

Dublin was showing all the signs of an epic hangover first thing this morning...

But the city is cleaning up well. There's little sign of the carnage normally associated with the post-Paddy's Day cleanup this morning.

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DUBLIN CITY IS showing all the signs of an epic hangover this morning after yesterday's Patrick's Day festivities.

However, while the city centre may have been thronged with festivalgoers for much of yesterday, the cleanup operation appears to have been significantly less troublesome than in times past.

While there are telltale signs of a night of merriment along O'Connell Street, O'Connell Bridge, and on into Temple Bar, the city council has been evidently been busy overnight with most of those areas looking almost as good as new.

While there were still plenty of discarded plastic pint glasses and ill-fated curry-chip receptacles (and a truly heroic aroma of stale beer) about the place, the vast majority of the city centre is almost back to itself.



In fact, leaving aside a seeming vast increase in the amount of commercial waste left for collection this morning (and council workers cleaning up en masse), it could be any other Saturday morning.

Which is a far cry from the state of Temple Bar this time last year:

Well done Dublin City Council. Although, it wouldn't be a Paddy's Day hangover worth its salt without a pair of shoes carefully placed in line across the footpath: