



Response Date:10/03/2026

**2026/211 - Fly-tipping and Illegal Waste Site Enforcement [2021-2026]**

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

**Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (or the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, where applicable), please provide the following information regarding illegal fly-tipping and waste sites within your jurisdiction for each of the last five calendar years (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025) and for 2026 to date:**

**1. Incident and Arrest Data**

- **The total number of incidents recorded by your force with the closing category/tag of "Fly-tipping" or "Illegal Waste Disposal."**
- **The total number of arrests made where the primary or secondary offence was related to Section 33 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (unauthorised deposit of waste).**
- **The number of vehicles seized by your force suspected of being involved in fly-tipping or illegal waste transport.**

Please find below a count of occurrences for Depositing waste/litter offence types or if Occurrence Type is "Flytipping". This is broken down by HO description and Calendar year.

We have also included arrests where Occ Type is "Flytipping".

There was null return for vehicles seized.

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| Depositing waste/litter offence types or Occurrence Type "Flytipping"                                                                                                | 2021      | 2022      | 2023      | 2024      | 2025      | 2026     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Abandon property on a highway on land in the open air Refuse Disposal Amenity Act 1978 recordable                                                                    | 0         | 1         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0        |
| Arson not endangering life                                                                                                                                           | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 1         | 0        |
| ASB ENVIRONMENTAL                                                                                                                                                    | 0         | 3         | 1         | 0         | 0         | 0        |
| ASB PERSONAL                                                                                                                                                         | 1         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0        |
| Deposit dung compost rubbish on a made up carriageway                                                                                                                | 0         | 0         | 0         | 1         | 0         | 0        |
| Depositing, causing the deposition or permitting the deposition of controlled special waste in or on land without a licence                                          | 8         | 4         | 8         | 0         | 0         | 0        |
| Depositing, causing the deposition or permitting the deposition treating, keeping or disposing of controlled (but not special) waste in or on land without a licence | 69        | 53        | 35        | 64        | 38        | 4        |
| non crime occurrence                                                                                                                                                 | 1         | 2         | 1         | 1         | 0         | 1        |
| Throw down leave otherwise deposit litter                                                                                                                            | 8         | 6         | 4         | 5         | 4         | 0        |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                                                                                                         | <b>87</b> | <b>69</b> | <b>49</b> | <b>71</b> | <b>43</b> | <b>5</b> |

## Arrests

| Calendar Year | Occ. Type   | HO Description                                                                                                                                                       |
|---------------|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2024          | Fly Tipping | Depositing, causing the deposition or permitting the deposition treating, keeping or disposing of controlled (but not special) waste in or on land without a licence |

## 2. Illegal Waste Sites

- **The number of "Illegal Waste Sites" your force has assisted in shutting down in partnership with the Environment Agency or Local Authorities.**

All the Illegal waste site (IWS) are investigated by the NATURAL RESOURCES WALES (not the Environment Agency as they are based in England) and NWP assist them with their investigations.

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- **The number of active criminal investigations currently being led by your force (or a dedicated rural/environmental crime unit) regarding organized waste crime.**

N/A.

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UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 04/03/2026