



Community Safety Environmental Enforcement

Enforcement Outcome Monitoring
1st April 2014 – 31st Jan 2015

This table outlines the volume of environmental offences the Community Safety Team has investigated, broken down by offence type and the outcome of the investigation. The figures in brackets are whole year figures for 2013/14 to enable comparison.

		ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME TYPE								TOTAL	
		Fly Tipping	Fly Posting	Dog Fouling	Graffiti	Littering	Trade Waste	Waste Carriers Licence			
Cases Investigated		86 (68)	40 (36)	5 (10)	1 (5)	5 (22)	2 (5)	2 (3)	141 (149)		
On-going Investigations		30	1	2	1	2	0	0	36		
ENFORCEMENT OUTCOMES	No Further Action	38 (60)	15 (19)	0 (0)	0 (5)	2 (10)	0 (2)	0 (2)	55 (98)		
	Advice	7 (5)	3 (2)	3 (10)	0 (0)	0 (3)	1 (1)	0 (0)	14 (21)		
	Verbal Warning	0 (1)	4 (4)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	4 (5)		
	Written Warning	9 (1)	17 (11)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (4)	1 (2)	0 (0)	28 (18)		
	FPN	2 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (5)	0 (0)	2 (1)	4 (7)		
	Court Proceedings	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)		

*NFA includes: lack of evidence, offender untraceable or no crime detected.

Enforcement action can be taken at any level at the discretion of the enforcement officer based on the severity and frequency of the incident. Enforcement is not escalated incrementally.

This table outlines the volume of abandoned vehicle offences the Community Safety Team has investigated and the outcome of those investigations. The figures in brackets are for the whole year period 2013/14 to enable comparison.

ABANDONED VEHICLES			
Cases Investigated		67	(73)
On-going Investigations		0	(0)
ENFORCEMENT OUTCOMES	No Further Action*	40	(48)
	48hr Notice Issued (ABV Only)	17	(16)
	15 Day Notice (private land only)	1	(0)
	Removed to Storage (ABV only)	9	(9)

*NFA includes: vehicle not found, vehicle removed by owner, advice given or vehicle not classed as abandoned.

This table details the number of fixed penalty notices issued and paid from Apr 2014 to Jan 2015

FIXED PENALTY NOTICES								
	Fly Tipping	Fly Posting	Abandoned Vehicles	Dog Fouling	Graffiti	Littering	Trade Waste	Waste Carriers Licence
Amount of FPNs Issued	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2 [†]
Number of FPNs Paid	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Payment Rate	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	0%

[†] These FPNs for waste carriers licence offences remain unpaid. One of these cases has been passed to legal services for review and the other is an outstanding payment.

Case Studies - Fly Tipping Investigation

Lea End Lane - Alvechurch

Incident reported in May 2014 – Waste from a security company based in Castle Bromwich, Birmingham and waste from a resident in Longbridge found on Lea End Lane, Alvechurch. The waste contained personal data of people applying for employment and current employees of the security company. Four PACE interviews were completed and evidence gathered linking an employee to the fly tipping incident. The case file is currently with Legal Services for possible prosecution. The incident was also reported to the Information Commissioner, who has asked Enforcement Officers for their assistance to help complete a case file against the security company for possible prosecution for loss of sensitive/personal data.

Carpenters Hill - Beoley

Incident witnessed and reported by a resident in October 2014 – Waste was being dumped on the side of the road, which was believed to be soil from possible growing of cannabis plants. Initial enquiries led to a vehicle used in the incident being identified and Enforcement Officers attempted to track down the vehicle owners. Further investigation revealed the vehicle had been sold via the eBay internet auction site and as a result of this investigation, the Enforcement Team has now been allowed by eBay to have access to their electronic investigation system called Law Enforcement eRequest. This allows Enforcement Officers to request information about eBay users in the course of an investigation if eBay is believed to have been used as part of the offence.

Crabmill Lane – Headley Heath Lane, Wythall

Incident reported in January 2015 – Interior car parts were found dumped on the verge of Crabmill Lane; contained in the waste were documents identifying the owners of the vehicles that the parts had come from. Further investigations have found that the vehicles have been stolen from resident's addresses cut down for parts and any parts not needed dumped within Bromsgrove. The Enforcement Team is now working with other partners on this on-going investigation.

Case Study - Waste Carrier Licence Investigation

Truemans Heath Lane - Wythall

Incident reported to Enforcement Officers in December 2014 by West Mercia Police Officers. The offender had been stopped by the Police and had not produced a waste carrier licence when requested to do so. A fixed penalty notice was issued by Enforcement Officers to the address given by offender at the time of interview. This address was found to be false; however through joint working Enforcement Officers and Police Officers, were able to trace the offender an address in Wednesbury. A joint visit was made by the Police and Enforcement Officers, who issued a fixed penalty notice to the offender