

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

With five sites getting the top litter grade and no very heavily littered sites, Navan is again clean. The approach roads presented well, very much deserving of the top litter grade. Navan Shopping Centre – Entrance / Immediate Environs was well presented and maintained. The Bring Facility (main car park) was generally improved due to the re-positioning of the recycle units but there was requires further attention to be a top-ranking site. St. Patrick's Park remains the most heavily littered site surveyed in Navan.

Navan Shopping Centre: Entrance & Immediate Environs: Grade A. There was a virtual absence of litter at this site. The raised planted area to the front of the shopping centre is a lovely feature. There were a few incidents of graffiti, on a big belly style bin and wall very close to this bin in front of some shops.

Preston Place: Grade B. Chewing gum was very obvious on the red brickwork of this narrow pedestrianised area, with lower levels of cigarette butts, fast-food wrappers and sweet papers. There was some obvious graffiti along one stretch of wall.

St. Patrick's Terrace: Grade B. This was a mixed site in terms of litter. Some parts were clear, other parts were not. Items were between the kerb and parked cars, and it was particularly obvious towards the end of the cul-de-sac. The level was such that it was well on its way to Grade C status.

8 / 9 St. Patrick's Terrace: Grade A. There were minimal litter items to the front of this somewhat run-down looking house.

Emmet Park: Grade A. There was a virtual absence of litter at this large expanse of green space – any minor items to be seen were around the gutter edge of the grass, mostly food related and some cigarette butts.

Trimgate Street: Grade B. The paving / brickwork underfoot was mixed on Trimgate Street with chewing gum particularly pronounced on the older / red surface. Cigarette butts were very much a feature, with lower levels of face-masks, fast-food wrappers and sweet papers. The area was well served by litter bins – perhaps litter awareness / cigarette butt notices might ease the litter issue.

Bring Facility, main Car Park: Grade B. The re-positioning of the recycle units up against a fence / bramble has somewhat reduced the litter but there was still a definite presence to the rear / over the fence. Items had also become trapped beneath / between the units, which themselves were somewhat grubby.

R147 Dublin Approach: Grade A. The road surface / markings / signage create a fresh impression along this route. Litter bin was clean, with cigarette butt unit atop. All appeared in good order with regard to litter.

St. Patrick's Park: Grade C. It would seem that some work has taken place here, resulting in some improvement compared to previous IBAL surveys. Based on the current level of litter / dumping, this clearly requires ongoing attention.

N51 Devlin / Athboy Approach Road: Grade A. There was a virtual absence of litter along this route – all appeared in good order.