An Taisce Report – IBAL Anti-Litter League, Survey 2, 2022

Naas: 1st out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Cleaner than European Norms.

In recent years Naas attained a level of cleanliness and presentation that should inspire local authorities across the country to better things. The town continues to thrive in the league with virtually all the sites surveyed getting the top litter grade and no seriously littered ones. The Main Street was exceptionally well presented and maintained; there was a complete absence of litter at Friary Road Car Park and Harbour View was very much deserving of the top litter grade – a notable improvement on recent IBAL surveys.

L2036 Approach Road: Grade A. A freshly presented route with no visible litter issues throughout. Road surface / markings / signage were in good order.

Friary Road Car Park: Grade A. There was a complete absence of litter within this small car park. The overall presentation and maintenance of same was good.

Poplar: Grade A. Paving, bollards, outdoor seating, tree planting, litter bins etc. were in very good order. Apart from some minor food related items, this was very good with regard to litter. Overall, it was deserving of the top litter grade.

Main Street: Grade A. The Main Street in Naas is exceptionally well presented and maintained with lovely paving, bicycle parking, street bins etc. in very good order. There was a virtual absence of litter throughout.

Moat Mall: Grade A. There was a complete absence of litter at this small outdoor shopping / eating area. Paving, seating, planting were in good order and the overall impression was a very positive one.

Harbour View: Grade A. This had been a littered site in previous IBAL surveys – not so this time around. An attractively presented waterside amenity with litter bins, seating and signage in good order.

Derelict mansion, by Canal: Grade A. While this boarded up building has the appearance of abandonment, clearly a careful eye is kept on it as there was no litter directly associated with it. The overall appearance was unkempt but not littered.

The Well Lane Well: Grade B. Very good, illustrated notices for any visitors to the area. The food related items included plastic bottles, fast-food wrappers, sweet wrappers and some alcohol bottles.

Recycle Facility, at FairGreen: Grade A. A freshly presented and maintained Bring Bank with all aspects associated with same in good order. Apart from some plastic bags, it was very good with regard to litter.

Ballymore Eustace Approach Road: Grade A. There was no visible litter along this road – all appeared in good order.