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Dublin North cleans up well in Tidy Towns awards – Kennedy

FIANNA FAIL'S Dublin North TD Michael Kennedy has congratulated all of the towns honoured in today's Tidy Towns Awards, and commended the volunteers in Skerries, Malahide, Donabate and Balbriggan who have worked hard to make Dublin North so beautiful.

Deputy Kennedy said: "Not only did Skerries and Malahide receive a gold medal in their individual population categories, but Skerries also won the Regional Award for the Dublin Area."

"Skerries was again successful in the County Category for the Fingal area, with Malahide following closely behind whilst St Patrick's Boys National School in Donabate was awarded with the Tidiest School Award."

"Other awards went to Balbriggan Town Centre for the best landscaping, Skerries for the best bring bank."

"Special mention must also go to Balbriggan town which received an Endeavour Award for its improved performance," Deputy Kennedy said.

"Residents in Swords, Lusk, Balcadden and Ballyboughal – which all scored well - should also be commended for their contribution to making our area more attractive."

"I would also like to congratulate Fingal County Council's Environmental Department, which works closely with residents."

"I think it's clear from the raft of awards given to towns across our county that the people of North Dublin appreciate the natural beauty of their area and are willing to give their time and effort to maintain it. For that, I thank all those involved in the Tidy Towns movement in North Dublin," Deputy Kennedy concluded.

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NOTES:

Gold Medals – Skerries (category E); Malahide (category G)

Regional Awards

Dublin - Skerries

County Awards

Dublin (Fingal): Winner – Skerries; Highly Commended – Malahide

Endeavour Awards

Dublin (Fingal) Balbriggan, which improved by 9.39 %

Special Awards

Best Bring Bank – Skerries, Dublin

Landscaping Award – Town Centre, Balbriggan

School Award – St Patrick's Boys National School, Donabate