

**Killarney: 20<sup>th</sup> out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Clean to European Norms**

**A solid performance by Killarney with over half of the sites surveyed getting the top litter grade. Plunkett Street and Main Street were both very much deserving of the top litter grade. Maurice O'Donoghue Memorial Park / Riverwalk is a lovely environment which has been attractively presented and maintained – it was very good with regard to litter. Re Bin Area in Glebe Car Park: We note the correspondence from Killarney Municipal District, indicating the works / proposed works at this site – while this site scored poorly again this time around, hopefully the proposed works will show an improved result in IBAL survey later in the year.**

**N22 Approach Road: Grade B+.** (from The Heights Hotel to the Port Road Roundabout). Road surface / markings / signage were in good order along this somewhat littered route. Overall, it was much cleaner close to the roundabout, with scattered litter as you exit the town. Typical food related items were present. Care needs to be taken that there isn't a further build up at the unkempt grass verges.

**Daly's SuperValu Shopping Centre: Grade B.** The car park was looking fresh with a new car park and some attractive planted areas. While there was some on-going construction, there was no litter directly associated with this area. Lots of small items of litter were mostly found in and around the trolley bays and there were heavy accumulations of cigarette butts away from the main entrance. The Texaco forecourt was spotless.

**N71 Muckross Approach Road: Grade A.** (from Brehon Hotel to Riverside Hotel). A very welcoming approach to Killarney with an abundance of colourful planting at a couple of large, planted areas. All aspects of the area surveyed were in very good order. This site was very much deserving of the top litter grade.

**Maurice O'Donoghue Memorial Park / Riverwalk: Grade A.** There was a virtual absence of litter at this lovely park / riverside environment. Seating / signage / dog fouling facilities etc. were all in excellent condition. This park area is certainly worth a visit.

**Main Street: Grade A.** The streetscape was in reasonably good order e.g., paving, tree planting, signage, litter bins, tiered planter boxes, bollards, re-purposed P&T telephone box housing a Defibrillator etc. While there was minimal litter, the street was choked with traffic.

**Plunkett Street: Grade A.** The individual premises were brightly painted and freshly presented along this short pedestrianised street. Area was further enhanced by planter boxes and 'olde' style signage. Apart from some chewing gum, it was spotless throughout.

**Bin Area in Glebe Car Park: Grade C.** We note the correspondence from Killarney Municipal District, indicating the works / proposed works at this site. As of the time of this IBAL visit, there wasn't a notable improvement but hopefully this will be the case by the time the second survey takes place later in the year. Black sacks of rubbish are likely to attract dogs / birds, potentially leading to items being strewn about.

**Lewis Road: Grade A.** All was very fresh and clean along this road, a mix of residential and approaching traffic.

**Killarney Train Station: Grade B.** A lovely 'olde' style station entrance which was spotless. Car park associated with the station was also very good with regard to litter. The grade was brought down due to the obvious litter presence along the pedestrian pathway – most food related items, cigarette butts and vaping devices.

**'Bring Facility' in Mission Road Car Park: Grade A.** An excellent site. The recycle bin units were freshly presented and the signage associated with the usage of same was in very good condition. This facility is a credit to the users and those responsible for the maintenance of same.