

**Dublin Airport Environs: 15<sup>th</sup> out of 40 Towns / Cities surveyed. Clean to European Norms**

**With seven out of ten sites getting the top litter grade, Dublin Airport Environs continue to be 'Clean to European Norms'. By far the most heavily littered site was the Naul Road, more specifically the parking areas for plane spotting.**

**Airport Roundabout: Grade A.** A very clean and tidy impression was created at this site. Grass and sculpture were in good condition. Overall, it presented a fresh and welcoming environment for any visitors arriving at Dublin Airport.

**Dublin Road from Cloghran Roundabout to Pinnock Hill Roundabout: Grade A.** There was a virtual absence of litter along this stretch of road. The road surface / signage / markings were in very good order. The bus stops were clean.

**N1 from Drumcondra Road Upper to M50: Grade A.** The overall impression created along this route was a positive one. There was a virtual absence of litter, despite very heavy levels of vehicular activity. Motorway maintenance was in good order.

**M50, Approach to M1 from Southbound direction: Grade B+.** This site just missed getting the top litter grade. Some coffee cups, plastic bottles, plastic bags and sweet papers took away from an otherwise well presented environment.

**M1 Approach to Airport Roundabout: Grade A.** This was a very good site with regard to overall presentation. The grass verges on approach to Airport Roundabout were well attended, Care needs to be taken at the recessed area (for service vehicles) that litter doesn't build up.

**Swords Road from Airport Roundabout to Northwood Avenue Exit: Grade A.** This was an excellent site, creating a good impression for any visitors. Weeds have been removed from traffic islands and the bus stops were clear of litter.

**Old Airport Rd from Swords Rd junction to Collinstown Lane / Old Ballymun Rd: Grade B+.** Much of this area was good with regard to litter but it missed getting the top litter grade due to the variety of cigarette and food related litter items at the car parking area for the 'plane spotting'. If this area was addressed it could easily be a top ranking site.

**Old Ballymun Road and approach to Blue Long Term Car Park: Grade A.** Maintenance at this road was very good with recently cut grass verges. There was a virtual absence of litter.

**Parking areas on Naul Road: Grade C.** This was by far the most heavily littered of the Dublin Airport Environs roads. There was a series of separate areas for 'plane spotting, some of them lay-bys and others paved parking – the latter had heavy levels of cigarette butts. However, the area beside a field had the heaviest levels of a wide variety of litter.

**Cloghran Roundabout to Airport Roundabout: Grade A.** In previous IBAL Surveys an area beside The Coachman's Inn had been littered – this was not the case this time around. The bus stop was also clear of litter. Now that these areas have been addressed hopefully this can continue to be a top ranking site.