

## An Taisce Report – IBAL Anti-Litter League, Survey 2, 2024

Limerick City South / Galvone: Littered. 37<sup>th</sup> out of 40 towns / cities surveyed.

Some slippage was noted compared to the IBAL mid-year survey. Notable improvement at Recycle Facility, Roxboro Shopping Centre – while still moderately littered, it was not subject to the same levels of dumping as has been the case over a long number of years. The Weigh Station (Childers Road) was another site which was much improved but still requires attention. The residential area of O'Malley Park was heavily littered – it wouldn't typically have harboured so much litter in previous IBAL surveys. Galvone Business Park, a litter blackspot, continues to suffer from domestic dumping at one particular location at the rear / end of the facility.

**Bawnmore – Residential: Grade C+.** Litter was persistent along the kerbs / grass verges from the junction with Kilmallock Road and Roseview Drive. The area around the graveyard / Pike Rovers Sports Ground was immaculate. Most obvious items were fast-food litter and sweet wrappers.

**Galvone Road: Grade B.** A moderately littered route with a scattering of food related items, seemingly recently discarded. Site between 47 and 48 Galvone Road was littered. Litter notice warns that 'Fines for illegal dumping of Rubish is €4,000.00, along with the Litter free phone line Tel No.'

**Roxboro Shopping Centre: Grade A.** Clearly the staff at this shopping centre are very attentive – this site is consistently a top ranking one. Well done to all concerned.

**Bring Facility, Roxboro Shopping Centre: Grade B.** A much improved site with evidence of a major clean up and the installation of new clothing bin units. The area to the front of the facility presented well but there were still items to the rear of the units – likely to build up again, if not quickly addressed.

**Galvone Business Park: Grade D+.** Domestic rubbish, including children's nappies, were present in large quantities at the end of the industrial estate / business park, most notably around the signage for 'Treaty Steel'. Is this being generated within the business park or from without? Efforts have been made to address dumping with the installation of new metal cladding in the vicinity.

**O'Malley Park: Grade C.** There was a very obvious litter presence along the pavement / scattered on grass around Roseview Drive and Country View. Some individual gardens were also littered, along with vacant / boarded up properties.

**Childers Road: Grade A.** (Parkway Roundabout to Kilmallock Roundabout) Road surface, markings and signage were in good order along this route. There were minimal litter issues throughout.

**Weigh Station, Childers Road: Grade B.** Another site in Galvone which was much improved with evidence of being 'spruced up'. Overall impression was much tidier but clearly it is an area that will require attention to prevent deterioration to previous status – some alcohol and food related items still present.

**Kilmallock Road: Grade B.** There was 'recent' litter at the freshly presented bus stop and 'long-lie' items at the entrance to Kilmallock Enterprise Centre. Main items were food related, along with plastic wrapping.

**Roxboro Road: Grade A.** This approach route was very much deserving of the top litter grade, creating a welcoming impression for anybody travelling along.