# MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL



AGENDA ITEM: 13

## **EXECUTIVE REPORT**

Report title	SERVICE RESPONSE TO ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY PANEL'S REPORT ON FLY-TIPPING AND ENFORCEMENT		
Executive Member*	Executive Member for Environment and Commercial Services, Councillor Denise Rooney		
Chief Executive or Director	Executive Director: Kevin Parkes		
Date	12 June 2018		
Purpose of the report	To provide the service response to the Environment Scrutiny Panel's report on Fly-tipping and Enforcement.		
Summary of the report	The Scrutiny Panel has undertaken a review to ensure effective enforcement is in place in Middlesbrough in relation to fly-tipping and over the next three years, to achieve a significant reduction in fly-tipping across Middlesbrough and to improve the condition of back alley cleanliness resulting in financial savings to the Council. The Panel has made a number of recommendations and produced an action plan. This report is to note the report's findings and approve the attached action plan in light of these recommendations.		
If this is a key decision, which key decision test applies?*	Over the financial threshold (£150,000)		
	Amends the Council's policy framework		
	Affects two or more wards	X	
	Non-key		
For the purposes of scrutiny call in procedure this report is*	Exempt under s.12a Local Government Act 1972		
	Urgent		
	Non-urgent	x	
If this is a confidential report, which category of exemption(s) from the Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 applies?	N/A	<u>.</u>	
Decision(s) asked for	That the Executive approves the attached Action Plan put together in response to the Scrutiny Panel recommendations		
Impact of decision(s)	To ensure effective enforcement is in place in Middlesbrough in relation to fly-tipping and, over the next three years, to achieve a significant reduction in fly-tipping across Middlesbrough and to improve the condition of back alley cleanliness resulting in financial savings to the Council.		

#### What is the purpose of this report?

1. The purpose of this report is to note the contents of the Environment Scrutiny Report on Fly-Tipping and Enforcement and approve the attached action plan in response to their findings.

#### Why is this report necessary?

2. In line with the Council's constitution following approval of the Environment Scrutiny Report on Fly-Tipping and Enforcement report by Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB) on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018, the recommendations of the scrutiny panel now need to be considered by the Executive. If the Executive does not consider the issue within eight weeks of the date of OSB, the matter may be referred to Council.

#### What decision(s) are being asked for?

- 3. It is recommended that the Executive:
  - a. notes the content of the Environment Scrutiny Panel's report on Fly-Tipping and Enforcement; and,
  - b. approves the attached action plan put together in response to the Scrutiny Panel's recommendations.

#### Why is this being recommended?

4. It is a requirement that the Executive formally considers the Scrutiny Panel's report and confirms the service areas response to the Panel's accompanying action plan.

#### Other potential decisions and why these have not been recommended

5. Full details of what the Scrutiny Panel took into consideration when arriving at their recommendations are contained in the Scrutiny report (Appendix I).

#### Impact(s) of recommended decision(s)

To ensure effective enforcement is in place in Middlesbrough in relation to fly-tipping and, over the next three years, to achieve a significant reduction in fly-tipping across Middlesbrough and to improve the condition of back alley cleanliness resulting in financial savings to the Council

### Legal

6. No legal implications are identified at this time.

#### Financial

7. Financial Implications have been identified of approximately £36,000 which will be met from existing budgets.

#### The Mayor's Vision for Middlesbrough

**8.** This topic fits within the 'Safer Middlesbrough' priority of the Mayor's Vision 2025. "A well maintained and safe environment is vital to our town and we will continue to ensure that it is kept clean and that open spaces are attractive and well-maintained. Sustainable living is key to our town's future"

#### **Policy Framework**

9. No Policy Framework implications have been identified.

#### Wards

10. Confirmation of the action plan responses will affect all wards.

#### Equality and Diversity

11. Equality and diversity issues would be considered as part of any future programme as and when any specific schemes/ projects are progressed. This would include Impact Assessments where required.

#### Risk

12. No specific risk are identified at with these recommendations.

#### Actions to be taken to implement the decision(s)

13. The proposed actions in response to the Scrutiny Panel's recommendations are detailed in the Action Plan (Appendix II).

#### Appendices

Appendix I – Final Report of the Environment Scrutiny Panel – Fly-Tipping and Enforcement

Appendix II –

Action Plan with Service area comments

#### **Background papers**

Body	Report title	Date
Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB)	Final Report of the Environment Scrutiny Panel – Fly-Tipping and Enforcement	3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2018