

Tidy Towns Competition 2026

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Adamstown - Baile Adaim** Ref: **2300**
County: **Dublin** Mark: **256**
Category: **E** Date(s): **20/06/2026**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2025	Mark Awarded 2026
Community – Your Planning and Involvement	80	30	31
Streetscape & Public Places	80	35	37
Green Spaces and Landscaping	80	35	36
Nature and Biodiversity in your Locality	80	20	22
Sustainability – Doing more with less	80	15	16
Tidiness and Litter Control	90	50	52
Residential Streets & Housing Areas	55	30	31
Approach Roads, Streets & Lanes	55	30	31
TOTAL MARK	600	245	256

Community – Your Planning and Involvement / An Pobal - Pleanáil agus Rannpháirtíocht:

"Fáilte go Comórtas Bailte Slachtmhara SuperValu 2026. Go raibh maith agaibh as bhur n-iarratas a chur isteach. Maith sibh as an obair atá déanta agaibh in bhur gceantar go dtí seo - guíonn muid gach rath oraibh in bhur dtionscadail amach anseo." Thank you, Adamstown for entering the 2026 Supervalu Tidy Towns Competition. For a large population category, you have an active committee of five with a volunteer base from thirty to fifty members. You are a new entrant to the competition your first entry was last year in 2025 and you achieved good results in that competition. You have good support from the County Council and also a good relationship with the Community Garda team with which you meet with alongside your own meetings. Your Facebook is active with spring clean-up information and very well done on this. Facebook is a powerful communication tool within the community, you might like to include other topics maybe by your Horticulturist, such as wildlife gardening for biodiversity. Energy saving information advice to further your community engagement. Thank you for your supporting pictures in your application it is good evidence of your hard work. For your map in future applications please list clearly projects that you like the adjudicator to view.

Your plan is very clear, concise and achievable, it is a very good guide to what you would like to achieve. Meet on it regularly to review it but don't be afraid to alter it as some aspects may change over time.

Streetscape & Public Places / Sráid-Dreach & Áiteanna Poiblí:

You have very little information in your application form regarding this category, apart from cleanups which are very important. This category deals with the architecture of the build environment. In future applications you may like to put in public buildings like churches and schools or businesses that you would like the judge to look at. Adamstown is a very modern twenty first century town with its street scape, housing areas, infrastructure engineering and architecture reflect this modern feel of a modern town with a growing and upcoming population. The streetscape has all underground services with no visible clutter of wires, nicely treelined with pocket shrubberies throughout. Meandering paths some cobble locked through some of the estates are Eye catching within the green landscapes. The school St John the Evangelist is nicely situated within the community with good active travel cycle lanes and foot paths to and from it. Under the sustainability category you may look at green flag initiatives if not already doing so.

Green Spaces and Landscaping / Spásanna Glasa agus Tírdhreachú:

While there is no public park within the realm of Adamstown as you mention there is landscaping by the Adamstown sign intersection of Station road and Adams town Avenue. The small play area at Castlegate is nicely landscaped with nice age friendly seating. The trees in this area need to be checked for tree stakes and ties and removed if necessary.

There is a lot of nice pocket planting of low growing shrubs around the town, growing and maturing nicely. Some of these are now growing onto the footpaths and limiting accessibility for wheelchair users and baby buggies. These need to be trimmed back to give you extra footpath space, it can be done as a clean up project, ask your horticulturist for advice on this matter.

Nature and Biodiversity in your Locality / An Dúlra agus an Bhithéagsúlacht i do cheantar:

This is an area which you are interested in and have a horticulturist on board to advise you on good native pollinator planting toward urban greening. Your seasonal planting plans with structured floral displays for year round vibrancy is not only good for seasonal pollinators in winter and spring but will colour and cheer to the human eye and heart as well. Encouraging the local participation in maintaining their own area green spaces helps with biodiversity. The Supervalu handbook will also give you helpful tips and ideas.

Sustainability – Doing more with less / Inmharthanacht - Mórán ar an mbeagán:

You have nothing entered in this category in your application form. Projects such as rainwater harvesting for use in your planting schemes, leaf litter collection for composting and reuse where practical are examples. Active travel, walking and cycling to school, encouraging sustainable public travel via your good bus and train services are examples. Talks and advice on sustainable energy use in your homes are ideas you may like to pursue.

Tidiness and Litter Control / Slachtmhaireacht agus Rialú Bruscair:

Thank you for your information and photographs of the litter picking events you undertook during the year; a lot of good work was undertaken by your volunteers here. The town was very litter free on adjudication day. Road gullies and drains looked free of clutter apart from some fallen leaves in isolated areas. Some cobble locking pavements have grass weeds present, these should be checked and removed regularly as they can be a trip hazard for people with poor sight and mobility issues. Some graffiti on utility and substation boxes can be remedied by having murals painted on them, it also makes them look almost attractive

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

Most of your living spaces are contemporary apartments and houses with limited scope for landscaping and garden development. All buildings looked good and cared for on the day of visiting. You may consider projects to tie in with your Greenscape, biodiversity and sustainability categories such as food waste reduction, balcony or windowsill herb growing for cooking. Growing seasonal pot displays with pollinating and scented plants for any outdoor spaces.

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

Traffic moved freely and in an orderly on the approach roads and throughout the town, Some good cycle lanes with good surfaces, like the roads and paths are maintained well. Signage is good, clear and easily visible.

Concluding Remarks:

It was nice to visit Adams town this year, it is a relatively new and growing town, it is great to witness the good work you the new tidy towns group are doing. Tidy towns are all about community and environment and you are doing well in both and we wish you every success and happiness while living and working in Adamstown.