



# Another award for Tallanstown

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TALLANSTOWN has won yet another award.

The county's smartest village has now taken the **Tidy Towns Biodiversity Notice Nature** Award for the Midlands and East region.

"We are delighted with the award and it has inspired us to further develop the ecology trail," said Richard Barry, chairperson of the Tallanstown **Tidy Towns** committee.

"We saw the potential for doing something really different in our **Tidy Town** initiative under the wildlife and

natural amenities category.

"This led to two different projects, an ecology study of the village and phase one of the ecology trail," Mr Barry said.

Since 2006, the **Tidy Towns** competition has included a special category on wildlife and natural amenities for **Tidy Towns** initiatives which foster **biodiversity** and the natural environment.

The **Notice Nature** Award rewards actions taken to conserve, enhance and create local wildlife areas such as ponds and hedgerows.