

Killarney: 28th out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Clean to European Norms.

While not reaching the heights of previous years, Killarney just holds on to its clean status. Top ranking sites included the approach roads and Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre – the latter was exceptionally well presented and maintained. It is a shame that the Main Street in this important tourist town just missed the top litter grade, not much effort is required to rectify this. By far the most heavily littered area was the ‘Bins at Glebe Car Park’ site – clearly better management of commercial / industrial waste is required here.

Pike Road: Grade A. A clean a fresh impression of Killarney was created along this route. The recessed area with seating was a nice feature.

Woodlands Industrial Estate: Grade A. Apart from a few minor items, including dog fouling, this was a clean site. Apart from very minimal planting, this was a very functional environment.

Killarney Sports & Leisure: Grade A. An exceptionally well presented and maintained environment with a complete absence of litter throughout. Car park surface and markings were in good order and the extensive planting looked great. Well done to all concerned!

Park Road: Grade B. (from junction with N22 and Countess Road). Some parts of this road were much cleaner than other parts. As well as a wide variety of food and alcohol cans, there was a pile of discarded clothing and some construction related materials.

Aldi: Grade B. This freshly presented environment was let down by noticeable litter at all the pedestrian entrances, on the grass area, next to the bin and trolley bays. As well as typical food related items, there were shop receipts and promotional related materials.

Main Street: Grade B+. Excellent streetscape with lovely paving, road surface, bollards, ornamental tree planning, planter boxes and well presented shop fronts. With a little extra effort on behalf of smokers and shoppers, this could be a top ranking site.

Bohereencael: Grade B+. The brick paving along this narrow laneway looks great and the ornamental tree is a welcome addition. Cigarette butts were the most obvious litter item, with lower levels of food related items. There didn't appear to be any litter bins / cigarette butt units.

Bins at Glebe Car Park: Grade C. This area was by far the most heavily littered site surveyed in Killarney. Many of the large commercial bins (with locks) were full /overflowing, the contents of which were spilling onto the ground. As well as a wide variety of food related items, there was cardboard and industrial wrapping. The overall impression was a poor one.

Bus Station: Grade B. The Bus Parking area was clean but the covered seating area harboured litter – mostly cigarette butts with lower levels of food items e.g. sweet papers, mineral cans, coffee cups and plastic bag. This took away from an otherwise well presented environment with attractive paving, seating and litter bins which were in good condition.

Port Approach Road: Grade A. Road surface / markings / signage were in very good order and area was enhanced by some nice paving and stainless steel bollards. It was excellent with regards to litter.