

**Ballybeg – Waterford: 11<sup>th</sup> out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Cleaner than European Norms.**

**Ballybeg has scored exceptionally well this time around – well done to all concerned. With seven top ranking sites there are some which deserve a mention, particularly the Bring Facility at Tesco Ballybeg as this has regularly been a heavily littered site in previous surveys. All approach roads presented well. The residential areas of Ardmore Terrace and Clonard Park were both much better than previous IBAL surveys – this time around they just missed the top litter grade. By far the most heavily littered site was Ballybeg Stores / Ballybeg Pizza and Environs. Development was taking place at the adjoining site (formerly Ryan's) - perhaps this will breathe some new life into what was a heavily littered area.**

**Ardmore Terrace: Grade B+.** This residential area just missed the top litter grade - a good improvement from previous IBAL Surveys when it had been heavily littered / subject to dumping. This time around it was loose food related items and car tyre which brought down the litter grade.

**Ballybeg Drive Roundabout to Ballybeg Link Rd Roundabout: Grade A.** All was in very good order along this route, with fast moving traffic. Road surface, markings and signage were in good condition. There were no visible litter items.

**Bring Centre, Tesco, Ballybeg: Grade A.** This facility has frequently been littered to varying degrees in previous IBAL surveys - not so, this time around. The area in front of the units / to the rear and the surrounding shrubbery were devoid of all dumping. Recycle bins and facility signage were in very good order.

**Tesco, Ballybeg: Grade A.** The car park was excellent - shrubbery area which had previously harboured litter was spotless this time around. Store entrance was very good with regards to litter. Overall, the whole area was very much deserving of the top litter grade.

**Deposit Return Scheme - Tesco, Ballybeg: Grade A.** This 'in-store' facility was spotless. There was no litter in the immediate area.

**Ballybeg Park / Playground: Grade A.** This small park / playground facility was well presented and maintained. There was minimal litter, just an occasional item to the rear of various seats. 'Poop & Scoop' facility was directly outside the park.

**Ballybeg Stores & Environs: Grade C+.** The area directly in front of Ballybeg Stores / Ballybeg Pizza was mildly littered but it was the open area at the end / to the side of the building which had a very obvious litter presence. The perimeter, mostly within the weeds / overgrown area had a wide variety of food related litter, some of it seemingly 'long-lie', indicating a lack of thorough cleaning for quite some time.

**Clonard Park – Residential: Grade B+.** The majority of the interconnecting roads within this residential development were fine with regards to litter. It was the food related items along the stretch which was home to the school and leading to Ardmore Park which brought down the overall litter grade.

**Ballybeg Youth Project: Grade A.** The area visible through the gates appeared to be in good order, devoid of visible litter. Colourful wall murals and picnic tables were nice features.

**Ballybeg Drive roundabout to Ballybeg: Grade A.** There was a virtual absence of litter along this main approach route to Ballybeg. The overall impression was a good one.