



Reference: EIR-879

Request:

Littering Fine Value:

1. Do you issue fines for littering? YES/NO
2. If so, at what level do you levy fines?
3. The Government said in March 2023 that they are increasing the upper limit on fines for littering to £500.
 - a. Will you be levying fines at this level?
 - b. If not, at what level will you levy fines for littering?

Enforcement & Statistics:

1. Do you use an in-house team or private enforcement company to issue fines for littering?
2. How many fines (FPNs) for littering were issued in your council area in 2021/2022?
3. How many fines (FPNs) for car parking were issued in your council area in 2021/2022?

Litter Bins:

1. How many litter bins do you have in your council area now?
2. How many litter bins did you have 10 years ago?
3. Have you removed any litter bins in the past 10 years, and if so, how many?

Litter Clearance Costs:

1. What was your annual spend on litter clearance 2021/2022 and how does this compare to 2011/2012?

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Response:

Littering Fine Value:

1. Yes
2. Leaving Litter (s.87 (1) The Environmental Protection Act 1990) £80 or £60 if paid within 14 days. Maximum fine is £2500 upon conviction.
3. a. No
b. There are currently no plans to change the rate.

Enforcement & Statistics:

1. In-house team
2. 129
3. 25,559

Litter Bins:

1. The exact number is not held; however, it is around 2,600.
2. This part of the request is refused under Regulation 12(4)(a) of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. The reason for this is the Authority does not hold this information.
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Litter Clearance Costs:

1. 2021/22: £2.901m
2011/12: £4.079m

Please note, these figures are for "street cleansing services" which includes litter clearing. Litter clearing is not recorded separately.

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