

# WHO'S TAKING AWAY YOUR WASTE?

**FLY-TIPPING IS ILLEGAL** 

Keep Carlisle Clean



#### **How can businesses help?**

Business/commercial/trade waste must be disposed of correctly:

- If you use a private waste company, you must check they are a registered waste carrier.
- If you dispose of waste yourself, your business must be registered with the Environment Agency to transport that waste.
- You must complete Waste Transfer Notes for waste produced by your business. You must keep these for two years.
- Failure to produce Waste Transfer
   Notes when asked by the council or
   the Environment Agency is an offence,
   for which a Fixed Penalty Notice can
   be issued or it can lead to prosecution.



## **How can householders help?**

Before you pay for your waste to be taken away, check how your waste can be disposed of the right way:

- Recycle your waste using household waste recycling centres (HWRCs) or reuse charities instead.
- Arrange a council bulky waste collection. This service could be cheaper than a waste company.
- Use a waste company registered with the Environment Agency.
- Ask to see their waste carrier certificate.
- Keep all paperwork issued by the waste company.

You can find or check a registered waste carrier by visiting www.gov.uk/find-registered-waste-carrier or by calling 03708 506 506.

#### Other contacts:

HWRCs: www.cumbria.gov.uk

Bulky waste/recycling: www.carlisle.gov.uk

Call: 01228 817200

### **How can landowners help?**



Deter fly-tippers from dumping waste on your land by:

- Installing gates or barriers, ideally in keeping with the natural environment.
- Making sure that gates are closed when not in use.
- Improving visibility so that fly-tippers are not hidden from view.
- Installing or improving lighting.
- Consider installing CCTV cameras where possible.
- Swiftly clearing any waste that is dumped to discourage others adding to it.

# **Fly-tipping facts**



- Fly-tipping is illegal and offenders can be fined up to £50,000. However, we all pay for fly-tipping as it costs Carlisle City council tax payers to clear waste dumped on council owned land.
- It can affect the reputation of our villages, towns and city.
- You can now receive a fixed penalty fine of up to £400 for fly-tipping waste.
- Private landlords have a responsibility for waste in their rented properties; once the tenant leaves it is commercial waste - dispose of it legally!

#### **How to report fly-tipping**

If you see someone fly-tipping, please report it to:

#### customerservices@carlisle.gov.uk

Please let us know:

- Time, date and location of the incident.
- Description of the: person/s involved (e.g. sex, height, age, build etc), vehicle used (registration number, make and model, colour) and waste being fly-tipped (quantity and type of waste) e.g. approximately 20 bags of waste; garden waste, mattress etc.

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