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Major crackdown on scourge of fly-tipping

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A MAJOR new campaign is being proposed to crackdown on the scourge of fly-tipping in Newark and Sherwood, where the equivalent weight of 50 double decker buses is dumped every year.

Councillors will consider ramping up action to catch and punish offenders in order to combat the unsightly and costly problem, with incidents of illegal dumping on the increase and running at nearly four a day.

The new campaign, Not In Newark and Sherwood, follows on from Newark and Sherwood District Council's highly successful Cleaner, Safer, Greener initiative that was aimed at creating a greater sense of pride in the environment and tackling environmental crime.

During the financial year 2018-19, the council removed 1,438 fly-tips with a combined weight of 361.89 tonnes.

For the current 2019-20 period, 425 fly-tips had been removed between April-July with a combined weight of 81.36 tonnes.

Fly-tipping, the illegal disposal of household, industrial, commercial or other controlled waste without a waste management licence, has been highlighted as a particular problem for the district because it is covered by large areas of open countryside.

In many cases, it is suspected offenders are rogue waste operators who work for cash and do not operate with the necessary licences.

The district council works closely with police to tackle rural crime and employs Environment Protection Officers who specifically deal with environmental offences.

Last month, the county-wide Not in Notts campaign was launched to ensure closer partnership working between councils, including Newark and Sherwood, to target the offenders.

Earlier this year, the district council adopted a new community plan with one of its key objectives being to improve the cleanliness and appearance of the local environment.

Roger Jackson, chairman of the district council's leisure and environment committee, said: "Four incidents of fly-tipping every day is a real stain on our district but we are absolutely determined to confront the issues and deal with those who are responsible."

"The council proposes to embark on a wide range of actions throughout this campaign, but would appeal to the public to be our eyes and ears in helping identifying the cowboy waste operators who are spoiling the environment."

MEMBERS of the council's leisure and environment committee will discuss the proposals at its next meeting on Tuesday.

Key aspects of the proposed new campaign are likely to include:

- Stop and check days of action, in conjunction with police, to target vehicles carrying waste without the necessary trading paperwork.
- Specific 'bring out your dead' days for householders to dispose of bulky waste free of charge in specific communities.
- Challenging local social media sites to stop the promotion of illegal tip-run requests and services.
- Covert surveillance to snare rogue waste removal operators who take rubbish away or cash but do not have waste carrier notices.
- Shutting down public access to problem fly-tipping sites

Relaunching and reviewing the council's bulky waste collection service which not only provides for the ethical disposal of waste but is cheap as well as protecting householders from possible prosecution.



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'Bring Out Your Dead' plan to stop flytipping



PLANS to crack down on flytipping are set to include a 'bring out your dead' style event so people can safely dispose of their waste.

Members of Newark and Sherwood District Council's leisure and environment committee voted unanimously to approve plans to combat flytipping not only in Newark and Sherwood, but the county as a whole.

Recently, councils across the county joined forces to launch a 'Not in Notts' campaign with the aim to share intelligence and work across boundaries to reduce incidents of flytipping across Nottinghamshire.

The new campaign, Not in Newark and Sherwood, will see the re-launch of the council's bulky waste service, the introduction of three 'bring out your dead' style days where the council will take items free-of-charge, and carry out at least two days of action with police.

Plans seek to ensure the public and businesses are aware of their responsibilities when disposing of waste and to not rely on a rogue man with a van to take rubbish away.

If rubbish is flytipped illegally, the householder or business would still be responsible.

Committee chairman Roger Jackson said: "Flytipping is a real scourge, especially in rural areas such as Newark and Sherwood, and we're also asking local people to be our eyes and ears as to who is doing it."

DISTRICT council leader David Lloyd inspects recent flytipping at Clay Lane, Newark.



THE fly-tip at Sherwood Pines, which led to the prosecution of a Newark builder.

Warning issued over fly-tipping

PEOPLE who turn to social media sites for tip runs are warned that they could end up in court.

The campaign, Not In Newark And Sherwood, was launched by the district council in September to take an uncompromising approach to fly-tipping offenders.

There are nearly four incidents a day in the district.

Rogue rubbish collectors are actively advertising their services on social media sites by posing as legitimate waste removal services but often just dump their collections on other people's land.

A builder in Newark who used Facebook to search for a waste removal service has been fined for failing to use a licensed waste carrier, after wood, building materials and bags of rubbish were discarded on the outskirts of Sherwood Pines.

The council took legal action after officers found addresses on paperwork among the rubbish that

traced the debris back to the owner.

Jay Boby, 27, was fined £250 reduced to £167 for an early guilty plea, with £180 legal costs, totalling £347 to be paid in 14 days.

A second defendant, Corey Batterham, has also been identified by the district council but failed to attend court. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

"Fly-tipping is a serious offence which not only results in a considerable cost to the public purse to clear up but is also harmful to the community and the environment," said Andrew Kirk, the council's business manager for waste management.

"This should serve as a warning to other residents that we will thoroughly investigate incidents of fly-tipping and pursue offenders through the courts.

"It also highlights the consequences of using man-with-a-van type services that pose as legitimate waste carriers on social media."

As part of Not In Newark And Sherwood, the council has pledged to challenge local social media sites, particularly those that actively promote illegal tip run requests and services.

A stop-and-check day, in conjunction with the police, is scheduled when vehicles carrying waste without the necessary trading paperwork will be targeted and appropriate action taken.

In 2018-19, the council removed 1,438 fly-tips with a combined weight of 361.89 tonnes. Between April and November this year, 639 fly-tips had been removed with a total weight of 169.59 tonnes.

The council advises people to always check for a valid waste carrier's licence, which can be done on the Environment Agency website.

If someone offers to remove waste the householder must make sure they have the appropriate licences to remove it so it

Flytipping at beauty spot costs rogue operator £3,000

ROGUE waste operators are being warned they face the full force of the law after the successful prosecution of a man who touted his services on social media.

Corey Batterham, 24, must pay more than £3,000 after pleading guilty to dumping waste at a beauty spot, highlighting the penalties imposed on offenders for their actions — a message spelled out in a Newark and Sherwood District Council's campaign.

Batterham, from Newark, failed to attend court in the first instance, before being arrested by police and was brought before Nottingham Magistrates' Court.

Magistrates were told Batterham had dumped polystyrene, cardboard, building materials and household rubbish on a roadway at Sherwood Pines after being paid by Jay Boby, a Newark builder, to dispose of the waste.

The court heard Boby had spotted a posting on Facebook from Batterham offering waste removal.

Council inspectors were able to trace the rubbish back to the original owner.

Batterham was ordered to pay a



THE offending flytip at Sherwood Pines that was dumped by Corey Batterham, 24, from Newark.

£1,900 fine, £1,000 legal costs and £181 victim surcharge.

At an earlier hearing Boby, 27, who had failed to take the appropriate steps to prevent rubbish being fly-tipped, was also fined for failing to use a licensed waste carrier.

He was ordered to pay £250, reduced to £167 for an early guilty plea, with a £30 victim surcharge and

£150 legal costs, totalling £347 to be paid in 14 days.

Andrew Kirk, from the council's waste management, said: "We welcome the outcome of the case as it sends out a stern warning to fly-tippers who are being targeted in the district council's Not in Newark and Sherwood campaign.

"We take fly-tipping very seriously and we will seek the toughest punish-

ments possible where the evidence supports a prosecution.

"Not only is fly-tipping harmful to the community and the environment, it results in a considerable cost to the public purse to clear up."

As part of Not in Newark and Sherwood, the council has challenged local social media sites, not to promote illegal tip run requests and services.

A saving in waste collection

PEOPLE who need white goods or bulky waste taken away will pay £1 less in future.

Newark and Sherwood District Council's leisure and environment committee voted to cut the bulky waste and white goods collection charges to make the scheme more attractive to residents with the aim of cutting fly-tipping.

The meeting was told if the service was offered for free it would result in a shortfall of £84,000, and dramatically increase the demand for the service, which could double the cost of running it to £168,000.

Instead, it was decided that, as well as offering the free collection of white goods during three planned days of action for 2020 — dates still to be confirmed — that the cost of the service be reduced to £14 to £13 for the first item, and from £8 to £7 for subse-

quent items for both bulky waste and white goods.

That would make the charges the cheapest in Nottinghamshire.

It is hoped the reduction in costs, and plans to offer free collection during the Days of Action, will prevent people paying somebody to take their white goods away, only to see them fly-tipped.

Members heard that leaving goods out for collection by scrap dealers would not solve the problem.

Committee member Donna Routledge said: "There's a lot of people who think they are doing the right thing by leaving white goods for the scrapman, but don't realise leaving things in the garden for the scrapman will be stripped and the rest fly-tipped."

Fined for dumping Christmas rubbish

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FLY-TIPPERS have been warned they will pay for their crimes after a man was hit with a £400 fine for dumping his excess Christmas waste.

The offender, from Newark, admitted to dumping the rubbish, comprising food waste, nappies and letters containing personal details, which traced the rubbish back to the owner.

He was issued with a fixed penalty notice of £400, which is reduced to £200 if paid within 10 days.

The post-festive period often leads to an increase in illegal dumping, as householders clear their homes of packaging, leftovers, decorations and even Christmas trees, and four such incidents are reported each day.

District council leader David Lloyd, said: "The festive period is inevitably a time of year when homes accumulate increased amounts of waste. However, this is absolutely not an excuse for making the countryside a dumping ground.

"We take fly-tipping very seriously and expect everyone to dispose of their rubbish responsibly.

"As well as the council's own recycling services and household waste recycling centres, there are plenty of legitimate rubbish removal services



BAGS of fly-tipped rubbish were found in Newark.

that will dispose of your waste legally and responsibly.

"We have recently seen a number of successful prosecutions for fly-tipping offences and we will always seek the toughest punishments possible where the evidence supports a prosecution.

"Not only is fly-tipping harmful to the community and the environment, it results in a considerable cost to the public purse to clear up."

The council's Not in Newark and

Sherwood, part of the wider Not in Notts anti-fly-tipping campaign, has already led to a reduction in incidents of fly-tipping.

So far, 1,036 fly-tips had been removed between April 2019 and January 2020 with a combined weight of 236.47 tonnes, a decrease on this period last year.

The council has advised residents to always check for a valid waste carrier's licence via the Environment Agency website.

Festive flytipping proves expensive

WRAPPING paper, cards and empty toy packaging were among a festive flytipping frenzy found on a village lane.

A social media appeal was launched by Newark and Sherwood District Council to trace the culprit after a police officer spotted the rubbish on Christmas Day afternoon in Clipstone.

Having seen the appeal, the individual responsible handed himself in and removed the waste — and was hit with a £400 fixed penalty notice.

The council has warned offenders they will pay for their crimes after another man was given the same fine for dumping Christmas rubbish, including food waste, nappies and personal documents, in a Coddington layby.

Similarly, a mixture of household waste, old toys, cables and building materials were dumped on a public footpath in Edwinstowe and, after investigation, the waste owner incurred the same £400 fine.

Council leader David Lloyd said: "We take flytipping very seriously and expect everyone to dispose of their rubbish responsibly.



"As well as the council's own recycling services and household waste recycling centres, there are plenty of legitimate rubbish removal services, including the council's own, that dispose of your waste legally and responsibly."

"We are aware that rogue waste disposal operators posing as legitimate businesses are actively advertising their services on social media sites and often just dump collected

rubbish on other people's land or in public.

"However, these are not the only individuals guilty of flytipping. Everyday people, simply looking for a quick way of getting rid of a large amount of waste are attempting to cut corners and flout the law."

The council has advised residents to always check for a valid waste carrier's licence which can be done easily on the Environment Agency website.

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Man fined after building rubble and waste was dumped at Clumber Park

An address was found in the rubbish which helped investigations

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Clumber Park was blighted by a heap of building rubble and household waste - but the dumper left a trail.

Council workers found an address on papers which led to a woman who had a wall knocked down at her home, [city magistrates](#) heard.

Then they tracked down builder Jay Boby, 27, who had asked a man on Facebook to remove the pile and

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A fly-tipper who advertised his dumping business on social media has been hauled before the courts and fined more than £3,000.

Newark and Sherwood District Council is now warning other rogue waste operators they will 'face the

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The fly-tipped rubbish at Sherwood Pines. (Image: Newark and Sherwood District Council)

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People turning to social media to find rogue rubbish collectors to take their waste to the tip have been warned they could end up in court.

Rogue collectors advertise their services on social media sites by posing as legitimate waste removal services but often just dump their collections on other people's land or in public.

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The council said the post-festive period often leads to an increase in illegal dumping i

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Waste from over Christmas including trees have been found dumped in Newark. (Image: Newark and Sherwood District Council)

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Fly-tippers in Nottinghamshire have been warned after a Newark man was fined £400 for dumping his excess Christmas waste.

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 Household waste, old toys, cables and building materials dumped in Edwinstowe. (Image: Newark and Sherwood District Council)

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Wrapping paper, cards and empty toy packaging were among Christmas items dumped in a village lane.

On Christmas afternoon, a police officer spotted the rubbish in Baulker Lane, [Clipstone](#).

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Promotion on Newark and Sherwood District Council social media

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Yesterday we joined forces with Newark Police - Nottinghamshire and other agencies in the first of several operations to clamp down on issues highlighted by our anti fly-tipping #NotinNewarkandSherwood campaign.

A waste carrier licence is a legal requirement for services involved in transporting, buying, selling or disposing of waste and our officers checked every vehicle stopped to ensure they were compliant.

Illegal waste operators are actively collecting rubbish from households often for it to be found fly-tipped on other people's land or in public. A number of vehicles found carrying waste failed to produce a licence and have seven days to produce the document or will face legal action.

A total of 21 vehicles were stopped by police, which found three vehicles to be driven without insurance, one with a failed MOT and one without tax.

Find out more about the day <https://bit.ly/35jXNWb>



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Fly-tipping? #NotinNewarkandSherwood. A Newark man has been ordered to pay more than £3,000 after dumping polystyrene, cardboard, building materials and household rubbish on a roadway at Sherwood Pines.

Paying for your waste to be removed? If you don't take the appropriate steps to prevent your rubbish from being dumped you could also face prosecution. Rogue waste disposal operators - posing as legitimate businesses – are actively advertising their services on social media sites and we are urging everyone to be vigilant and always check for a waste carrier license.

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Festive leftovers? Excess packaging or decorations? Dispose of your waste responsibly. A Newark man has been ordered to pay a £400 fine for dumping his excess Christmas waste in a layby in Coddington.

The culprit admitted to dumping the rubbish, comprising food waste, nappies and letters containing personal details, when interviewed by our enforcement officers and was subsequently issued with a fixed penalty notice.

Documents containing addresses traced the rubbish back to th... [See more](#)



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A rubbish disposal that could've cost £0, costing £400. Almost all the items in this photo could have been disposed of in a household recycling bin, but instead, the fly-tipper chose to dump them down a village lane over Christmas.

Wrapping paper, gift tags, cards and empty toy packaging were among a festive fly-tipping frenzy dumped down Baulker Lane, in Clipstone. Acknowledging the error of his ways, the individual responsible saw an online appeal, subsequently turned himself in and swiftly removed the rubbish. He was then issued a fixed penalty notice of £400.

Got a large amount of rubbish? We'll shift it. Book a large waste collection here  <https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/bulky/>

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