

Monaghan: 12th out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Clean to European Norms.

This was Monaghan's best performance in many years, with seven top ranking sites and no heavily littered sites. Park Street, Devin Reilly Park / Terrace, Market Street / Market House and The Diamond were all very good regarding litter and overall presentation. 'The Diamond', in particular was excellent. The Diamond Centre was improved compared to previous litter status but was still littered.

Northern Standard R&S Printers: Grade A. Attractive ironwork signage indicates the name of this site. Wonderful bright wall mural adds some welcome colour to some parts of the site. The point at which the mural stops reveal what the other very unattractive alternative is. There was a complete absence of litter throughout.

Diamond Centre: Grade B. There was some improvement at this site which had been stubbornly littered for quite some time. However, it was still a littered site with heavy levels of cigarette butts, sweet papers, fast-food wrappers and plastic. A more thorough and sustained regime is required to bring this site to Grade A status.

'The Diamond': Grade A. A very attractively presented and maintained town centre environment with planting, paving, seating, buildings, ornamental trees etc. in very good condition.

Market Street / Market House: Grade A. The fine building at Market House has been very well cared for. There was a virtual absence of litter in the immediate environs and along Market Street.

Derelict / Boarded up premises, Market Street: Grade A. Clearly a careful eye is kept on this fire scorched site as there was no litter directly associated with it.

Park Street: Grade A. There were no litter issues along this street. The paving was mixed with some parts adorned with an attractive stone.

Devin Reilly Park / Terrace: Grade A. There was a virtual absence of litter at this residential area, replete with large expanse of communal grass area. The bench was in very good condition.

N54 Approach towards Cavan: Grade A. A freshly presented and well maintained route in / out of Monaghan. Road surface, markings and signage were in good order.

N54 Cavan Approach Road: Grade B. The main visible litter items along this route included heavy levels of fast-food wrappers, sweet papers and plastic. Other items may lurk beneath the heavy verge side growth.

Recycle Facility, at Tesco: Grade B. The Recycle units were freshly presented with clear and legible signage associated with the usage of same. There were significant quantities of broken glass to the front of the units, bottle top / lids and cardboard boxes in the immediate vicinity. Many of the units were full / overflowing, indicating a need to empty.