

Navan: 31st out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Moderately Littered.

Navan continues to suffer from a number of heavily littered areas. Top-ranking sites included a couple of the approach routes and the Bring Facility at the Main Car Park – the latter was freshly presented and maintained. A more thorough approach to cleaning along Trimgate Street could easily lift its litter grade. There was evidence of clearing of burnt items at St. Patrick's Park and generally the area was cleared of major dumping – however, it was still heavily littered. By far the most heavily littered site surveyed in Navan was along the R147 Devlin Approach Road – there was a site which wasn't just casually littered but subject to significant dumping.

St. Patrick's Terrace: Grade B. The level of litter at this residential area was such that it could easily slide to Grade C status. There were heavy levels of plastic bottles, fast-food wrappers, cans and sweet papers. A more thorough approach to cleaning is required as much of the litter was trapped between the kerb and parked cars.

Emmet Terrace: Grade A. A large expanse of green space, surrounded by houses. There was a complete absence of litter throughout. Dog fouling signage reminds the public that 'There are some things that a dog can't pick up – When they Poop, use the Scoop'.

Trimgate Street: Grade B. A more thorough approach to cleaning could easily address the litter items in those awkward to get to places e.g. at the corners of kerbs / the base of drain pipes etc. Cigarette butts were most obvious items, with lower levels of plastic bottles, plastic bags and sweet papers.

4 Boreen Keel: Grade A. While the woodwork of the house has started to decay and in need of attention, the house overall and front garden were tidy and litter free.

Preston Place: Grade B. With a little extra care and attention, especially on behalf of smokers, this could be a top-ranking site. Other items included chewing gum and fast-food wrappings.

R147 Devlin Approach Road – site just off it: Grade D. The road itself was largely fine with regards to litter. The problems arise just off it, leading to a car park and directly in front of an abandoned building (covered with ivy). This wasn't just littered, it was subject to dumping of large items e.g. bicycles, trolley, plastic piping, and all manner of miscellaneous items. This area needs urgent attention.

Bring Facility at Main Car Park: Grade A. The clothing and bottle / can recycle units were freshly presented with signage associated with the use of the facility in good condition. The area immediately surrounding the facility was fine. A separate area, especially leading down to the river presented very poorly – if not addressed this will deteriorate even further. Where does responsibility for this area lie?

St. Patrick's Park: Grade C. This site has seen considerable improvement since it was last included in IBAL Survey. The large containers, semi destroyed by fire have been removed and the hedges of rubbish have gone. This time around, there were heavy levels of a wide variety of food and alcohol litter scattered all over the site. It is clear that it requires regular attention.

N51 Athboy Approach Road: Grade A. The overall impression created along this approach route was a good one, a virtual absence of litter throughout.

R161 Trim Approach Road: Grade A. A litter free approach route into Navan. The pavement to one side shows a vista of cleanliness.