

**Dublin Airport Environs: 18<sup>th</sup> out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Clean to European Norms.**

**A solid performance with half of the sites surveyed getting the top litter grade. There were notable improvements at the Lay-by on Naul Road and Lay-by on the R108 – while they still harboured some litter, the overall presentation and maintenance of same was much better. Those sites which got the top litter grade tended to be those closest to the airport, with the viewing area / train spotting areas being littered. By far the most heavily littered site surveyed was the Improvised Lay-by on Old Airport Road.**

**Airport Roundabout: Grade A.** An exceptionally freshly presented environment with sculpture at its centre. Grass area was very well maintained – overall, this was a welcoming environment for any visitors arriving / travelling along this route.

**Lay-by / Parking area on R108: Grade B.** There was a notable improvement at this site, compared to previous IBAL surveys. However, it still has some way to go before attaining the top litter grade. Litter items were predominantly food related, along with some alcohol cans. This took away from an otherwise well-presented environment.

**Lay-by on Naul Road: Grade B.** Another site which was definitely cleaner than previous surveys. Litter bin / bollards were freshly presented. Alcohol cans were obvious, with lower levels of plastic bottles, plastic bags, mineral cans and sweet wrappers. One of the bins was ajar, the contents of which were strewn about on the ground.

**Dublin Road: Grade B+.** (from Cloghran Roundabout to turnoff for Airside Shopping Centre) Overall, this route was quite good with regard to litter, some sporadic items on the pavements. The area adjacent to the petrol station will need a careful eye to prevent a build-up of further items.

**Stockhole Lane: Grade B+.** This site just missed the top litter grade. Loose food related items took away from an otherwise well-presented and maintained environment.

**M1 – from Roundabout At Clonsaugh Road to Airport Approach: Grade A.** There was a virtual absence of litter along this heavily trafficked route.

**M1 from M50 Ramp to turnoff for Airport: Grade A.** Freshly cut grass verges and well attended hedges contribute to the excellent impression created at this site. There were minimal litter items to be seen.

**Approach to Airport Roundabout from M1: Grade A.** Attractive and well grass verges along both sides of the road looked very well. The overall impression was of a litter free environment.

**Swords Road: Grade A.** Apart from minor litter at bus stops, this site was very much deserving of the top litter grade. Recently cut grass has resulted in 'chopped-up' litter.

**Improvised Lay-by, Old Airport Road: Grade C.** This was by far the most heavily littered site in Dublin Airport Environs. A large green wheely bin with a small circular aperture has been provided but it would seem to be either underused or insufficient for the demands of the site – based on the wide variety of food and alcohol related items in the ditches / hedges and on the ground behind the cars.