

Dear

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION – FLYTIPPING

I write in response to your request for information in relation to flytipping within NHS Lothian.

Question:

Flytipping incidents

1. Do you record how many flytipping incidents occur on your sites? If yes for each incident, what information is recorded? (waste type, source – household or commercial, location of incident, volume)
2. Do you record how the flytipped materials are disposed e.g. into waste, into recycling, collected by the local authority, collected by a waste disposal commercial organisation?

Data that informs flytipping management

3. Do you collect information on any factors that might explain the frequency of flytipping (e.g. seasonality, transient populations, local or global events)? If yes, what do you collect?
4. Do you use any technology to support the identification and management of flytipping? (e.g. geospatial technology)

Flytipping prevention activities

5. Have you carried out any flytipping prevention activities or interventions in the last three financial years (these could include – increased surveillance of hotspots, work with local communities and businesses, improved site security)? If yes: please list and describe the factors that informed the intervention's design.
6. Did you work with any internal or external partners when planning flytipping prevention activities or interventions? If yes, please list these partners.
7. Have you collected data on the impact and/or effectiveness of these flytipping prevention interventions? What measures of impact and/or effectiveness did you use?

Answer:

1.	Yes, we do have a means for recording. We would look to record date/time, location and of course the materials which have been left.
2.	Where materials are left on our site, and we would have to dispose of, we would record any appropriate waste transfer documentation and detail (dependant on the waste type).

3.	No
4.	No
5.	No
6.	No
7.	No

I am sorry I cannot help further with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

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Yours sincerely

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