

**Limerick City South - Galvone: 34<sup>th</sup> out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Littered.**

**Two litter blackspots saw Galvone lose its 'moderately littered' status of one year ago. Top ranking sites included Roxboro Shopping Centre and Crossagalla Business Park – both were well presented and maintained. This is in sharp contrast to the Recycle Facility within Roxboro Shopping Centre which has been a poorly ranking site over previous IBAL Surveys. The other poorly ranked site in Galvone was the miscellaneous site and area adjacent to Treaty Steel at Galvone Industrial Estate – significant dumping is an issue at this site.**

**Roxboro Shopping Centre: Grade A.** This site is typically a top ranking one – things were no different this time around. Car parking area / pavements to the front of the shops were in good condition. (See separate survey site area for the Recycle Facility)

**Recycle Facility, Roxboro Shopping Centre: Grade D+.** Similarly, this site has regularly been a heavily littered one and there was little change to this status this time around. The area to the front of the units was fine – the areas to the rear / side tell a different story. Huge numbers of black sacks of rubbish had been discarded to the rear of the units. This was dumping on a monumental scale.

**Crossagalla Business Park: Grade A.** This business / industrial area was deserving of the top litter grade with a virtual absence of litter. There was still some industrial plastic / wrapping but the overall impression generally fine.

**Ballysimon Road: Grade A.** Overall, this road was deserving of the top litter grade despite some litter at the entrance to one particular site and minor litter near the Childers Road junction.

**Roxboro Road: Grade B+.** Road surface / markings / signage were in good order. Recent, food related items (e.g. coffee cups, plastic bottles, fast-food wrappers and sweet papers) took away from an otherwise well-presented environment. It was most obvious adjacent to the houses at approach to the railway bridge. A more thorough approach to cleaning could address this.

**Kennedy Park: Grade B+.** A hard-hitting dog fouling sign reminds the public that the dog fouling fine could be a maximum of €4,000.00. Large and very colourful planter boxes have been installed along the pathway but unfortunately, they have become a sort of bin receptacle in the absence of any other bins in the immediate area. With a little extra effort, this could easily be a top-ranking site.

**Galvone Industrial Estate: Grade B.** An improvement of previous surveys with casually discarded food related items being the only issue this time around. See separate survey site below within the industrial estate.

**Miscellaneous site and area adjacent to Treaty Steel at Galvone Industrial Estate: Grade D.** This wasn't just a littered site but one subject to severe dumping. While it would seem that some previous issues have been tackled, new issues have arisen.

**Galvone Road at Kennedy Park: Grade B.** The overall impression at this residential area was of a litter presence. Items were all food related and casually discarded. Signage indicating the fine for illegal dumping of rubbish indicates that it is €4,000.00.

**Weigh Station on Childers Road: Grade C.** There was a mix of recent and long-lie litter at this site. It presents poorly and this is only likely to deteriorate further if not addressed. Graffiti was unsightly.