

Double the pride as Limerick wins two Pride of Place Awards



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Broadford and Liskennett honoured at gala ceremony

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Limerick is celebrating on the double following two awards at the IPB Pride of Place Awards for 2016.

Broadford and Liskennett were the Limerick winners at the gala ceremony in Belfast overnight (Sat 26 Nov 2016).

The village of Broadford won the award in the 0 – 300 population category. The great work the local development association and various groups are doing have highlighted various projects being undertaken in the fight back against rural depopulation.

These projects include the re-development of the national school for use as a community centre; development of sheltered housing with day care facilities; development of a community crèche, an arboretum and a millennium garden as well as upgrading of community facilities including a playground, Enterprise Centre and local walking routes.

Liskennett Farm, run by St Joseph's Foundation in Granagh, is a new development for children and adults with autism, which officially opened in September 2015. It incorporated an Equestrian Centre/ Open Farm, a day-centre and residential service and is committed to improving and enriching the lives and opportunities of more than 900 children and adults with autism/ learning disabilities, while working with the local community to provide a multi-purpose facility for their needs.

Liskennett Farm was given one of the Special Awards on the night.

Pride of Place is an all-island competition sponsored by IPB that acknowledges the work that communities are doing all over the island of Ireland.

The competition focus is about people coming together to shape, change and improve daily lives in their communities.

A total of four Limerick groups and communities were shortlisted for the awards. In addition to the two winners, there was Murroe Community Council in the 1,000 to 2,000 population category and Limerick Youth Theatre in the Community Arts Initiative section.

Mayor of the City and County of Limerick Cllr Kieran O’Hanlon paid tribute to all four groups: “It’s an amazing achievement to be nominated for these awards. You are being judged on an all island basis, so by being nominated, you can truly say you are one of the best.”

“To Broadford and Liskennett, congratulations, the pride you have and show in your community is evident to everyone. The work that you carry out is for the betterment of people in your localities. You all work very hard for your communities and I’m delighted that you have been honoured by the Pride of Place judges. Your communities are better because of you.”