

## EXECUTIVE RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS OF SCRUTINY REVIEW

<b>Title of Review:</b>	Review of the Council's Approach to Environmental Despoilment Education and Enforcement		
<b>Timescale of Review:</b>	July 2024 – June 2025	<b>Post-Monitoring Period:</b>	18 months commencing July 2025. 1 <sup>st</sup> Interim report due February 2026 (every 6 months).
<b>Date agreed by Scrutiny:</b>	June 2024	<b>Date agreed by Executive:</b>	July 2025

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CCCSC 24-25 2.1	That the Council undertakes a piece of work, led by the Assistant Director of Streetscene, Community Safety and Enforcement, to explore alternative ways of working to improve the level and effectiveness of environmental enforcement activity across Bolsover District	Identify and implement more effective enforcement methods that lead to increased compliance and reduced environmental despoilment across the District.	Dec 2026  (18 months)	Assistant Director of Streetscene, Community Safety and Enforcement	Staff resources	The Assistant Director of Streetscene, Community has already begun work on this project.	Recommendation Approved.
CCCSC 24-25 2.2	That the Council targets fly-tipping hotspots (such as top 5 most frequently visited from 2023/24 including Outgang Lane in Pleasley, Wood Lane in Shirebrook, and Talbot Street in Pinxton), through targeted patrols and installation of surveillance cameras where appropriate.	To reduce fly-tipping and deter offenders in these areas.	June 2026  (12 months)	Assistant Director of Streetscene, Community Safety and Enforcement,  In collaboration with all three teams (Environmental Health, Community Safety and Streetscene).	Staff resources  Potentially additional Funding	Collaborative proactive effort with the Community Safety Team and the Environmental Health.  Key focus on sharing intelligence between departments and partners.  The Assistant Director will look to set up operational task and finish groups to look at certain areas (made up of members of	Recommendation Approved.

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						different departments). To focus on what to do and who will play each part to improve ongoing issues - holding certain services to account for issues.	
CCCSC 24-25 2.3	That the Council prioritise completing the installation of the 15 metal signs and place additional signage in high-risk areas (such Outgang Lane in Pleasley, Wood Lane in Shirebrook, and Talbot Street in Pinxton) in lay-bys and secluded spots.	To deter and reduce rates of fly-tipping, increase awareness and encourage responsible behaviour.	June 2026 (12 months)	Assistant Director of Streetscene, Community Safety and Enforcement.	Staff Resources  Potentially additional Funding	Assistant Director: the deployment of the signs can be decided by the Task and Finish group referenced in service response of recommendation 2.2.	Recommendation Approved.
CCCSC 24-25 2.4	That the Council explores options for CCTV surveillance in fly-tipping hotspots.	To reduce fly-tipping and to catch and deter offenders.	Dec 2026 (18 months)	Assistant Director of Streetscene, Community Safety and Enforcement,  In collaboration with all three teams (Environmental Health, Community	Staff resources  Potentially additional funding	Env Health Team agree that CCTV options should be explored.  Community Safety Team will work in collaboration to provide any support needed.  Assistant Director: where incidents are	Recommendation Approved.

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				Safety and Streetscene).		caught on CCTV – the Council will consider potentially advertising the footage on social media to assist in identifying unknown offenders (where appropriate).	
CCCSC 24-25 2.5	That the Council reintroduces regular quarterly meetings of the Corporate Enforcement Group (Streetscene, the Enforcement Team and Environmental Health).	To improve coordination, communication, and problem-solving between the departments to better address fly-tipping through shared insights and enhanced enforcement.	Dec 2025 (6 months)	Assistant Director of Streetscene, Community Safety and Enforcement,  In collaboration with all three teams (Environmental Health, Community Safety and Streetscene).	Staff resources	Key to focus on aligning efforts, sharing insights on fly-tipping trends and enhancing evidence gathering and enforcement.  Env health Team agree meetings should be revived.  Community Safety Team agree meetings should be revived.  Assistant Director: the regeneration of these meetings is now in progress from early 2025 following appointment of new AD. Meetings of the Corporate	Recommendation Approved.

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						Enforcement Group is chaired by the new AD.	
CCCSC 24-25 2.6	That the Council develops a clear process for evidence collection for fly-tipping sites that ensures evidence is properly managed.	To ensure the effective management and processing of evidence for fly-tipping incidents and increase the number of offenders caught.	June 2026 (12 months)	Assistant Director of Streetscene, Community Safety and Enforcement,  In collaboration with Streetscene and Community Safety team.	Staff resources	Focus on ensuring the effective processing of evidence gathered by the Streetscene team and preventing delays or lost documentation.  Assistant Director – a clear process will be developed, and training will be provided in house.	Recommendation Approved.
CCCSC 24-25 2.7	That the Council organises joint training sessions for the Enforcement team, Streetscene workers and Environmental Health that focuses on improving understanding of each team's roles; as well as bi-annual training for evidence collection, ensuring there is a specific process for collecting physical evidence.	Enhance mutual understanding of each team's roles ensuring smoother collaboration and more effective handling of fly-tipping incidents.	June 2026 (12 months)	Assistant Director of Streetscene, Community Safety and Enforcement,  In collaboration with all three teams (Environmental Health, Community Safety and Streetscene).	Staff resources	Env Health agree this would be beneficial to the collaborative effort  Enforcement team agreed to assist in training for Streetscene on evidence collection/clean up processes.  Assistant Director – training will be	Recommendation Approved.

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						provided in house for evidence collection.	
CCCSC 24-25 2.8	That the Council delivers public awareness campaigns to educate residents about the risks of hiring unlicensed waste collectors and provides clear, accessible guidance on how to verify waste carrier licences.	To raise awareness among residents about the risks of hiring unlicensed waste collectors to reduce illegal fly-tipping and promote responsible waste disposal practices.	June 2026 (12 months)	Team Manager (Environmental Enforcement)  Communications Manager	Staff resources	Env Health agree this would be beneficial to the collaborative effort and will provide Comms with the appropriate educational material.	Recommendation Approved.
CCCSC 24-25 2.9	That the Council enhance public information on fly-tipping and littering by regularly featuring updates on enforcement actions and responsible bulky waste removal options through existing communication channels and the newly established social media platforms, including the Bolsover District	To increase awareness of the negative impact of fly-tipping and improve education on the correct and responsible methods of removing bulky waste as well as making the public aware of the legal repercussions and	June 2026 (12 months)	Team Manager (Environmental Enforcement)  Communications Manager	Staff resources	The Council can implement comprehensive education and awareness campaigns to inform the public about the environmental harm and legal consequences of fly-tipping, while encouraging community involvement and promoting responsible waste removal practices.	Recommendation Approved.

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	Council Facebook page.	enforcement powers of the Council.				<p>Env Health Team will continue to provide comms with info and education material.</p> <p>The Assistant Director stated that this is what the Council is hoping to achieve.</p>	
CCCSC 24-25 2.10	That the Council enhance transparency by publishing meaningful data and information on fly-tipping activities on the website and through social media, that demonstrate what the Council is doing to tackle environmental despoilment.	To improve transparency and inform future enforcement and cleanup efforts while also benchmarking against other local councils' practices.	June 2026  (12 months)	<p>Assistant Director of Streetscene, Community Safety and Enforcement,</p> <p>In collaboration with:</p> <p>Team Manager (Environmental Enforcement)</p> <p>Communications Manager</p>	Staff Resources	<p>Env Health agree this would be beneficial and can provide the Comms team with the data.</p> <p>AD response – Agrees with the benefit of this.</p> <p>This should focus on the work that the Council does to improve fly tipping and data that people are actually interested in: how many sites have been cleared annually etc.</p> <p>Publishing the outcomes of serious</p>	Recommendation Approved.

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						offences – meaningful posts from the Council.	
CCCSC 24-25 2.11	That the Council provide advice on how to handle hazardous items such as needles and syringes, ensuring residents are informed on the safe disposal of such materials and the risks associated with handling them improperly.	To ensure residents are informed about the safe disposal of hazardous items to promote safety and prevent harm while also benchmarking against other local councils' practices.	June 2026 (12 months)	Team Manager (Environmental Enforcement)  Communications Manager	Staff Resources	Env Health agree this would be beneficial to the collaborative effort and will provide the Comms team with the appropriate guidance to publish.	Recommendation Approved.