



GALWAY CITY COUNCIL

LITTER MANAGEMENT PLAN

2018 – 2021

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1. Introduction:

Galway City is a harbour City on the west coast of the Republic of Ireland. It is sited where the River Corrib meets the Atlantic and it has 12 km of coastal area, and four beaches - two of which have been designated as Blue Flag Beaches. The municipal district of Galway City covers 53.4km², with a population of 79,5041¹.

The City of Galway is a Vibrant, Diverse, Cultural, University City. It is a city of learning, a city of youth, a city of rich cultural heritage and of stunning natural environment and quality of life. Located just two hours from the Capital of the Republic of Ireland, Dublin, Galway City's population today continues to grow with an influx of new residents. Galway's Irish name, Gaillimh, originates from the Irish word, gaill, meaning "outsiders" or "foreigners" and the term resonates throughout the city's history.

The aim of the Municipality of Galway City is to create a city that people aspire to live in, to work in and to visit. Galway City is fortunate to have many beautiful natural areas and it is vital that these areas are protected, enhanced and conserved. The management of litter is an important element in the maintenance of public and natural spaces. Litter can simply be described as "waste in the wrong place". It consists of any substance, material or item deposited in, or disposed of in, or within sight of a public place in such a manner as to be detrimental to the amenity of the natural or built environment.

The amount of litter that defaces our footpaths, streets, parks and beaches is one of the major environmental issues facing the country. This has been identified as such by the main agencies concerned with the environment including the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment (DCCAE), Local Authorities, Bord Failte, An Taisce and the Environmental Protection Agency.

The Litter Management Plan 2018-2021 recognises that the problem of litter will not be eradicated unless a multi-dimensional approach is taken. Indeed, every sector is involved in tackling the litter problem - the public as well as businesses or the Local Authority. A fundamental change of attitude is required on the part of the public to recognise that litter is anti-social.

¹ CSO 2016

At one level such a change can be achieved by the heightening of awareness of litter, its causes and its consequences; at another level stringent enforcement through on-the-spot fines and prosecutions may be required.

This Plan outlines objectives and targets for the next three years which will be reviewed annually. The emphasis of this Plan will be on adopting a best practice approach by seeking to:

- minimise litter in the first instance,
- create awareness about litter generation, and the negative impact of littering,
- change behaviour to reduce litter, by working in partnership with the relevant business groups, resident associations, Tidy Towns groups, sporting bodies, community groups, schools and residents of the City, to improve litter management and enforcement of litter legislation.

In preparing this Plan, due regard has been given to:

- Galway City Council's participation in the National Litter Pollution Monitoring Survey (NLPMS), refer to Appendix 1.
- Internal consultation with the Council's Environment Section Staff and Litter Management Unit
- The Irish Business against Litter (IBAL) reports for previous years,
- An Assessment of previous Local Authority Litter Management Plans,
- Connacht-Ulster Regional Waste Management Plan 2015-2021
- Connacht-Ulster WERLA requirements and national waste management priorities.
- Good practice in behavioural change approaches for positive environmental behaviours.

The aims and objectives of this Plan can only be successfully achieved through cooperation and partnership. This cooperation and partnership will require all sections within Galway City Council in particular (Environment & Climate Change, Housing, Transport & Infrastructure, Recreation & Amenity, Community & Corporate Services and Planning) to continue to effectively undertake its statutory duty and also requires businesses, citizens and visitors alike to actively play their part in the prevention and management of litter and the reduction, reuse and recycling of waste.

2. Glossary of terms

This Litter Management Plan is produced in compliance with the provisions of Section 10 and 11 of the Litter Pollution Act, 1997. The following terms contained in this document are defined hereunder for ease of reference.

"Litter" is a substance or object, whether or not intended as waste (other than waste within the meaning of the Waste Management Act, 1996, which is properly consigned for disposal) that, when deposited in a place other than a litter receptacle or other place lawfully designated for the deposit, is or is likely to become unsightly, deleterious, nauseous or unsanitary, whether by itself or with any other substance or object, and regardless of its size or volume or the extent of the deposit.

"Litter Warden" is a person authorised by a Local Authority to perform, on behalf of the Local Authority, the functions of the Local Authority and of a Litter Warden under this Act (Litter Pollution Act, 1997).

"Authorised Officer" is a person authorised in writing by a Local Authority for the purposes of the enforcement of the provisions of the Litter Pollution Act, 1997.

"On the Spot Fine" Section 28 of the Litter Pollution Act, 1997 provides as follows:- "If a Litter Warden or a member of the Garda Síochána has reasonable grounds for believing that a person is committing or has committed a prescribed offence under this Act, or a dog warden, within the meaning of the Control of Dogs Act, 1986, or a member of the Garda Síochána has reasonable grounds for believing that a person is committing or has committed an offence under Section 22, the warden or member may give the person a notice in prescribed form". This statutory notice is known as an "on the spot fine"

"Deposit" in relation to a substance or object that can constitute litter in respect of any place, means to throw, drop, dump, abandon or discard the substance or object, as the case may be, or allow it to escape or be released in or into the place.

"Recycling" means in relation to waste, the subjection of waste to any process or treatment to make it re-usable in whole or in part.

3. Legislation & Responsibilities

Under the Litter Pollution Act, 1997, and the Waste Management Act, 1996, responsibility for litter prevention lies with all persons. However, Local Authorities, businesses and members of the public have different statutory responsibilities under this act. Relevant Extracts from these Acts are provided below.

Litter Pollution Act, 1997

Section 3(1) - “No person shall deposit any substance or object so as to create litter in a public place or in any place that is visible to any extent from a public place.”

Section 4(1) - “A person who is the registered owner or is in charge of a vehicle being used to transport goods or materials shall take measures to prevent the creation of litter from the vehicle on a public road or in a public place.”

Section 6(1) - “The occupier of a public place (not being a public road or a building or other structure) shall keep the place free of litter.”

Section 6(2) - “The occupier of any land (other than land consisting of a building or other structure) that is not a public place shall keep the land free of litter that is to any extent visible from a public place.”

Section 6(4) - “Every occupier of land adjoining a public road in respect of which a built up area speed limit or special speed limit has been established in the functional area of a local authority shall keep free from litter-

- (a) Any footway adjoining the land and forming, or forming part of, a public road, and
- (b) Any area of land forming part of a public road between any such footway and the roadway.

Section 8(1) - “A local authority shall take all practicable measures for the prevention of the creation, and for the prevention and overcoming of the pollution effects, of litter in its functional area and for the control and disposal of litter and, for those purposes, may enter into arrangements

with, or assist, other persons (including other local authorities) for or in the taking of such measures on behalf of the authority.”

Section 10(1) - The local authority shall make and implement a litter management plan, and review it at least every 3 years.

Section 15(1) - “The owner, occupier or person in charge of a mobile outlet that is used wholly or partly for the sale of produce, food or drink shall, at all times when the outlet is open to customers-

- (a) Provide and maintain adequate litter receptacles in order to prevent the creation of litter at or in the vicinity of the outlet while it is in operation,
- (b) Ensure that any litter caused by the operation of the outlet is removed from the vicinity within a reasonable distance not exceeding 100 metres from the location of the outlet,

Section 22(1) - “Where faeces has been deposited by a dog in any place to which this subsection applies, the person in charge of the dog shall immediately remove the faeces and shall ensure that it is properly disposed of in a suitable sanitary manner.”

Waste Management Act, 1996

Section 32(2) - “A person shall not [, ... ,] transfer the control of waste to any person other than an appropriate person.”

This means that only the Local authority or a waste collector holding a valid waste collection permit can take the waste from a household or a commercial activity. It is the responsibility of every person transferring the control of its waste to ensure that the person to whom the waste is transferred has a valid waste collection permit.

Businesses and members of the public should be aware that they can be prosecuted for an offence under the Waste Management Act, if their waste is collected by a waste collector not holding a valid waste collection permit.

4. Litter Generators

In order to tackle litter pollution in the Galway City local authority area, the Council uses a number of methods to evaluate the existing litter problems in the City, and to establish what type of activities generate litter. Particular reference is made to:

- Surveys in the City area, Irish Business Against Litter (IBAL), National Litter Pollution Monitoring Surveys and local knowledge.
- Complaints registered and Council agenda items.
- Submissions/complaints from representative groups.

The main generators of litter pollution occurring **nationally** were identified as: passing pedestrians (42.1%) passing motorists (19.7%), retail outlets (10.3%), gathering points (7.0%), places of leisure/entertainment (5.3%), fast food outlets (4.1%), and schools/schools children (3.6%) (National Litter Pollution Report). Similar patterns and challenges exist in Galway City, and the objectives of this Litter Management Plan will put measures in place to tackle these problem areas.

5. Aims of the Litter Management Plan (2018 to 2021)

The primary aims of the Galway City Council Litter Management Plan (2018-2021) are to:

1. **Prevention & Control of Litter** - minimise the generation of litter in the first instance;
2. **Enforcement** - improve litter management and enforcement of litter legislation;
3. **Education, Public Awareness & Participation** - create awareness about litter generation, and the negative impact of littering; change behaviour to reduce litter, by working in partnership with relevant stakeholders

In all instances, Galway City Council will adopt a 'good practice', evidence-based approach.

6. Objectives of the Litter Management Plan (2018 to 2021)

Galway City Council recognises the importance of a strategic approach to deal with the challenge of litter and the implementation of this Plan. The Environment Section is committed to working as a team on the litter management strategy.

The plan is focused on delivering a quality service that will achieve a significant improvement in terms of litter management and control in our city, towns and villages.

The primary objectives of the City Council include, but are not limited to, the following:

6.1 Prevention & Control of Litter - minimise the generation of litter in the first instance

- The **identification of priorities and the deployment of resources** to meet these needs in the most cost efficient fashion.
- The **identification and delivery of the priority actions** as set out in the Connacht-Ulster Regional Waste Management Plan.

6.2 Enforcement - improve litter management and enforcement of litter legislation;

- The **integration of the litter prevention and control function** with other priority areas and functions of the Council to ensure that an integrated response to litter management and control is developed.
- The delivery of a **comprehensive monitoring and enforcement programme** to ensure that persons who fail to manage the proper disposal of litter and waste face the appropriate sanctions.
- The **review of legislation**, including the Council's Bye-Laws, to ensure that they remain fit for purpose in the current challenging environment.

6.3 Education, Public Awareness & Participation - Create awareness & Change behaviour

- The delivery of a **comprehensive education and awareness programme** to schools, community groups etc., to raise awareness of relevant legislation, challenges, opportunities etc., in relation to management of litter.
- The delivery of a **comprehensive support service to communities** to facilitate groups who wish to participate in the improvement of their areas.

7. Prevention & Control of Litter

One of the main objectives of Galway City Council is to minimise litter generation in the first instance, by raising the profile of Litter Prevention and Control initiatives. Galway City Council recognises the existence and extent of litter in the City, and that litter does not simply occur; it is caused by the actions of the general public and certain businesses.

The Council also recognises that regardless of public awareness initiatives in relation to litter prevention, there will always be a requirement to implement litter prevention and control measures. The prevention and control of litter is a priority in Galway City Council and the Council will continue to assist the community in their efforts to prevent and control litter.

Action	Description	Expected Completion Date
<p>1. Street Sweeping</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish best practice in street sweeping operations. • Maintain the existing 7 day per week street-sweeping and cleaning service in the City Centre and surrounding areas of the city on a rota basis to combat litter pollution. • Replace and upgrade street sweeping plant and utilise new technologies where possible to improve service provision. 	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p>2. Litter Bins</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Map and review the location of all litter bins within the City Boundary. • Monitor the usage of litter bins and instances of unauthorised deposits of domestic waste in public litter bins. • Carry out regular cleaning and maintenance of litter bins and provide replacements where required. • Investigate the roll out of Solar Compacting SMART Bins in the City Centre, Spanish Arch & Salthill Areas 	<p>During life of the Plan</p>

over the lifetime of this plan.

- Consideration will be given to the provision of additional litterbins following evaluation, however, the Councils long-term aim is to reduce the number of litterbins and promote anti-litter initiatives and programmes.

3. Dog Fouling

- Galway City Council has provided and maintains dog poop bag dispensers at locations around the city where there is high pedestrian traffic and instances of dog fouling to encourage dog owners to pick up and bin the pooh.
- Audio devices are being used in the Salthill area to remind dog owners of their responsibilities.

Ongoing

4. Advertising Signage

- Galway City Council propose to implement guidelines to control the erection of advertising signs whereby Event Organisers must make a written application to the Council at least two weeks in advance of a major event. Signs must not be erected seven days prior to the event and must be removed within two days of the end of the event. Where groups operate within the guidelines, no action is taken under the Litter Pollution Act. The Council will also monitor hoardings to ensure they are maintained in accordance with the conditions of the hoarding licence.
- Election candidates are informed of Council guidelines, and legislation with regard to size, location, erection and removal after the polling date of election posters.

Ongoing

<p>5. Illegal Dumping</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Galway City Council has and continues to combat the problem of fly tipping and illegal dumping of litter. Reporting of illegal dumping is encouraged and the public can report litter offences to City Council Staff and Community Wardens. All reports are followed up by the Council and is investigated as appropriate and fines are issued where possible. 	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p>6. Target known litter Black Spots</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Galway City Council has and will continue to identify and tackle litter black spots. The Council will liaise with other Local Authorities and the Connacht-Ulster WERLA to identify best practises and utilise new technologies (private investigators, covert CCTB, drone surveys, etc.,) to combat litter, illegal dumping and waste crime. Continue to apply for national funding to support this work. 	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p>7. Eliminate Litter/Waste Streams at Source.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liaise with relevant stakeholders to ensure that Litter Control and Waste Management measures are in place at major events and in the surrounding vicinity before, during and after the event. Liaise with relevant stakeholders to ensure that all mobile food outlets or operators selling fast food or beverages, or other outlets such as those selling farm produce are obliged to provide suitable litter bins in the vicinity of their outlets. Liaise with Transport and Infrastructure, Planning and other relevant departments and organisations in relation to the design of streetscapes to ensure that the longer term litter management of an area is considered at the design stage. 	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p>8. Litter Pollution</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The National Litter Pollution Monitoring System was 	<p>Ongoing</p>

<p>and Litter Quantification Surveys</p>	<p>set up by the DoEHLG in 1999 to monitor the levels of the litter pollution on a nationwide basis. The Council will continue to complete approximately 120 Litter Pollution Surveys and 100 Litter Quantification Surveys throughout the city per annum.</p>	
<p>9. Regular Inspections and Patrols</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete inspections of residential areas and commercial properties as outlined in the annual RMCEI Plan. • Community Wardens to complete regular patrols in areas where litter problems exist in laneways, parks & green spaces, waterways, etc. The increased presence on the ground and risk of prosecution should deter persons from littering. 	<p>Ongoing</p>

8. Enforcement - improve litter management and enforcement of litter legislation

The Litter Pollution Act, 1997, introduced stringent litter laws to combat the problems of litter pollution, gave new powers to local authorities to tackle the problem of litter and since its introduction significant improvements have occurred through enforcement action.

The Environment Enforcement Office and the Community Wardens follow up all litter and waste complaints, carry out details investigation and issue fines for various offences and legal proceedings. Enforcement is a key factor in eradicating the problem of litter in Galway City Council and the Council requires the involvement and cooperation of businesses, residents and local community groups. Continual review of legislation, including the Council's Bye-Laws, to ensure that they remain fit for purpose is critical to securing enforcement actions in the current challenging environment.

Action	Description	Expected Completion Date
10. Waste Enforcement Officer - Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is only one Waste Enforcement Officer operating in Galway City Council, tasked with monitoring illegal waste activities, waste permits and waste collection permit inspections, inspection of commercial premises for compliance with various waste management regulations and enforcement of litter legislation. Submissions have been made to the Department for additional resources to tackle the litter and waste problems that exist in our city and nationally and to provide a staff compliment on par with other City and County Councils. 	Ongoing
11. Bye-Laws	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Galway City Council has prepared draft bye-laws for the "Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household & Commercial Waste Bye-Laws 2018. The adoption of the new byelaws by the Council will facilitate the enforcement litter fines and prosecutions and further reduce litter arising from poor and irresponsible waste management associated with refuse collection services. 	
12. Fines & Prosecutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is an undisputed need to change public attitudes towards littering. Litter is deemed as anti-social and unacceptable behaviour. Leaving or throwing of litter in a public place is an offence and offenders may be subject to an on-the-spot fine of €150 or a maximum fine of €3000 in Court. Community Wardens will continue to enforce litter legislation by the issuing of on-the-spot fines and increasing the number of prosecutions in Court. A person convicted of a litter offence may also be required to pay the local authority's costs and expenses in investigating the 	

offence and bringing the prosecution to Court. Galway City Council will endeavour to utilize fines and prosecutions to their full extent and to provide an enhanced street cleaning service to prevent areas being spoilt by litter. In the City Centre area the majority of litter fines are issued for offences under Section 3 (1) of the Act— Litter in Public Places. The remaining litter fines are issued for the following litter offences:

Section 6 - Failure to keep area litter-free;

Section 19 - Illegal signs erected on poles/structures;

Section 21 - Distribution of advertising material to the public

**13. Enforcement
by an Garda
Síochána**



- Galway City Council will continue to work closely with An Garda Síochána to pursue enforcement measures in relation to litter and abandoned cars. The Council will encourage An Garda Síochána to issue more fines and prosecute offenders under appropriate legislation.

9. Education, Public Awareness & Participation

Education, public awareness and participation play an important role in changing attitudes and behaviours in relation to litter management. Research shows that awareness raising campaigns alone do not change behaviour - emphasising the importance of a partnership approach with relevant stakeholders in tackling negative littering behaviours, supported by litter control and management, and enforcement of legislation.

The Council recognise the need to heighten public awareness of environmental matters generally, and the need to work with residents, businesses and community groups to encourage participation in anti-litter, and waste-reduction initiatives.

Galway City Council regularly consults with other local authorities on their litter management initiatives, and attends National Litter Seminar workshops to gather ‘good practice’ and information litter management.

The Council employs an Environmental Awareness Officer and nine Community Wardens who support awareness-raising initiatives, and participation among businesses, community groups and schools in the City.

Action	Description	Expected Completion Date
<p>14. Green-Schools Programme</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All schools in Galway City are registered/ participating in the national Green-Schools programme of environmental management, operated by An Taisce – The National Trust for Ireland, on behalf of the Foundation for Environmental Education. Galway City Council will continue to support and promote the Green-Schools programme, and to work with schools to support their progression through programme themes. The Community Wardens, the Environmental Awareness Officers and other Council staff will visit primary schools throughout the year to raise awareness on the harmful effects of littering, including talks on waste management and recycling, and encouraging schools to undertake 	<p>Ongoing</p>

waste audits to examine the full lifecycle environmental impact of all the resources they use and the materials created.

- Email bulletins are sent to all schools in the City, with updates and advice on environmental issues, as well as news on upcoming events that may be of interest e.g. Schools Competitions, National Spring Clean Competition.
- New resources e.g. posters, information booklets, on relevant topics are shared with schools.

15. Gum Litter Task-force Campaign.

- Galway City Council will continue to participate in the National Gum Litter Action Campaign by IBEC, who undertake anti-gum roadshows on annual basis.

Ongoing



16. CCTV cameras will continue to be provided where feasible for detection and enforcement

- Over the last few years the Council has undertaken a number of measures to combat illegal dumping. As part of these measures, Galway City Council is to examine the use of CCTV in litter black spots. This system allows the Council to step up its efforts in detection and enforcement.
- During this year a high proportion of fines issued were detected using CCTV. This would comply with Best Available Technology Standards for litter

Ongoing



prevention.

17. Community Service Order Initiative

- Following a pilot in 2012 Galway City Council and the Probations Services carry out regular clean ups in several areas throughout Galway City. To date, this includes litter clean ups in wooded areas and beaches. Graffiti removal and other community based tasks have been carried out under this initiative.

Ongoing



Litter pick along the City Waterways & Canals

18. Garda Liaisons.



- Build on existing working relationships with Local Garda and seek assistance where required to tackle litter problems and waste crime.
- Garda assistance provided for the removal of stockpiles of material for bonfires around Halloween.

Ongoing

19. Graffiti Awareness Programmes



- The Environmental Awareness Officer is working with the local Community Garda to develop an education programme for secondary schools, which will focus on the consequences, effects and costs involved in graffiti. The Council supports community groups in tackling graffiti in their localities by supplying paint to cover over graffiti

Ongoing

	<p>and the purchase of shrubs and climbers that can be planted to fend off graffiti offenders in the long term.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The street art initiative rolled out in 2018 where local artists painted local themes onto unsightly traffic control kiosks has added some character to our street scape and will be supported in future as a deterrent to Graffiti. 	
20. Schools Competitions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each year the Council organises competitions to encourage schools to become aware of and responsible for their local environment and to contribute in a positive way to the appearance of their locality by keeping their school grounds and surrounding area well-presented and litter free. Awards are presented to the schools to acknowledge the hard work in raising awareness and pride in the local environment. The following initiatives were rolled out: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tidy Towns Garden Competition – Schools categories • Environment Calendar for Primary Schools, focusing on anti-litter theme 	Ongoing
21. National Tidy Towns Competition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council organises the annual Tidy Districts Competition locally and supports Tidy Town Committees in taking part in the National Tidy Towns Competitions. These efforts have been recognised by the increase in the marks awarded each year. 	Ongoing
22. Clean Up Campaigns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to roll out campaigns which assist and encourage the community to get involved in keeping their local area litter free. The Council 	Ongoing

assists by providing gloves, litter pickers, pooper scoopers, refuse bags and removes the bags of litter collected after the clean-up has taken place.

23. Local Agenda 21



- Support and administer the Local Agenda 21 Environmental Partnership Fund, in providing small grants which support non-profit environmental projects aimed at increasing awareness of environmental issues at local level. The projects selected promote strong anti-litter initiatives.

Annually

24. Irish Businesses Against Litter (IBAL)



- Galway City Council participates in the Irish Businesses Against Litter (IBAL) league in order to publicise the message against litter pollution.
- Galway City Council will endeavour to address litter problems highlighted in the IBAL reports each year and work in partnership with all stakeholders to improve on the scores and ranking awarded towards achieving a Litter Free City.

Ongoing

25. Ballot Bins

- Galway City Council will pilot the use of 'ballot bins' to tackle cigarette litter in the city centre. Cigarettes account for more than half of the litter on our streets (56.3%), with the amount of cigarette related litter increasing since 2016 (by 0.9%). Pedestrians are the main cause of litter (42% 2017).

Throughout 2019/2020

The Ballot Bin is a customisable bespoke ashtray that tackles cigarette butt litter. The bin was originally developed and trailed by Hubbub in the UK, where they found that in 6 weeks, the number of smokers throwing their butts on the ground

reduced by 20% in one location.

The Ballot Box asks users to ‘vote’ on questions, by disposing of their cigarette butt into the relevant ‘response option’, allowing a public opinion poll to be generated as the old butts pile up on either side of the box. Smokers are more likely to litter if the environment contains any type of litter, not just cigarette butts. More littered environments encourage more littering. The Ballot Bins will be piloted in areas with high levels of litter/ cigarette litter, to see if they are effective in encouraging better disposal of cigarette waste.

26. Plastic Free Week

- High profile Galwegians were invited to tackle the challenge of living ‘plastic free’ for the week commencing 5th February 2018, as part of Plastic Free Week in Galway City.

February – annually



22 local ambassadors joined NUI Galway, Galway Mayo Institute of Technology, schools across the city and two Mayors from the EGL Network in this initiative. Plastic Free Week aimed to reduce the use of single-use, disposable plastic products,

through action, education and example. A schools information pack, posters, banners and participants pack was developed for this promotion.

- Plastic Free Week will be continued on an annual basis, focusing on different themes/ actions every year.

27. Business Engagement

- **Sea Fest Supporters Initiative** - SeaFest, Ireland's national maritime festival, took place in Galway on the 12th of June 2018. The festival is organised by the Marine Institute, which is based in Oranmore, Co. Galway. Galway City Council and the Marine Institute collaborated to develop the 'Sea Fest Supporters' initiative. In 2018, the festival aimed to highlight the impact of plastics in our oceans, with a particular focus on reducing single-use plastics on the festival site. Businesses and organisations across the city were invited to say 'No to Plastic' in our oceans, by adopting actions to reduce single-use plastics for the festival weekend and beyond.

Similar opportunities for engagement around topic issues will be explored and supported by Galway City Council.



28. Re-use Month

- National Reuse Month takes place in October on an annual basis. Galway City Council will continue to participate in Reuse Month with initiatives such as: Reuse workshops with Sew Last Season, Galway’s social sewing space; Christmas Decoration Competition for children and adults living in Galway City; Sew Scary – Halloween Costume Competition from recycled materials, for primary, secondary and third level students.



29. Recycle Your Cycle

- As part of Reuse Month 2018, Galway City Council launched a pilot bike recycling scheme in Liosbaun Civic Amenity site, with An Mheitheal Rothar, Galway’s Community Bike workshop.

October 2018,
into 2019

On average, 15-20 bikes are left into the Liosbaun Civic Amenity Site every week, to be recycled as scrap metal. In many cases, these bikes could be recovered for parts, or repaired for reuse by a bike mechanic. Recovery of bikes from the Amenity Site will extend the lifespan of products and materials; contribute to the circular economy; and support potential cyclists to access affordable bikes.

The pilot will begin in November 2018 and will continue into 2019, to allow a review of the scheme.



30. Bulky Goods Collection

- Galway City Council offers a ‘bulky goods’ collection service for items such as mattresses, couches, tables or other items that are too big for household bins. The cost of the service is based on what is being collected.

Ongoing

31. EPA – See It, Say It App.

- Galway City Council publicises the EPA app ‘See it Say it’, through communications including the waste services leaflet, which is distributed to households annually (subject to funding).

Ongoing

32. Brinks Banks

- Investigate locations for new sites in the City Centre Area

Ongoing

33. Support of the

- ReCupán is a campaign of Transition Galway, which

Ongoing

<p>ReCupán campaign</p>	<p>encourages businesses to give at least 10 cent off when a customer uses a reusable cup instead of a take away cup. By November 2017, the campaign had over 45 businesses involved. Students in the ALIVE programme in NUI Galway linked with the campaign as part of their studies, to recruit new businesses and raise awareness of plastic use. ReCupán is complementary to the national Conscious Cup campaign, which is now becoming a national movement. Galway City Council will continue to support this campaign.</p>	
<p>34. Civic Amenity Site</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Galway City Council operates a Civic Amenity Site for households to dispose of items such as glass, oil, lightbulbs, batteries, waste electrical items, some household items and crockery at the Liosbaun Civic Amenity Site. See Section 10.1 • Mattress ‘amnesty’ collections are facilitated subject to funding. • Review opening times to provide a service from 8:30am to 17:00pm weekdays. 	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p>35. Hazardous Waste Collection</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Galway City Council facilitates households to dispose of hazardous waste items such as waste electrical items, batteries and oil at the Liosban Civic Amenity Site. See Section 10.1 • Paint collections are facilitated subject to funding. 	<p>Ongoing</p>

10. Provision of Services

Galway City Council adopted a joint Waste Management Plan for the Connacht Ulster Region. The Waste Management Plan focuses on waste prevention and minimization measures.

Galway City Council facilitates waste recycling and recovery through the provision of the Civic Amenity Site at Liosban, Bring Centres throughout the city, Non-hazardous/Hazardous Household Waste Collections and a weekly Bulky Goods collection service.

Over the past few years the Council has significantly expanded its existing facilities and will continue to introduce new initiatives where possible.

10.1 Recycling Centre (Civic Amenities Site)

The City Councils Recycling Centre (Civic Amenity Site) at Liosban Industrial Estate, Tuam Road was opened to the Public in 2007. The facilities available at Liosban Industrial Estate Recycling Centre include the following:

- A Civic Amenity Facility for certain Categories of Household Waste that cannot be accommodated in household wheelie bins.
- Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment
- Bring banks
- Link to GCC website or see list below.

The Liosban Industrial Estate Recycling Centre accepts only non-hazardous waste in accordance with its EPA Licence. During this plan the introduction of charges will be examined and may implemented in compliance with the Connaught/Ulster Regional Waste Management and the "Polluter Pays Principle".

Items Accepted include:

- Glass Type 1 - Jars & Bottles (bottle banks at facility)
- Glass Type 2 - Window Panes, Mirrors, frames/backing removed, Pyrex, drinking glasses, glass vases (open top skip at facility)
- Clean and dry clothes and shoes (dispose in Clothes banks at facility)
- Oils - Cooking Oil & Waste Engine Oil ONLY and in small quantities (maximum of 5 litres accepted)
- Oil Filters - Small quantities - maximum 2 litres accepted.
- Batteries - All household batteries and car batteries.

- Light Bulbs - Fluorescent Tubes & CFL bulbs ONLY (no ordinary light bulbs - place in landfill bin)
- Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment (WEEE)
- Domestic/ Household ONLY, Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment anything requiring a plug or battery to operate i.e. Fridges/freezers, televisions, cookers, vacuum cleaners, electric kettles, toasters, computers, microwaves, lamps, etc. Battery operated items, i.e. cameras, games, toys, torches, remote controls, calculators, etc.
- Mobile phones -- dispose in charity mobile phone recycling container.
- Large Hard Plastics - Large plastic toys, plastic basins/buckets/containers, plastic garden furniture, car baby seats, plastic laundry baskets, PVC windows & doors (ensure all metal & glass is removed).
- Waste Metals - Bicycles, metal pots/pans/buckets, metal ironing boards, metal household racks, metal stools/chairs (seats removed), gas heaters (cylinder removed), non-electrical lawnmowers, fire-guards/grates, metal stepladders, buggies.
- Timber - Wooden chairs/stools (seats removed), timber doors and window frames (all metal & glass removed), timber ladders, large wooden furniture items, i.e. wardrobes, will be accepted only if disassembled & all metal & glass removed, timber floors (typical household quantity only from DIY works), wicker baskets/chairs, wooden stakes/fencing.
- Ceramics - Crockery, delph, flowerpots, small quantity of tiles (consistent with small household DIY works), sanitary ware, ornaments.

10.2 Bring Centres

The Council currently provides 12 bottle banks and is actively seeking new sites to expand this network. Bring Centres are organised by the Council and serviced by various contractors. The DCCAE and Repak provide funding for these sites. Householders are encouraged to bring their recyclables to these bring centres free of charge.

The increased activity at bottle banks has brought with it an increase in the incidence of dumping and littering. Community Wardens monitor bring centre sites to ensure a rapid response to illegal dumping. Galway City Council will carry out the following:

- Inform the public of the location of bring centres and make them aware of the types of materials that can be deposited;
- Ensure that the Service Contractor takes due care when emptying the bring centres; and
- Link with Communities to ensure that bring centres are emptied on time.

Bottle Bank Locations in Galway City

1	Ballybane - Ballybane Shopping Centre
2	Doughiska - Centra
3	Galway City - City Hall
4	Galway City - Civic Amenity Site
5	Galway City - Dyke Road
6	Galway City - Galway SC
7	Galway City - Terryland
8	Galway City - Western Distributor Rd.
9	Galway City - Westside SC/Siobhan Mc.Kenna Road
10	Knocknacarra - Joyce's Supermarket
11	Renmore Kingfisher Club
12	Salthill - Toft Park

10.3 Street Cleaning

The Council employs staff members and uses a best available plant and machinery for street cleansing operations. For the purpose of street cleansing the City is divided into four areas. The cleansing programme for each area includes the following:

- Street sweeping and washing;
- Emptying and upkeep of litterbins.
- Liaison with members of the public in relation to Litter awareness.

Machinery used for street cleansing includes the following:

- 3 Large Sweepers;
- 2 Compact Sweepers; and
- 6 Pick Ups.

10.4 Provision of Bins

The Council provides and services approximately 180 litter bins throughout the city. Businesses are encouraged to provide and service litterbins within the curtilage of their premises. Litter bins are emptied frequently, positioned and sized appropriately for the location being serviced to reduce the potential for litterbins to become litter generators.

10.5 Complaints & Reports from the Public

All complaints and reports from the public with regard to litter are logged on a database and directed to the appropriate section and staff members for action. The Council will endeavour to investigate all litter complaints and reports within one week and implement appropriate actions.

10.6 Protected Areas

In the Galway City Council functional area there are a number of designated sensitive and protected habitats and wildlife. Litter has significant impacts on these habitats and wildlife, with the impact of plastics on marine life being a real threat to our ecosystem. The City Council carries out regular litter pick on our beaches and parks, participates in the Blue Flag and Green Coasts schemes, assists and promotes regular Beach Clean-ups organised by community groups.

11. Costing and Resources

Funding for implementation of Action in the Litter Management Plan is dependent on the following:

- Provision in the Council Annual Budget;
- Anti-Litter Grants and Enforcement/Awareness Grants from Government Departments.

In 2018 the total budget requirement for all services provided by the Litter Management Unit in Galway City, street cleaning, bin servicing, litter picking, recycling facilities, anti-litter initiatives and awareness programmes is €2.38million.

12. Review of Litter Management Plan

This Litter Management Plan has been prepared for implementation between 2018 and 2021. Its implementation and effectiveness will require regular monitoring and review if its objectives are to be achieved. When this Litter Management Plan concludes in 2021 all of the objectives outlined will be reviewed to determine the success and effectiveness on the objectives and measures put in place to reduce litter in Galway City.

13. Working in Partnership

Litter is generated by all sectors of society; its elimination will only be achieved by encouraging the public, businesses and community groups to take responsibility for their own actions.

The objectives set out in this Litter Management Plan are the cornerstones for litter pollution control in Galway City Council.

Many of the objectives and ensuing actions proposed require the support of businesses and community/residential groups and individuals in combating litter through joint initiatives.

The City Council recognises that it is through the development of Partnerships with representatives from various business, community/residential groups and organisations, combined with the support/participation of the Elected Members, Strategic Policy Committee (SPC) and Local Authority Staff across all sections that Galway City Council will strive to deliver a litter free environment for all to enjoy.

14. Summary

Three pronged approach based on aims of

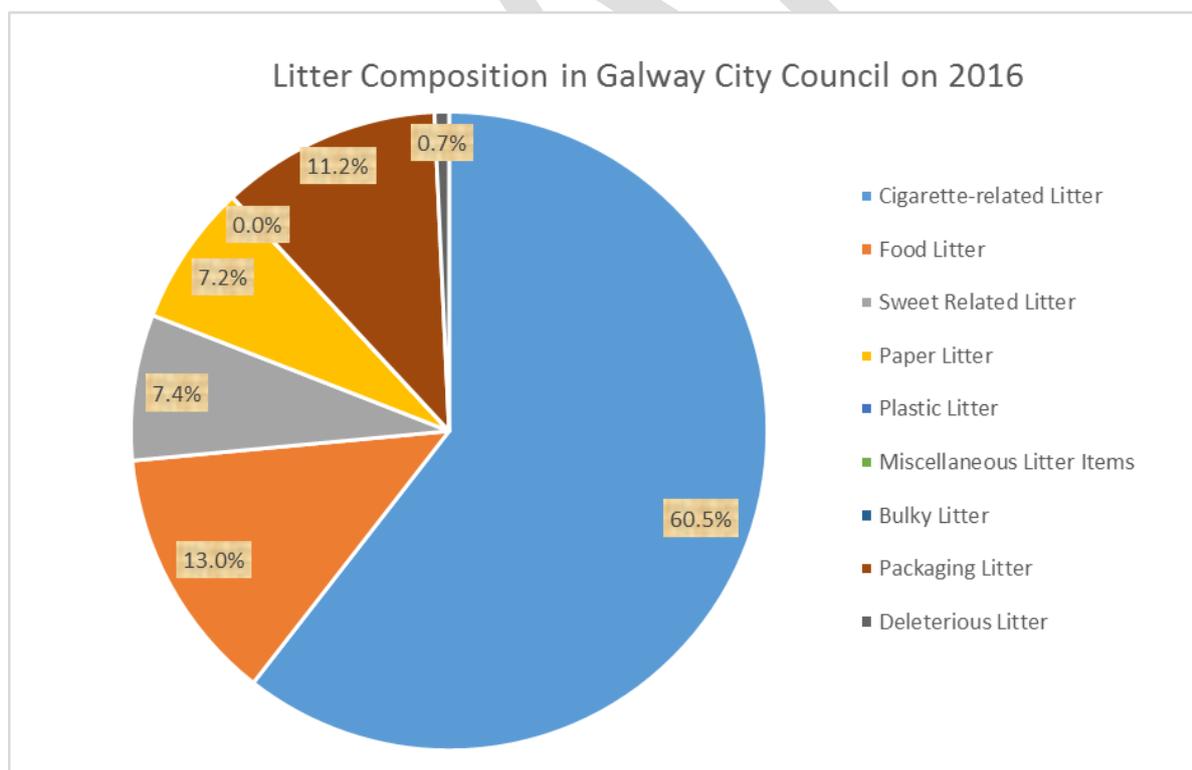
1. **Prevention & Control of Litter** - minimise the generation of litter in the first instance;
2. **Enforcement** - improve litter management and enforcement of litter legislation;
3. **Education, Public Awareness & Participation** - create awareness about litter generation, and the negative impact of littering; change behaviour to reduce litter, by working in partnership with relevant stakeholders

In all instances, Galway City Council will adopt a 'good practice', evidence-based approach. Learn from local, national and international experiences tackling litter, and changing behaviour and attitudes towards litter.

Appendix 1 – National Litter Pollution Monitoring Survey (NLPMS)

The results of the Litter Pollution Monitoring Surveys from previous years are presented in the table below. Cigarette related litter, food litter and packaging letter are the worst sources of litter.

LITTER COMPOSITION	2013 % of Total	2014 % of Total	2015 % of Total	2016 % of Total
Cigarette-related Litter	36.1%	59.3%	89.2%	60.5%
Food Litter	38.7%	14.9%	5.2%	13.0%
Sweet Related Litter	0.7%	7.2%	2.3%	7.4%
Paper Litter	8.0%	5.8%	0.5%	7.2%
Plastic Litter	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Miscellaneous Litter Items	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Bulky Litter	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Packaging Litter	14.5%	10.7%	2.9%	11.2%
Deleterious Litter	1.6%	1.3%	0.0%	0.7%





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**Love your City –
Manage Your Waste**

Galway City operates a 'three bin' system in homes across the city. The bins are for:

Waste Services in Galway City

Keeping Galway Clean and Green!

Recycling:
Clean, dry and loose waste, including rigid plastics, tins and cans, paper and cardboard. Ireland has a new household recycling list, see www.RecyclingIreland.ie for a downloadable list you can stick to your fridge. Most of our recycling is exported – making it even more important that it is clean, dry and loose.

Organic waste:
All food and garden waste e.g. cakes, dairy products, fish, poultry, fruit, grass and hedge clippings, coffee grinds, wet paper and cardboard, egg shells, bones and teabags. To reduce odour problems, and to keep the inside of your bin clean, you can wrap food waste in old newspaper before placing it in the bin. Most organic waste from Galway City is processed by Barna Recycling to produce compost which is used by farms around the county.

Waste Services in Galway City
This handy leaflet outlines waste services available to households in Galway City – keep it in your kitchen for reference. You can find more information on www.galwaycity.ie or by calling Galway City Council Customer Services on 091 536 400.

General waste:
Non-hazardous waste that can't be composted or recycled e.g. ashes, dirty plastic, nappies, biscuit wrappers, blades, dirty tin foil, meat wrapping, non-CFL lightbulbs, teatubing tubes. This waste goes to landfill or by export for energy recovery.

Electrical Equipment
Did you know if you've bought a new electrical appliance or piece of equipment, the retailer will take back the old appliance/equipment, free of charge, on a one-for-one, like-for-like basis? Look for the WEEE symbol in shops.

Burning Waste
Sometimes people burn waste to save money or reduce waste going to landfill. But burning waste is not only a nuisance to neighbours, it can release many harmful chemicals into the air you breathe. These chemicals can include toxic dioxins which are a real environmental hazard, and can damage your health, as well as affecting children and people with asthma, bronchitis or heart conditions. Disposal of waste by uncontrolled burning is an offence under both the Air Pollution Act, 1987, and the Waste Management Act 1996 as amended. If you see illegal burning of waste, please report it to Galway City Council on 091 536400 or to the Environmental Protection Agency confidential telephone service on 1850 365 121 or on the 'See it Say it App' for IOS and Android.

Batteries
Batteries must never be placed in household waste – most batteries contain heavy metals, which are extremely hazardous to both the environment and human health, and can permeate into soil and water supplies if they are placed into landfill. You can return batteries, free of charge, in many shops or electrical retailers in the city. Galway City Council will also take back used batteries in the Civic Amenity Centre in Liosban Industrial Estate, Tuam Road. You can collect a battery recycling box from City Hall to store your used batteries until you dispose of them.

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Community Clean Up
If you'd like to organise a community clean up, Galway City Council will provide bags and gloves, and will arrange pick-up of green waste/ general litter.

Bulky Goods
If you have waste that is too big for your household bins, you can avail of the Bulky Goods Collection Service. The cost of this service depends on what you want to dispose of. To check prices or to book a collection, contact Galway City Council's Customer Services team.

Dogs
Dogs are man's best friend, but their faeces are not! Uncollected dog faeces are a health hazard that carry many infections, including roundworm (which is a threat to barefooted children as it can pass through a child's skin), echinococcosis (where wind or flies transport parasite eggs to homes, where they can deposit on human food), fish tapeworms, brucellosis, canis, and leptospirosis. It's also really smelly and hard to remove from carpets and shoes! Given these health hazards, it's really important that when your dog does its business, it's your business too! Under the Litter Pollution Act 1997, dog owners are obliged to clean up after their pet if they foul in a public place e.g. the street, or a park. If you don't clean up after your pet, you may receive an on-the-spot fine of €150. Unpaid fines can lead to a prosecution in Court, with a much larger penalty.

Community Clean Up
If you'd like to organise a community clean up, Galway City Council will provide bags and gloves, and will arrange pick-up of green waste/ general litter.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
If you have old clothes, textiles, toys, books or furniture that are in good condition, they could be donated to charity or given away through sites such as www.freetradeireland.ie. Check with your local school to see if they are having a car boot sale where you could sell your unwanted items.

Dog Licenses
All dogs must be licensed.

Type of Dog Licence	Cost	Purchase From
Standard Individual Dog Licence	€70	Online/Post Office
General dog licences for multiple dogs (e.g. kennels)	€400	Local Authority only
Lifetime Dog licence	€140	Online/Post Office

 Licences can be purchased online at licences.ie

Civic Amenity Site
Galway City Council provides a facility for households to dispose of items such as glass, oil lightbulbs, batteries, waste electrical items, some household items, and crockery at the Liosban Civic Amenity Site, Liosban Industrial Estate, Tuam Road, Galway. See the full list on www.galwaycity.ie. Please note paint is not currently accepted. Future collections will be advertised.

Litter and Illegal Dumping – It's Not in Our Nature, is it in Yours?
Litter is one of the visible, and unattractive, sides of waste generation. In 2017, 187 Litter Fines were issued in Galway City. Galway City Council spends over €2million on street cleaning every year – this includes emptying bins, collecting litter, sweeping roads, sweeping footpaths, collecting illegally dumped material, and graffiti removal. Leaving or throwing litter in a public place is an offence which is liable to an on-the-spot fine of €150, with fines of up to €3,000 on conviction. This includes bottles or textiles that have been left beside bottles/ textile banks. If banks are full, please report them to Galway City Council Customer Services. If you see illegal dumping, please report it to Galway City Council on 091 536400 or to the Environmental Protection Agency confidential telephone service on 1850 365 121, or on the 'See it Say it App' for IOS and Android.

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Information correct as of June 2018

Do Dhramhail a Bhainistiú – Ag Tabhairt Aire Don Timpeallacht

Athchúrsáil:

Dramhail ghlan, thirim agus scaoilte, ina measc: pláisteach docht, stáin agus eannaí, páipéar agus cairichláir. Tá liosta nua athchúrsála (i ar fáil anois, féach www.RecyclingIreland.ie chun an liosta a fíorchoipeáil agus féadfaidh tú an liosta a chur in áirde ar an gvuineoir. Déantar formhór den athchúrsáil a easpórtáil lena phróiseáil – mar sin tá sé níos tábhachtaí féach go mbeadh an t-ábhar glan, thirim agus scaoilte.

Dramhail Ghinearálta:

Dramhail neamhghnaisceach nach féidir a athchúrsáil ná mairtín a dhéanamh de e.g. luathreosach, glaisreosach salach, ctúidíní, clúdach bitéiseal, lanna, scráil stáin salach, cumhachadh freola, bolgáin solais tréamh CLF, tóibí tuos fása. Téann an dramhail sin isteach i líonadh talún nó easpórtáiltear é chun fuinneamh a athshlánú.

Tinte cnámh

Ná fág aon ábhar amach i do cheantar a d'fhéadfaí a úsáid ar bhinte cnámh. Tá cosc ar bhinte cnámh a léasadh agus bíonn sé contrárach do leanaí, don fhíadhláir, do mhaoine agus don timpeallacht. Má fheiceann tú tinte cnámh – tuairiscigh é chuig Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe ar 091 536 400 nó chuig an nGníomhaireacht um Chaomhnú Comhábail ar 1890 365 121 nó ar an 'See It Say It' app do IOS agus Android.

Ceallraí

Níl son eochair ceallraí a chur in éineacht le dramhail tí – tá níodál throma i bhformhór na gceallraí, atá thar a bheith contrárach don timpeallacht agus do shláinte an duine aron agus féadfaidh siad dul isteach san tithir agus i soláthairtí uisce má chuirtear i líonadh talún iad. Féadfaidh tú ceallraí a thabhairt ar ais, saor in aisce, i go leor stópaí nó miondíoltóirí leictreachais sa Chathair. Tigfadh Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe ar ais ceallraí úsáide san Ionad Tíreosolachta Cathartha in Eastát Tíreosólachta an Leasa Bháin, Bóthar Thuama. Féadfaidh tú boscaí sábháil do cheallraí ó fháil i Halls na Cathrach chun na ceallraí úsáidh a stóráil ann go dtí go ndéanfaidh tú iad a dhísceáil.

Earraí Téagartha

Má tá dramhail agus nó eile do na boscaí bruscair tí, féadfaidh tú leas a bhaint as an tSeirbhís Bailithe Earraí Téagartha. Braithfidh cosna na seirbhíse ar na nithe a dhéanann uait fáil réidh leo. Chun prósáil a sheiceáil nó chun bailiúchán a chur in áire, téigh i dtimpeallacht le do thail leis an bhfoireann Seirbhíse do Chustaiméirí i gComhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe.

Laghdaigh, Athúsáid, Athchúrsáil

Má bhíonn seandéach, teicéil, breághán, leabhair nó troscán acaibh atá i ríocht maith go fóill, is féidir leat iad a thabhairt do charthanas nó iad a thabhairt uait trí láthreán, mar shampla www.freetradereiland.ie. Téigh i dtimpeallacht le do scoil áitúil le go bhfeicfidh tú an bhfuil díolachán áitúil á dhó, acu chun go bhféadfaidh tú na rudá nua bhfuil uait a dhíol.

Láithreán Conláiste Cathartha

Cuireann Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe áiseanna ar fáil do dhaoine a bhfuil eánas orthu sa chathair chun fáil réidh le rudá mar ghloine, ola, bolgáin solais, ceallraí, ábhair leictreachais atá in úsáid ó mháth, agus sraith ar an Láthair Conláiste Cathartha, Eastát Tíreosólachta an Leasa Bháin, Bóthar Thuama, Gaillimh. Feach ar an liosta go léir ar www.galwaycity.ie

Oibríonn Cathair na Gaillimhe córas 'trí bhosca bruscair sna tithe cónaithe ar fud na cathrach. Úsáidtear na boscaí sin do:

Dramhail Orgánach:

Sach dramhail bia agus ón ngairdín e.g. céasál, táirgí déiríochta, iasc, énscoil, tortbaí, scotháin féir agus tóin, caifé, páipéar agus cairichláir fluch, blasoc uibhe, crámha agus málaí tae. Chuan an boladh bréan a laghdú agus an bosca bruscair a chloimeáil glan, cuir páipéar nuachtá timpeall ar an mbia nua geitireann tú sa bhosca bruscair é. Banna Recycling a dhéanamh próiseáil ar dhramhail orgánach i gCathair na Gaillimhe agus cruthaítear mairtín as a úsáidtear ar fheirmeacha ar fud an chontae.

Is féidir leat na soláthóirí bailithe dramhaíola is fearr leat a roghnú, nó is féidir leat do chuid dramhaíola a thabhairt chuig sooráid diúscartha údaráithe más mian leat.

City Bin www.citybin.com 1800 24 89 24
 Banna Recycling www.bannarecycling.com 091 771610
 WERS Waste www.werswaste.ie 1890 229377

Trealamh Leictreach

An rabh a fhios agat má dhéanann tú fearas nua leictreach nó píosa trealamh go bhfuil sé de dhúil agus an miondíoltóir an seailsear/an seantrealamh a thógáil ar ais saor in aisce ar bhonn ceann ar cheann? Cuardaigh an stiombail WEEE sna stópaí.

Gloine

Is féidir leat gloine a athchúrsáil ag bainc ghloine ar fud na cathrach. Bíonn boscaí treabhaí formhórtha leis, ina measc mairtínna sin freisin chun fabraic/gadair a athchúrsáil. Má bhíonn na bainc lán, tuairiscigh é le do thail chuig Seirbhís do Chustaiméirí Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe – ná fág buidéal/teicéil ann má bhíonn na bainc lán, mar gur leorann sin agus dumpáil mhídhleathach. Tá córas CCTV ag go bhfuil na bainc thabhartha, agus úsáidtear iad chun daoine a bhágan tuáil ag na bainc thabhartha a aithint, agus gearradh fineálacha roimhe seo ar dhaoine faoi Acht um Thruaillíocht ó Bhruscair nuair a fachtas iad ag déanamh amháidh.

Madraí

B'fhéidir gur breá le daoine madraí ach ní breá leo a geall salachair i comhár don tsáinte é salachar madraí a fhágtar i lár an bhéaláigh agus scaiptear ionfhabhrúchá leis, ina measc crainnspéir (is féidir le gearrú é a phléachadh, suas trí shivleann siad air gan aon bhóga, mar téann sé tríd an gearraicinn). éascaicéit (nuair a tompraíonn an ghas nó míoláige albhéach na paraisíte go dtí teach baile daoine agus go dtéann siad i dtimpeallacht leis an mbá a itear), péist ríonreoch, brúeláil cáis agus léipteoirs. Bíonn boladh bréan usáidh freisin agus is deacair é a ghlanadh ó chairpéid agus ó bhógaí. Mar gheall ar an geonóir sin don tsáinte, tá sé ríthábhachtach gur tusa as freagraoch nuair a fhágan do mhadrá a chuid salachair ina dhiaidh. Faoi Acht um Thruaillíocht ó Bhruscair 1997, tá sé de dhúil agus ar úinéirí madraí salachar a geall madraí a ghlanadh ó áiteanna poiblí e.g. ar an tsráid, ag an bpáirc. Mura ndéanann tú suas i ndiaidh salachair do pheana, d'fhéadfaí fineál 150 a ghearradh ort leithreach. Féadfaidh tú a thabhairt chuig Oifige Mura nó iocfaidh iad sin agus pionós i bhfad níos mó a ghearradh ort.

Ceadúnais Madraí

Cathrúch ceannas a bheith ag gach madra.

An Cineál Ceannais Madraí	Costas	Le ceannach ó
Ceadúnas Caighdeánach do Mhadraí Anoir	€20	Ar líne/Oifig an Phoist
Ceadúnas ginearálta madraí do go leor madraí (éag nó madraí)	€400	Ón Udarás Áirde agus sin amháin
Ceadúnas Saoil don Mhadraí	€140	Ar líne/Oifig an Phoist

Is féidir ceannais a cheannach ar líne ag licenais.ie



Seirbhísí Dramhaíola i gCathair na Gaillimhe

Gaillimh a Choinneáil Glan agus Glas!

Leagtar amach sa bhileog eolais áisiúil seo na seirbhísí dramhaíola atá ar fáil do theaghlacha i gCathair na Gaillimhe – fág sa chistin é le go mbeidh tú in ann é a léamb. Tá tuilleadh eolais le fáil ar líne ag www.galwaycity.ie nó is féidir glaoc ar Sheirbhís do Chustaiméirí Chomhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe ar 091 536 400.

Dramhail a Dhó

Uaireanta lassann daoine a gcuid dramhaíola chun aigeoid a shabháil nó chun an méid dramhaíola a thóann sa bhóidh talún a laghdú. Ach ní amháin go geitireann do dhramhaíola isteach ar chomharann, scoláire ceimiceán óbháilacha amach eor eor a anailísiú tuáil. Bíonn dlí-ocsaíid tithíochta sna ceimiceáil sin a dhéanamh dochar mór don timpeallacht agus don tsáinte agus cuireann siad isteach ar ghasair agus ar dhaoine a bhíonn ag fuáing le plóichadh, brúicíteas nó timneas cróí eile. Is éoin é Eoin Acht um Thruaillíocht, 1987 agus faoi Acht um Beirteáil Dramhaíola 1996 emá leas é dhéanadh a dhéanadh nó do na mairtínna. Má fheiceann tú dramhail a dhó go mídhleathach – tuairiscigh é chuig Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe ar 091 536 400 nó chuig an nGníomhaireacht um Chaomhnú Comhábail ar 1890 365 121 nó ar an 'See It Say It' app do IOS agus Android.

Bruscair agus Dumpáil Mhídhleathach - Níor mbaineann sé Leatsa?

Is gránas an rud bruscair a fheiceáil caite thar. In 2017, eiseoidh 107 Fíneál Bruscair i gCathair na Gaillimhe. Carthann Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe os clom €2 milliún ar ghlantáin arísle goch béin – ina measc boscaí bruscair a thabhairt, bóithre a scuabadh, coisín a scuabadh, ábhar a bhíonn dumpáil go mídhleathach a bhailiú agus graifítí a ghlanadh. Is éoin é bruscair a fheiceáil nó a chaitheamh in áit phoiblí agus féadfaidh fineál 150 a ghearradh ort leithreach nó fineál níos airde fíil de €3000 má thóann tú sa chathair. Ina measc sin, buidéal nó teicéil a fhágtar in áite le bainc buidéal/teicéil. Má bhíonn na bainc lán, gluáil ar na Seirbhís do Chustaiméirí i gComhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe agus cuir an méid sin in iúl do thail. Má fheiceann tú dumpáil mhídhleathach – tuairiscigh é chuig Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe ar 091 536 400 nó chuig an nGníomhaireacht um Chaomhnú Comhábail ar 1890 365 121 nó ar an 'See It Say It' app do IOS agus Android.

Glanadh Suas an Phobail

Má theastaíonn uait glantáin pobail a eagrú, cuirfidh Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe na málaí agus na lámhairt ar fáil chun sin agus scoirfaid go mbeidh an dramhail ghlas/an bruscair ginearálta.