

OVING PARISH PLAN

Action Point template

Subject investigated: FLY TIPPING AND LITTER

Survey question numbers: Q13b, Q13c, Q14, Q46, Q45

Description of the perceived need:

To address the problem of fly tipping and litter in the parish which are significant concerns across Oving parish

Summary of relevant survey data:

Q13b. 68% of respondents were concerned or very concerned about fly tipping.

Q13c. 84% of respondents were concerned about litter.

Q14. What part of the parish and why are you concerned?

The most mentioned location for fly tipping was Marsh Lane, Merston followed by the layby on Oving road, on the old Oving road, near the airfield and in Colworth.

Littering was specifically referenced in terms of litter thrown from cars. Concerns were about giving a negative impression, being unsightly and dangerous.

Q46. How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with services provided by local agencies other than by Oving Parish Council?

51% of respondents are dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with how fly tipping and litter is collected.

Q45. Suggestions for improvements to the services.

(More frequent) litter picking days

Use of secret cameras to catch fly tippers

Roadside litter to be collected at the time of cutting verges

Description of response proposed:

Possibly establish a more organised approach to litter collecting in the community.

Introduce surveillance cameras at fly tipping hotspots.

Encourage increased vigilance and reporting of littering and fly tipping by making the channels for reporting better known (OPC website, parish magazine, parish noticeboards, plus check out www.fixmystreet.com and www.gov.uk/report-litter).

Community spaces littering can potentially be managed via notices.
Negotiate with local authorities regarding the schedule and timing (after verge cutting) of 'street' litter clearing.
Contact Operation Crackdown (Sussex Police) regarding any procedures for reporting litter thrown from cars as exists in some other counties

Feasibility of response:

Issues of Health and Safety might well obviate against a formalised approach to litter collecting on major roads.
Surveillance cameras may prove impractical.
WSCC and CDC to work with parish to schedule street litter collection
Plenty of local opportunities for informing and encouraging residents to use the appropriate channels for reporting.
If littering can be observed taking place reporting can lead to prosecution.

The agency which is ultimately responsible:

Fly tipping officially under the mandate of the Environment Agency.
Collection is the responsibility of Chichester District Council.
Recommendation is to report occurrences of fly tipping to the Community Wardens at gjones@chichester.gov.uk or on 07768 202356. Or use the CDC website.
Street litter: WSCC/CDC

Those who will benefit among the community:

The whole community

Time frame and estimated costs if known:

OPC to consider and develop possible strategies as soon as feasible. Costs might include relatively small sums to be spent on litter picking equipment for volunteer groups/individuals and, if appropriate, on surveillance cameras

Plans already in process or proposed which may be relevant:

Individuals and some groups collect litter in their locality. Individuals report fly tipping when discovered