## **Green Flag Success**

When the Green Flag for Parks were announced on 8th November Dromiskin became the only centre in Ireland to be awarded two Community Green Flags which is a global symbol of excellence in the presentation and maintenance of public spaces provided and managed by volunteers. A unique achievement that we are very proud of!



### **Outdoor Classroom**

We were delighted to partner with St Peter's N.S. to upgrade the Outdoor Classroom which will be of great benefit to the amenities of the school.







# Louth Looking Good 2024!

The Louth Looking Good Awards Ceremony in the Fairways Hotel on 14th November brought a very successful year to a conclusion for our Tidy Towns Group when Dromiskin swept the boards winning the Overall Award for the second time. We also won the Youth Award, Waste Minimisation Award, Climate Action Award, a Biodiversity Award and Second Place in the Seasonal Display category. We were thrilled when our Chairman, Pat, was named Environmentalist of the Year – a well–deserved honour for his trojan work in our community. Congratulations also to Church View on winning the top award in Housing Estates Category







Dromiskin Tidy Towns

Welcome to issue six of our Tidy Towns Newsletter with updates of our recent activities since August of this year.



HAPPY CHRISTMAS to all from all of us in Dromiskin Tidy Towns

# Official Opening of Ginnety's Pond

A wonderful community celebration took place on Saturday 24th August when Ginnety's Pond Nature Park was officially opened by well-known personality Eanna Ní Lamhna in the presence of the Chairman of Louth County Council, Councillor Kevin Callan. This project was made possible due to the generosity of the Hand family and the support of the Church Body/Diocese for necessary licensing agreements. We know that the amenity is enjoyed by many and we would ask all visitors to remember it is the home of wildlife so dogs must be kept on a lead and dog fouling bagged and binned.





# **Regional Awards!**

We waited a long time to get our Silver Medal awarded at the 2023 National Tidy Towns so a few of our members were delighted to travel to Regional and National Winner, Abbeyleix to collect the hard earned medal as well as the prize for coming third in the county. A lovely night of celebration!



### **Duck Feeder!**

The Duck Feeder is proving very popular with visitors to Ginnety's Pond Nature Park providing nutritional feed at nominal cost in a sustainable manner. The unit operates on as cashless basis using tap only and is the first such dispenser in Co Louth. Signs have also been been provided reminding visitors not to feed bread to the ducks.



# National Tidy Towns 2024!

1st November is certainly a day to remember when the results of this year's National Tidy **Towns Competition were** announced in Croke Park. Hoping that our hard work would see us retain our silver medal we were thrilled beyond words to be awarded Gold as well as coming second in the county. Great recognition for our hard working volunteers and the community that supports us.



#### House & Garden Awards

Generously sponsored by Ardee Credit Union our House & Garden Awards was a great success once again this year. Congratulations to the winners who were presented with their prizes at an event in St. Peter's N.S. in October.



