

**Cork North City: 35<sup>th</sup> out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Littered.**

Around half of the sites surveyed in Cork North City were moderately littered with general scatterings of litter. Improving some of these sites would make a difference to the overall ranking. There was evidence of clean up / green area management ongoing during the survey. Perhaps some of the litter was obscured by vegetation which was at full summer growth in early June. It was noted in many instances that the litter was 'long-lie', indicating a lack of thorough cleaning for quite some time. Upper Fairhill wasn't just casually littered but subject to small scale dumping, some of it 'long-lie'. By far the most heavily littered site was Ballyvolane Road – it was again a litter blackspot with dumped items spreading across the site.

**Shandon Street: Grade B+.** This was one of the cleanest sites in Cork North City, just missing the top litter grade. There were minor amounts of litter, mostly mineral cans, plastic bottles and paper.

**Pope's Quay: Grade A.** There were just two Grade A sites, and Pope's Quay was one – a litter-free site.

**Upper Fairhill: Grade C.** Upper Fairhill wasn't just casually littered but there was evidence of small scale dumping, some of it 'long-lie'. Larger accumulations were particularly noticeable towards Blackstone Bridge.

**Popham's Hill: Grade B.** The overall impression here was generally good with some accumulations of paper, plastic bottles and sweet wrappers.

**North Monastery Road: Grade B.** The main visible litter items were sweet wrappers, plastic bottles, cans and paper.

**Glen Avenue: Grade B.** An improvement was noted here, compared to the seriously littered status towards the end of 2021. Generally, a good site with the green areas clear of litter. Plastic bottles, sweet wrappers and paper were evident elsewhere.

**Red Forge Road: Grade B.** On average, Red Forge Road was moderately littered with some accumulations of litter and vegetation screening other items. It was noted that there was a lot of construction / building going on in the immediate area

**Old Mallow Road: Grade B.** This site was a Grade B, but only just and could quickly deteriorate. Litter was particularly obvious around Shaw's Bridge, some of which was long-lie. Some litter was screened by vegetation.

**Cathedral Road: Grade B.** Cathedral Road was characterised by small scatterings of litter throughout – mainly wrappers, plastic bottles and paper.

**Ballyvolane Road: Grade D.** Not only was this by far the most heavily littered site surveyed, but there had also been further deterioration since this site was last surveyed in 2021. It has been subject to large scale dumping, long-lie. The dumped material is spreading across the site.

**Watercourse Road: Grade B+.** Generally clear, very minor amounts of occasional litter – cans, plastic bottle paper.

**Great William O'Brien Street: Grade B+.** Very minor amounts of litter, just a few occasional food related items. Generally, clear.

**Sunvalley Drive: Grade C+.** There didn't appear to be quite the same levels of dumping, but Sunvalley Drive was still heavily littered with a mix of accumulations of scatterings. Much of it was 'long-lie'.

**Blarney Street: Grade B.** This very long site had a generally clean impression overall but there were too many patches of litter, mainly papers, plastic bottles and cans for the top litter grade.

**Banduff Road: Grade B+.** Steady improvements have been noted over the last few surveys, compared to the heavily littered status. There was evidence of community clean-up activity – great to see the results of same.

**Fairhill: Grade B.** Generally, this was quite a clean site but here were too many pieces of paper and food related items.

**Fairfield Avenue: Grade B.** Small scatterings of litter throughout, most visible items were food related.

**North Ring Road (Blackpool to Mayfield): Grade C+.** A very mixed site. It was very clean on the western end with well managed green spaces and areas left for pollinators. Eastern end had evidence of domestic dumping and accumulations. Some of these were larger items e.g., electrical appliances. There was no change on previous IBAL survey.

**Dublin Hill: Grade B.** Small scatterings of litter throughout mainly wrappers, plastic bottles and paper.

**Baker's Road / Cronins Field: Grade B.** An improvement was noted here compared to previous survey. This time around there were mainly small scatterings of litter throughout.

**Gerald Griffin Street: Grade B+.** Minor amounts of occasional litter were present here. It was generally good with regard to litter, not much effort required for top litter grade.

**Kilmore Road / Churchfield Road: Grade C+.** Evidence of litter and some small scale dumping - not as heavy as before, a slightly improved site but not enough to shift it any higher than Grade C status.

**Ballyhooley Road: Grade B.** No notable change, small scatterings of litter throughout, mainly wrappers, plastic bottles and paper.

**Cathedral Walk: Grade B.** A moderately littered site.

**Roman Street: Grade A.** One of only two sites to get the top litter grade it was very much deserving of same, a litter free site.