessa Lawns | 25. Hawthorn View | 40. Temple Lawns |
| 11. Thornhill Heights | 26. Chesnut Grove | 41. Simmonstown Park |
| 12. Thornhill Gardens | 27. Larkfield Mews | 42. Hazelhatch Park |
| 13. Ballygoran Court/View | 28. Ashleigh Court | 43. Callenders Mill |
| 14. Thornhill Meadows | 29. Castletown Estate | 44. Primrose Gate |
| 15. Castle Village | 30. Dara Court | 45. Wolstan Abbey |

