

Report for: Service Delivery and Continuous Improvement PDG

Date of Meeting:	15 September 2025
Subject:	Quarter 1 Environment and Enforcement Performance Report
Cabinet Member:	Cllr Josh Wright, Cabinet Member for Service Delivery and Continuous Improvement
Responsible Officer:	Luke Howard, Environment and Enforcement Manager Matthew Page, Head of Performance, People and Waste
Exempt:	N/A
Wards Affected:	N/A
Enclosures:	None

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendation(s)

This report provides a quarterly update on key environment enforcement performance data including fly tipping, littering, PSPO and the issuing of FPNs. It also gives a brief summary of Car Parking performance and the issuing of PCNs.

Recommendation(s):

Report is for noting only.

Section 2 – Report

- 1.0 This report provides an overview of the Environment and Enforcement service performance during quarter 1 (Q1) of the 2025/26 financial year.
- 1.1 The Environment and Enforcement service have been successful in alleviating challenging waste issues within certain problematic locations in Tiverton. The service has undertaken evening patrols within these areas of

concern with the intention of talking to offenders directly and where appropriate, administering enforcement action.

- 1.2 The service has proactively dealt with instances of residents not complying with the Bin-It 123 scheme by leaving out waste for collection in black bags through littering Fixed Penalty Notices (FPN). Through cross service working with the Street Cleansing service, the service has been able to identify offenders through evidence found in waste and have taken appropriate enforcement action via a FPN sent through the post. This approach allows officer time to be used to manage other matters of enviro crime.
- 1.3 During Q1, the service has seen an increase with regard to stray dogs. This has led to the team successfully rehoming or reuniting six dogs with their owners. The working relationship with the Dogs Trust and other rehoming organisations has allowed the team to successfully rehome animals with no owner.

2.0 Car Parking

- 2.1 Q1 has seen strong user uptake at our car parks. Many of the Council's town centre car parks are now providing electric charging stations with work being undertaken to identify additional locations in the future.
- 2.2 The service continues to work with the Consultative Car Parking Group regarding tariffs. A further report will be provided to Cabinet on proposals regarding future parking and permit arrangements that include representations from all communities in the District.

2.3 Car Parking Income Q1

	Machine	Ringo	Total Inc. VAT
Q1 25/26	£142,183.05	£112,581.20	£254,764.25
Q1 24/25	£146,940.35	£97,772.00	£244,712.35

2.4 Penalty Charge Notice Issuance

Q1 (Apr-Jun)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
PCNs issued	1	466	447	682	715	734

3.0 Environmental Enforcement

- 3.1 Q1 saw a reduced number of fly tipping reports compared to the same period last year. This shows a positive trend in people disposing of their waste in a responsible manner.
- 3.2 The service is working with Devon and Cornwall Police and the Clean Devon Partnership on holding a local event to highlight the impacts of fly tipping on urban and rural communities. The event will also look to educate people on how they can ensure waste disposal companies hold the correct licenses.

3.3 Performance Statistics Environmental Enforcement

Q1	2024/25	2025/26
Patrols Conducted	76	74
FPNs Issued	26	16
Dog Fouling/PSPO	1	1
Littering	16	15
Fly Tipping	3	0
Abandoned Vehicle	6	0

3.5 Fly Tipping Statistics

Fly tip	Apr	May	Jun
2024/25	43	40	45
2025/26	45	26	25
Difference (+/-)	2	-14	-20

3.6 Abandoned Vehicle Statistics

Total reported	62
Not abandoned/gone	39
Action required	23
Moved by owner after notice	21
Removed by MDDC	2
Fixed Penalty Notices issued	0
Outstanding reports	0

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications as a direct result of this report.

Legal Implications

The Authority has a statutory responsibility to undertake investigation and enforcement into environmental crimes such as abandoned vehicles, littering, fly tipping and public space protection orders.

Risk Assessment

Risk assessments in relation to the role of district officer in place. No further risk assessment required.

Impact on Climate Change

The report is focussed on advising how the service is actively working to reducing environmental crime. This will have a positive impact on climate and the corporate strategy relating to this.

Equalities Impact Assessment

There are no equality issues identified in this report.

Relationship to Corporate Plan

The service development is designed to align with the Corporate Plan to reduce environmental crime issues within the district.

Section 3 – Statutory Officer sign-off/mandatory checks

Statutory Officer: Andrew Jarrett

Agreed by or on behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Date: 2.9.25

Statutory Officer: Maria de Leburne

Agreed on behalf of the Monitoring Officer

Date: 2.9.25

Chief Officer: Andrew Jarrett

Agreed by or on behalf of the Chief Executive/Corporate Director

Date: 2.9.25

Performance and risk: Steve Carr

Agreed on behalf of the Corporate Performance & Improvement Manager

Date: 29/08/2025

Cabinet member notified: (yes)

Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

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Background papers: None