



## REGENERATION AND ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 18TH FEBRUARY 2014

**SUBJECT: THE IMPACT OF FLY-TIPPING**

**REPORT BY: ACTING DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To respond to a request by Councillor John Bevan for details of the impact of fly-tipping within Caerphilly County Borough.

### **2. SUMMARY**

- 2.1 At the meeting of the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee of 29th October 2013 Councillor John Bevan requested a report on the impact of fly-tipping within Caerphilly County Borough. This report provides details of the number of recorded fly-tipping incidents and enforcement actions.

### **3. LINKS TO STRATEGY**

- 3.1 Improving local environmental quality is a priority within the Greener Caerphilly theme of the single integrated plan, Caerphilly Delivers; addressing fly-tipping contributes to that priority.

### **4. THE REPORT**

- 4.1 Details of fly-tipping incidents are recorded on a national database called Flycapture. The tables below provide information for 2011/12 and 2012/13.

	<b>2011/2012</b>		<b>2012/2013</b>	
<b>Total No. Of Incidents</b>	1603		1479	
<b>Incidents by land type:</b>				
Highway	31		178	
Footpath / bridleway	207		155	
Back alleyway	536		430	
Railway	10		6	
Council land	463		617	
Agricultural	17		19	
Private – residential	23		31	
Commercial / industrial	16		16	
Watercourse / bank	23		26	
Other (unidentified)	8		1	
<b>Incidents by waste type:</b>				
Animal carcass	12		11	
Green	66		63	
Vehicle parts	13		6	
White goods	43		12	
Other electrical	33		17	
Tyres	46		43	
Asbestos	30		24	
Clinical	2		4	
Construction / demolition / excavation	168		120	
Black bags commercial	90		20	
Black bags household	144		105	
Chemical-drums-oil or fuel	21		8	
Other household waste	820		882	
Other commercial waste	54		67	
Other (unidentified)	76		96	
<b>Incidents by size:</b>				
<b>Size of Incident:</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>£</b>
Single item	206	5974.00	170	4930.00
Single black bag	29	203.00	0	0.00
Car boot load or less	410	11890.00	375	10875.00
Small van load	549	30744.00	523	29288.00
Transit van load	409	47035.00	410	47265.00
Tipper lorry load	0	0	0	0
Significant multiple loads	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Cost of Removal</b>		<b>£95846</b>		<b>£92358</b>

	2011/2012	2012/2013
<b>Enforcement Action By Type:</b>		
Investigation	654	539
PACE Interview	50	29
Warning letter	83	116
Statutory notice	0	29
Duty of care inspection	412	0
Stop and search	3	411
Vehicles seized	0	2
Formal caution	8	0
Prosecution	17	17
Injunction	0	0
<b>Total number of enforcement actions</b>	<b>1355</b>	<b>1184</b>

## 5. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no potential equalities implications of this report and its recommendations on groups or individuals who fall under the categories identified in Section 6 of the Council's Strategic Equality Plan. There is no requirement for an Equalities Impact Assessment Questionnaire to be completed for this report.

## 6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report which is provided for information. However, the costs to the Council of enforcement actions and clearing fly-tipped material were estimated at £140,264 in 2011/12 and £130,506 in 2012/13. Whenever prosecutions are taken in the Courts we do seek to recover the reasonable costs of investigation and prosecution.

## 7. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no personnel issues with regard to this report

## 8. CONSULTATIONS

- 8.1 The report has been sent to the consultees listed below and there are no consultation responses that have not been reflected within the report.

## 9. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 9.1 Members are requested to note the report.

## 10. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 To provide Members with details of fly-tipping within the County Borough.

## 11. STATUTORY POWER

- 11.1 Environmental Protection Act 1990.

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