

Navan: 18th out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Clean to European Norm.s

A hugely improved overall result for Navan, with seven out of the ten sites getting the top litter grade and no litter blackspots. The three approach roads were top ranking and other examples included Boreen Keel Park / Playground and Emmet Terrace. There was a big improvement noted at the Bring Facility. St. Patrick's Park had clearly been cleaned up but is still subject to dumping / arson.

R161 Trim Approach Road: Grade A. A fresh presented route into Navan with road surface, markings and signage in good order. Cycle path was particularly clear of litter.

R147 Johnstown Approach Road: Grade A. The overall impression along this route was a good one. There were no visible litter issues, a virtual absence of litter throughout.

Boreen Keel – Park / Playground: Grade A. A large expanse of green space which has been very well presented and maintained. Minimal litter visible. All aspects of the area surveyed were in very good order. e.g. paving, play equipment, street lamps, seating etc.

St. Patrick's Terrace: Grade B+. A number of years ago this residential area had been a heavily littered site – not so this time around. There were loose, food-related items, cigarette butts and face-masks present, much of it along the kerb, at the edge of the pavement.

Emmet Terrace: Grade A. There was a virtual absence of litter at this large expanse of grassland. The maintenance of same was somewhat 'wild', very much in keeping with other green spaces throughout the country.

4 Boreen Keel: Grade A. While not as freshly presented as its neighbours, this house has managed to get the top litter grade, but only just. Care needs to be taken that litter doesn't begin to build up.

Trimgate Street: Grade B. A freshly presented streetscape with paving and seating in good order. The most obvious litter items were cigarette butts, with lower levels of food related litter. An area behind black railings and a grill covering over a yellow pipe harboured much of the various litter items. Apart from these two areas of note, there was a very definite litter presence throughout the footpath.

Bring Facility, Navan end of road to racecourse: Grade A. A much improved site compared to previous IBAL surveys. While the infrastructure is being re-laid, the interim measure appears to be working as it very much deserving of the top litter grade. Area to the front and rear of the units was good with regard to litter. Care needs to be taken that the clothing banks are emptied sufficiently frequently to avoid items spilling out of the orange units.

St. Patrick's Park: Grade C. While there is evidence of some clean up, there was still a very heavy litter presence, along with vandalism / arson.

N51 Delvin Approach Road: Grade A. A freshly presented route, with just the odd litter item. Overall, it was very much deserving of the top litter grade.