

An Taisce Report – IBAL Anti-Litter League, Round 2, 2018

Nenagh: Overall 2018 result: 18th out of 40 towns / cities surveyed. Clean to European Norms.

A few littered sites brought down Nenagh's results compared to earlier in 2018. By far the most heavily littered site surveyed was the Recycle Bank at Tesco Car Park – it wasn't just a littered site but subject to dumping. Top ranking sites included Nenagh District Court & Environs (this was exceptionally well presented and maintained with a complete absence of litter throughout); the two shopping streets - Kenyon Street and Pearse Street – both were very good with regard to litter; Clearly a careful eye is kept on the now abandoned 'Railway Bar' as there was no litter directly associated with same.

R498 Approach Road: Grade B. A road of two halves – one half, with paving and low wall, was excellent with regard to litter. The other side of the road was littered. The road surface and markings were in good condition.

Nenagh Train Station: Grade A. All appeared in very good order at Nenagh Train Station. The woodwork of the station building appeared newly painted. There was a complete absence of litter throughout the area surveyed.

The Railway Bar – derelict / abandoned building: Grade A. Clearly a careful eye is kept on this site as there was no litter directly associated with it. Signage indicating 'No Parking & Keep Clear' was fine. There was thick moss growth on the roof.

Kenyon Street: Grade A. The overall presentation of Kenyon Street was a good one with paving, street bins, ornamental trees etc. in very good condition. Individual shop fronts presented well. There was a virtual absence of litter throughout.

Nenagh District Court & Environs: Grade A. This was an exceptionally well presented and maintained environment. The grounds were enhanced by colourful plant boxes. The fine, elegant court building looked very well. The whole area was pristine.

Pearse Street: Grade A. A fresh impression was created along this street with wide paving creating a sense of space. The paving surface, street bins, lamp-posts, seating etc. were in very good order – it was excellent with regard to litter.

Recycle Bank at Tesco Car Park: Grade D. This facility was in a shocking state. The individual recycle bins were fresh in appearance but the area to the front and in the surrounding shrubbery has been used as a dumping ground. Piles and piles of bags of clothing had been discarded in front of the green clothing units. The planted area close by was riddled with all manner of litter.

Tesco Car Park: Grade B. A large expanse of parking available 24 hours a day. The presentation of the main car park area was fine but the surrounding shrubbery had a definite litter presence – mostly food related litter with very high levels of cigarette butts.

R494 Approach from Ballina: Grade A. The overall impression created here was a positive one with a virtual absence of litter. The paving close to the town was in good condition.

M7 Connecting Road to Limerick: Grade A. By and large the overall impression along this road was a good one with regard to litter.