

Leixlip: 11th out of 40 Towns / Cities surveyed. Cleaner than European Norms

An excellent showing by Leixlip, let down only by the Recycle Facility at Lidl, a heavily littered site that wasn't just littered but subject to dumping. Leixlip Train Station (Interior and Exterior) presented very well with regard to litter. This high standard was sustained for many more sites throughout Leixlip, including the approach roads. The Main Street and Arthur's Way were particularly good in terms of overall presentation. There is clearly great pride of the heritage and business associations in Leixlip, as evidenced by the sculpture / plaque area on the Main Street.

Leixlip Train Station – Exterior: Grade A. A clean and tidy environment with no litter issues. Litter bins and signage were in good order.

Leixlip Train Station – Interior: Grade A. A fresh impression was created here with modern facilities, newly installed e.g. bins, seats, rain shelter etc. It was spotless with regard to litter.

Approach Road: Grade A. There was a virtual absence of litter along this curving, well established route. The overall impression was of a well cared for environment.

Arthur's Way – by River: Grade A. A lovely riverside environment which was enhanced with newly installed railings, litter bins, street lights, signage etc. It was deserving of the top litter grade.

Main Street: Grade A. The Main Street presented exceptionally well. The streetscape was very attractive with lovely ironwork, paving, streetlamps, recessed sculpture area with a variety of plaques, old buildings which have been very well maintained etc.

Captain's Hill – Approach to Confey: Grade A. Road surface, markings and signage were in very good condition along this stretch of road. There was a virtual absence of litter.

Closed site of 'Inksomnia': Grade A. Clearly a careful eye is kept on this site as there was no litter directly associated with it.

Recycle Facility – Lidl: Grade C. On first impressions this facility seemed reasonable with clothing / bottle / can recycle units freshly presented and signage in good order. Closer inspection revealed a completely different story. The areas between, beneath and behind the units were not just littered but subject to dumping. This looks like a long-term build-up of items.

Lidl Car Park: Grade B+. Paving, steel bollards, signage and general presentation of this car park environment was good. Cigarette butts and fast-food wrappers took away from an otherwise well presented site.

N4 Link Road to Dublin: Grade A. A very good route in terms of presentation and litter.