

Fly-tipping Intervention Grant

Opportunities to improve domestic
waste management

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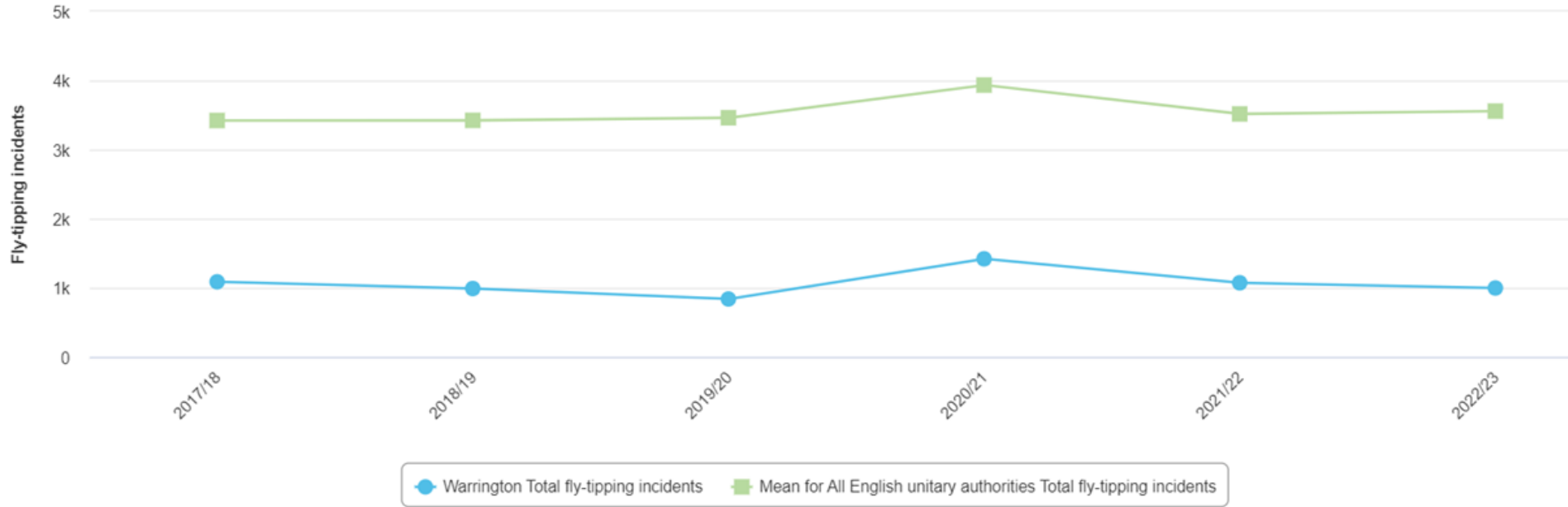
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Total fly-tipping incidents 2017-2023



Source:
Metric ID: 6623, [Total fly-tipping incidents](#)

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WBC Bin Policy requires residents to;

1. Place your wheeled bin out on your normal collection day, **but not before 5pm the day before.**
2. **ALL rubbish** must be inside **the correct** wheeled bin with the **lid closed.**
3. Don't leave your wheeled bin in a position that will **block the way for others.**
4. Return your wheeled bin to your property as soon as possible after collection, **but no later than midnight the same day.**
5. Glass, plastic bottles, cans, paper and cardboard must be **placed loosely in the correct recycling wheeled bin** provided for this purpose, for collection.
6. **Label your bins with your house number.**

You are responsible for returning and storing your allocated wheeled bins.



Warrington Issues

- No waste found
- Not in bin - Residential side waste
- Bins left out - contaminated & abandoned
- Waste from Social Landlord & Private tenanted properties (tenancy changeovers, brothels & 'hot bedding' shift workers)



The DEFRA / WRAP Grant

April – Dec 2022

- Using Bin Policy related interventions to improve bin and waste culture - £10k
- Surveillance Camera effectiveness in tackling fly-tipping and side waste - £25k



Bin Policy - Project

- 35,000 Bin stickers applied to bins
 - Bin policy letter / s46 hand delivered
 - Follow up letter to non-compliant homes
 - Abandoned Bin Sticker & letter
 - Remaining bins removed
- * Approx 2 week intervals



Abandoned Bins



- 1827 households targeted
- 554 abandoned bin stickers
- 285 abandoned bins removed



Positive Outcomes

- A handful of complaints about bins being 'stolen'
- Some new bin orders
- No increase in fly-tipping as a result of removed bins
- Aesthetics of areas improved
- Less time spent moving bins out of path of crews & improved bin crew safety, less risk from reversing vehicles whilst manoeuvring



Overt Surveillance Cameras



Locations;

- **car park,**
- **back alleyways,**
- **bin storage locations**



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Chart

Settings

09:10:15 | Yesterday





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00:58:00 Today

23:58:00 Yesterday

22:58:00 Yesterday

22:02:13 Yesterday

22:02:11 Yesterday

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Positives

- FPN
- 1 x criminal case re 2 individuals
- 1 x Simple Caution
- Deterrent effect
- Positive feedback from residents

Negatives

- Some diverted fly-tipping away from cameras
- Reliability issues with cameras



Next steps...

Looking to refresh the previous s46 locations (post bin strike)

- Timetabling in new locations

Demographics Analysis on Most Complained About Wards (MCAW's)

- Improving mapping of Social Landlord land
- Private Landlord Project



Engage, Educate, Enforce

- **Engage** via Environmental Crime Social Media; with Social Landlords over hot spots, with businesses re commercial waste contracts
- **Educate / engage** schools, community groups, voluntary sector, Parish and Town Councils to highlight key messages.
- **Educate** residents, landlords and businesses about their waste duties and responsibilities.
- Tackle repeat offenders and **enforce** as necessary and proportionate to do so.

