



Further to your information request FOI/EIR 25/26-392, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

Littering Fines

1. Do you issue fines for littering? (YES/NO)
2. If so, at what level do you levy fines?

Enforcement & Statistics

3. Do you use an in-house team or a private enforcement company to issue fines for littering?
4. How many Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) for littering did you issue in 2024/2025 (to date)?
5. How many Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) for car parking did you issue in 2024/2025 (to date)?

Litter Bins

6. How many litter bins do you have in your council area now?
7. How many litter bins did you have 10 years ago (2014/2015)?
8. Have you removed any litter bins in the past 10 years, and if so, how many?

Litter Clearance Costs

9. What was your annual spending on litter clearance in 2024/2025 compared to 2014/2015?

Fly-tipping

10. How many people did you catch fly-tipping in 2024?
11. How many FPNs did you issue for fly-tipping in 2024?
12. How many of the FPNs issued for fly-tipping were paid?
13. How many people did you prosecute for fly-tipping in court in 2024?
14. How many of the court prosecutions resulted in a custodial sentence for fly-tipping?

Response:

1. Yes
2. £65 - £500
3. In house
4. 10
5. 289 (Please note: East Cambridgeshire District Council issues Fixed Penalty Charges for car parking in council owned and managed car parks only).
6. Around 750, although we are currently undertaking a project to map all of them so this figure may increase.
7. Information Not Held
8. Information Not Held; please note however, we rarely remove litter bins.
9. We do not hold information specific for litter clearance. The budget for street cleansing, which includes street sweeping, litter clearance, emptying dog bins, removing graffiti and fly tipping was £1,016,706 in 24/25 and £637,157 in 14/15.
10. 0
11. 1 withdrawn
12. 0
13. 0
14. 0

The Council considers that the requested information falls within the Environmental Information Regulations ("EIR"), which relate to information on activities affecting or likely to affect the elements and factors of the environment.

In respect of those requests that were answered in full or partially and the total refused please take this as notice under FOIA, that we:

- a) Consider the information as exempt from disclosure under the Act;
- b) Claim exempt under sections of the Act:

Section 12(4)(a) – Information Not Held

- c) State why the exemption applies:

Regulation 12 (4) a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that (a) it does not hold that information when an applicant's request is received.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 25/26-392.

If information has been refused, please treat this as a Refusal Notice for the purposes of the Act.

If you disagree with our decision or are otherwise unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach foi@eastcambs.gov.uk and request a review. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under s50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.