

Please bin your butts!

DID YOU KNOW?

- Cigarette butts account for 60% of all street litter in Dublin City
- Cigarette related litter makes up over 50% of all litter items nationally.
- Cigarette butts are not biodegradable.
- It takes 12 years for a cigarette butt to break down.
- The chemicals found in one cigarette butt can leach out and contaminate approximately 7.5 litres of water within one hour.
- The Ocean Conservancy found that cigarette butts were top Litter Item found on beaches across 190 countries during their International Clean Up Day in September 2017 - Clean Coasts programme hosts a national clean up as part this worldwide ocean clean up with the Big Beach Clean in September of each year.



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