

An Taisce Report - IBAL Anti-Litter League, Survey 1, 2025

Naas: 1st out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Cleaner than European Norms.

The excellent results of the last few years have been sustained at Naas – we can see that it takes a great deal of hard work on behalf of many, on a consistent basis, to achieve this result – well done to all concerned. With so many top ranking sites, a few deserve a special mention e.g. North Main Street (exceptionally freshly presented), Canal Walk at Abbey Bridge (a lovely waterside environment) and Abbey Street Car Park.

Canal Walk at Abbey Bridge: Grade A. All aspects of this waterside environment were in very good order. There was lovely 'olde' style signage relating to historic features in the area and signage associated with the canal walk was freshly presented. Seating / bins were in good order. It was very much deserving of the top litter grade.

Bring Centre, Tesco, Monread Road: Grade B+. A very freshly presented 'Bring Bank' which just missed the top litter grade. Broken glass on the ground presented poorly. The remainder of the site was in condition.

Tesco Extra, Monread Road: Grade A. This was an excellent site in terms of overall presentation and maintenance. Seating / large planter boxes / stainless steel litter bins were all very freshly presented. The whole area was excellent with regards to litter.

Abbey Street Car Park: Grade A. There was a virtual absence of litter at this town centre car park. The overall presentation was a good one.

Morell Road: Grade A. The signage at the entrance to this residential development was in good condition and the whole area was excellent with regards to litter. It was a template for a Grade A site – well done to all the residents.

Sallins Road: Grade A. Road surfaces / markings were in good order and the overall impression created along this road was a good one, creating a positive first impression of Naas. Grass verges had been recently cut, and the environs of Sallins Road Roundabout was well attended.

North Main Street: Grade A. An exceptionally freshly presented main shopping street environment with the paving / bollards looking very well. The area appeared to be well served by litter bins. Apart from some chewing gum / cigarette butts, there was a complete absence of litter throughout.

Newbridge Road: Grade A. A welcoming, litter free approach to Naas, with an abundance of greenery along both sides. A lovely feature was the planting at Newbridge Road Roundabout.

Whitewell: Grade A. Apart from some sweet wrappers at the playground area, this residential development was very much deserving of the top litter grade. Perhaps litter bin / litter awareness notice in the playground might be an idea? The overall presentation as a very good one with paving / road surface / markings and planted areas in good condition.

Kilcullen Road: Grade A. Bicycle path / main road created a litter free impression. Grasslands were very well attended. Residences were well presented.