

**Tidy Towns****Competition 2020**

Due to Covid-19 the competition for this year has been cancelled.



The competition, an annual event since 1958 has been a major success for communities all over the country. Tidy Towns groups in towns and villages have improved their surroundings and cared for the environment year on year. It is a good example of people working together for the greater good of the community.

Litter picking, flower and shrub planting, tree planting, repair of stone walls, grass cutting and many more projects are all in a year's work. This brings a wide grouping of people together. Council, Fas (CES) workers, Tidy Towns volunteers, clubs/organisations and many more join together to have our area looking great each year. Householders and business have their premises looking well with flower displays and freshly painted external features.



This year the story is different. We cannot go out on our work evenings as we did in past times. Grass cutting is being carried out by our team of volunteers. Thank you for that. Those of us who are cocooned are clearly not out and about. In the meantime, we all hope that the Rosscarbery area will be kept clean and litter free. For dog owners take care that our footpaths and beaches are kept clean. Clean up after your dog as needed.



- To all in general keep an eye out for litter. Keep your area litter free. If you do pick up litter, please use gloves and a litter picker. Dispose of litter and gloves correctly.
- In the absence of Tidy Towns volunteers, we urge householders and business owners to keep the area outside their property clean and free of weeds, litter and wild grass.

Finally take care. Mind yourselves. Stay active. Take heed of the information and warnings from the Government and HSE. At this time a prayer or two may help bring this pandemic to a halt.

