

Reference: EIR3742

## Request:

Could you please answer the following questions with regards to Littering and Fly-tipping in your area - thank you!

Littering:

Please could you provide the requested data per year for the last 5 years (2015-2020)

1. What is the fine cost of a littering Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN)?

The fine for littering is £80, reduced to £60 if paid within 14 days.

2. How many FPNs did you issue for littering?

Please note, information is not held prior to 2017. NTC has only been issuing fines for littering since PSPO came into effect in March 2017

Number issued - 2017 = 7, 2018 = 43, 2019 = 108 and 2020 = 51.

3. How many FPNs for littering were paid for each year over the last 5 years?

Number paid - 2017 = 4, 2018 - 21, 2019 = 56 and 2020 = 16.

4. How many council complaints have you had for littering?

Please see the attached documents for details of any complaints and precomplaints categories as littering (or fly tipping).

5. How many employees do you have that litter pick and how has this number changed over the last 5 years?

Within the Street Cleansing service area there are approximately 75 employees who will carry out litter picking as part of their role. Some are dedicated to litter picking tasks and others include mechanical road sweeper and pick up drivers servicing litter bins that will also litter pick areas they are working. This is boosted annually by a further 20 seasonal litter pickers who are recruited for the Big Spring Clean Campaign and summer season at the coast. The council also employees 32 seasonal grass cutters between March and October who will carry out litter picking as part of their role as well. These staffing levels have been consistent over the last 5 years.

6. How many journalist inquiries regarding litter picking have you received over the last 5 years?

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Information not held - Journalist enquiries are not recorded/logged in this level of detail.

7. How many staff members were furloughed during 2020 and 2021?

0

Fly-tipping:

Please could you provide the requested data per year for the last 5 years (2015-2020)

1. What is the fine cost for a Fly-tipping FPN?

The fine for fly tipping is £400.

2. How many fly-tipping FPN have you issued for each year over the last 5 years?

Number issued - 2017 = 1, 2018 = 11, 2019 = 22 and 2020 = 14.

Number paid - 2017 = 0, 2018 = 5, 2019 = 5 and 2020 = 2.

3. How much money was collected from FPNs for Fly-tipping each year for the last 5 years?

Total collected to date is £4800.

4. How many reports/complaints on fly-tipping did you receive for the above time frame?

2015 = 1911 reports

2016 = 2132 reports

2017 = 2250 reports

2018 = 3395 reports

2019 = 3746 reports

2020 = 4441 reports

5. What is the cost to the council to rectify fly-tipping offences?

Information not held - the specific cost of clearing up fly tipping is not recorded, it is part of the wider budget for Street Cleansing and Waste Disposal but is not specifically broken down in this level of detail.

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