

This week Dublin’s Q102 looked at Picker Pals and littering in Ireland

**Did you know…**

* 54% of all litter in Ireland is cigarette butts.
* In 2019, the National Litter Pollution Monitoring System reported that pedestrians caused the highest level of litter pollution at 41%.
* When litter breaks down, it releases toxic gases and chemicals that make its way into the air, soil and waterways.

**What is Picker Pals?**

* Picker Pals is primary school programme inspiring and equipping children to become the next generation of environmentalists

**How can I help keep my community free of litter?**

* Dispose of your waste correctly.
* Volunteer with clean-up groups or Tidy Town committees
* Make sure your area is clean by heading out on a litter picking adventure

**Here’s a few websites if you want to know more !**

[**Picker Pals**](https://pickerpalsworld.org/)

[**Ireland litter picking**](https://www.litterpickers.ie/)

