

Blanchardstown: 3rd out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Cleaner than European Norms.

An excellent result for a busy urban area like Blanchardstown, with nine out of the ten sites surveyed getting the top litter grade. With so many good sites, there are a few which deserve special mention e.g. residential area of Woodbrook was a template for a Grade A site and there was evidence of Tidy Town activity in Blanchardstown Village with good signage. Carpenterstown Avenue was another residential area which was very much deserving of the top litter grade – well done to all concerned.

Millennium Park at R843 entrance: Grade A. Overall, the park and associated car parking area / Bring Centre were deserving of the top litter grade. Minimal litter in the car park / grass verges at the pavements didn't take away from the overall impression. Detailed Dog related signage / images i.e. 'You are now in a dog-on-leash area', along with associated rules. PE equipment appeared to be in good condition, apart from some graffiti.

Blanchardstown Village: Grade A. Fresh looking Tidy Towns signage on the large Big Belly style bin asks: 'Pick it up Blanchardstown, Please! Dispose of your butts and your litter in the bins provided'. Certainly, Blanchardstown Village was very much deserving of the top litter grade. While chewing gum was obvious on the red brick paving, there were no other litter issues. Overall impression was a very good one.

Blanchardstown Centre - Penneys Entrance: Grade A. An exceptionally freshly presented and maintained environment. Paving was in excellent order; the area was well served by litter bins which were in good condition and some attractive planting.

N3 Blanchardstown Bypass / Navan Road – approach: Grade A. All aspects of this route were in very good order and there were no visible litter issues. The grass verges were well maintained.

Car Park, Blanchardstown Centre, at Penneys: Grade A. The whole area appeared very well attended, both in terms of maintenance and lack of litter. An excellent site throughout.

Clonsilla Road – approach: Grade A. Another site within the Blanchardstown area which was deserving of the top litter grade – no visible litter throughout area surveyed and verges / hedges were in good order.

Woodbrook: Grade A. The residential area of Woodbrook was a template for a Grade A site. Detailed, colourful signage illustrates the layout of the development. Paving and planted areas were in excellent condition – the whole area was spotless throughout. Well done to all concerned.

Ongar Distributor Road: Grade A. Road surface / markings / signage was all in very good order – this route presented very well with no visible litter issues. Kerbs / pavements / bus stops were all clear of litter.

Carpenterstown Avenue: Grade A. A very good impression was created throughout this residential development. As well as being very good with regards to litter, the hedges / grass verges were well maintained.

Bring Facility, SuperValu: Grade B. The recycle bin units were freshly presented and flush against the wall – preventing the dumping / build up of items which can so easily happen at such facilities. There were some items to the side of the bin units, including bag of rubbish and discarded street cone.