

## **AnTaisce Report – IBAL Anti-Litter League, Round 1, 2019**

**Waterford City – Ballybeg: 34<sup>th</sup> out of 40 Towns / Cities surveyed. Moderately Littered.**

**Ballybeg's result suffered due to two litter blackspots. The Horticultural Project Initiative (subject to long-term dumping e.g. mattresses and bedding) and an area beside the GAA Club both need attention as they will only encourage further dumping. Top ranking sites included Ballybeg Community Project, St. Saviour's GAA Club and the residential areas of Glencarra and Priory Lawn.**

**Ballybeg Park: Grade B.** The grass area was good with regard to litter but it was closer to the houses that the litter become apparent – mostly food related, with some personal hygiene items.

**Tesco: Grade A.** The overall environment is very freshly presented with paving, trolley bays, planting, bollards etc. in very good condition. This site got the top litter grade, but only just.

**Musgrave Market Place: Grade A.** The overall impression created at this retail environment was of a generally clean and tidy area. The extensive car park was fresh and clean with some light planting to take away the bare look. Paving and planted areas were in good condition.

**Ballybeg Community Development Project: Grade A.** The buildings and grounds of this community project were in good order and well maintained. Grass, planted areas, paving and railings were in very good condition. It was excellent with regard to litter.

**Horticultural Project Initiative: Grade D.** What was probably set out to be a place of pleasure has been destroyed. This wasn't just a littered site but subject to dumping as evidenced by mattresses and bedding.

**Ryan's Bar and Lounge – Vacant Site: Grade B.** It would seem that this premises has been long abandoned (as evidenced by no roof and flaking paint). It creates a poor impression in the overall area. The main items of litter associated with it were sweet wrappers, glass and cigarette butts. The clothing bank in the immediate vicinity was poor.

**St. Saviour's GAA Club: Grade A.** The car park surface and markings were in very good condition, creating a fresh impression. The immediate environs of St. Saviour's GAA Club was immaculate.

**Area beside GAA Club: Grade D.** An area immediately beside GAA club was not just littered but subject to dumping. It needs immediate attention.

**Glencarra: Grade A.** This residential area has the appearance of 'house-proud' residents. There was a complete absence of litter throughout the area surveyed and the cut grass was pristine.

**Priory Lawn: Grade A.** All public and private areas of this residential area were impeccable.