

Navan: 28th out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Moderately Littered.

Three heavily littered sites meant Navan again missed out on clean status. The residential area of Balreask Village was very much deserving of top litter grade. Other top-ranking sites in Navan included a couple of approach roads, Beechmount Shopping Centre, Trimgate Street and Bring Facility at Long Stay Car Park. The heavily littered sites didn't get into this state overnight and need attention to prevent further deterioration – the Environs of Gas Networks Box, the area adjacent to Forester's Car Park at Brews Hill and the area under the bridge of N51.

Environs of Gas Networks Box (Academy Square 2): Grade C. The overall impression created in the immediate environs of this Gas Network Box was a very poor one, the level of dumping such that it was verging on being a Grade D site. A variety of miscellaneous items were present. Many of the items appeared 'long-lie', indicating a lack of thorough cleaning for quite some time. It's only likely to deteriorate further / be subjected to further abuse, if not addressed.

Trimgate Street: Grade A. A very freshly presented shopping street with fresh and clean looking paving, seating, bicycle parking and road signage. All was in good order, with a virtual absence of litter throughout. Planter boxes and flower beds are lovely additions to any town centre environment.

Beechmount Shopping Centre: Grade A. A clean and tidy impression was created at this shopping centre, with a virtual absence of litter throughout. Litter bins and signage were freshly presented.

Foresters Car Park, Brews Hill: Grade B+. This street level car park environment just missed the top litter grade – with a little extra care and attention this could be achieved. Signage associated with the use of same was in good order.

Area behind fencing / hedges adjacent to / attached to Forester's Car Park, Brews Hill: Grade C. This area wasn't just littered but subject to dumping, including builders' rubble and other miscellaneous items. Littering wasn't limited to just behind the fences and impacted on the overall impression created.

R161 Trim Road Approach: Grade A. This approach route was immaculate, creating a very positive first impression of Navan. Road surface / markings / signage and tree planting presented very well, with clean kerbs and pavements and well attended grass verges.

R147 Kells / Devlin Approach Road: Grade A. Clearly a careful eye is kept on the roadworks along this route – there was no litter directly associated with them. Bus stop area looked recently freshly presented. Litter free kerbs and footpath.

Area under the bridge of N51: Grade C. (behind the Bottle Bank, Long Stay Car Park, R147). There was 'long-lie' litter on the improvised pathway behind the bottle bank, leading to vacant ground underneath the bridge / flyover for N51. Evidence of vandalism and burning of materials. While this area mightn't necessarily be widely visible to the majority of the public, it is clearly being accessed by some.

Bring Facility, Long Stay Car Park: Grade A. (at R147 / N51 junction). A freshly presented and maintained 'Bring Facility' with bin units and the signage associated with the use of same in good order. Apart from some minor broken glass, it was very good with regards to litter. Signage indicates that CCTV is operating. Overall, very much deserving of the top litter grade.

Balreask Village: Grade A. The residential area of Balreask Village was immaculate. This picturesque estate was characterised by clean and tidy pavements, gardens and communal grasslands. Colourful planting at the base of the *Balreask Village No. 10-13* signage was a lovely addition.