

# Housing Estates Competition 2009

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## Introduction

For the housing estates competition 2009 a team of judges will select 1st, 2nd, and 3rd overall winners. There will also be various judges prizes on the night.

The winning housing estates in the county will be selected by the judges and they will be presented prizes at the awards ceremony in October 2009.

## Judging Criteria 2009

### **1. Overall Impression 20 marks**

- Overall plan for the area, exploring themes of wildlife areas, play areas, productive areas, eg. growth of willows, vegetables, fruit etc
- Cleanliness of the area
- Interpretation and integration with local surroundings
- Appearance of green areas, Spaces and gardens/waterside areas

### **2. Permanent Planting and Floral Enhancement 30 marks**

- Annual planting programme for all four seasons

- Diversity and variety of permanent and yearly planting including trees, plants and shrubs
- Co-ordination of colours in harmonization with local built environment/waterside environment
- Presentation of variable planting such as baskets, planters and Boxes
- Influence and impact of the planting colours used and use of features

### **3. Effort and Involvement 30 marks**

- Effort/Actions of Residents Assoc in the estate
- Co-operative efforts of all the residents, adults & children alike
- Input made by private individuals eg. stunning garden display

### **4. Environmental Management 20 marks**

- Environmental Management—waste, water & energy
- Reduction of chemical products
- Management of water features if any
- Green Waste recovery
- Recycling facilities

## Application Form

Please complete the attached application form and return to:

Avril Young or Bernadine Carry, Pride of Place Initiatives, Ashbourne Civic Offices, Meath County Council, 1-2 Killelland Square Upper, Killelland Street, Ashbourne Co Meath

## Training Workshops

A practical workshop with tutors in College of Horticulture Warrenstown will take place May 16th on how to design, plant manage your housing estate.

## Judging :

Judging of the housing estates will take place from **Monday 20th to Friday 31st July (not in August)**

## Prizes:

1st Prize: €500 + Trophy  
2nd Prize:€250  
3rd Prize:€100

## Awards Ceremony

The awards ceremony will take place in October 2009. Venue to be confirmed.

# Housing Estate Application Form

Name of Housing Estate: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: (including house number ) \_\_\_\_\_

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Contact No: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Names of two representatives who would collect any potential prize at awards ceremony in October*

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**Please give brief description of location of project and the work to be undertaken within your housing estate:** (eg: Housing estate with 12 houses with river and old stone bridge at one boundary end, if you plan to introduce a theme into your project etc)

**Number of people to take part:**

**Closing date for receipt of completed application form-5pm Friday 27th March 2009**