



Task Group - Scoping Document – BLANK

Review Topic	Addressing the Issue of Fly Tipping
Chair	TBC
Group Membership	TBC
Officer Support	Jack Tickle, Democratic Services Officer
Purpose of the Review	<p>Fly tipping has been an area of national and local concern for councils across the country. In 2022/23, there was 1.08 million incidents of fly tipping reported across England. In the Northwest of England, there was an estimated 18 incidents of fly tipping per 1000 people over the same period.</p> <p>The purpose of this review is to analyse incidents of fly tipping in relation to Wyre Borough and provide a thorough investigation into the current methods utilised to reduce fly tipping.</p> <p>The review will evaluate whether further methods could be implemented or developed to address concerns over fly tipping, based on evidence gathered and practical examples from other Local Authorities.</p>
Essential Criteria (at least one must be marked)	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A council priority (as set out in the Council Plan)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A matter of significant, demonstrable public concern, as raised through ward councillors, local media etc.</p>
Role of Overview and Scrutiny in this Review (mark all that apply)	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Holding Executive to account – Key Decision</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Holding Executive to account – performance based</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Community champion</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> External partnership</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contribution to policy development</p>

	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy review <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory duties / compliance with codes of practice
Aims of Review / Terms of Reference	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To assess the issue of fly tipping and its impact across the borough of Wyre. 2) To identify groups and organisations that address fly tipping across the borough of Wyre. 3) To make recommendations for improvements. 4) To promote collaboration amongst relevant organisations and departments to reduce incidents of fly tipping within the borough of Wyre.
What specific value can Scrutiny add to this work area?	<p>Scrutiny could add value by contributing to the Council Plan through creating a cleaner, greener and more sustainable place. Scrutiny may also add value to this work area in additional ways:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Through creative thinking, Scrutiny would be able to provide a fresh perspective on fly tipping. A collaborative approach may generate unique ideas to address the challenges of fly tipping across Wyre Borough. 2) Scrutiny could liaise and collaborate with external organisations to strengthen working relations. 3) The ability to conduct targeted research on fly tipping using analysis of existing documents, policy and focused interviews with key figureheads internal and external to the council would enable concise research to be drawn up.
Methodology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written submissions • Interview Portfolio Holder • Site visits • Interview officers and other witnesses • Comparative research (qualitative/quantitative?) • Consultations • Review of key documents
Limits of Review	<p>The review should be limited to the investigation of fly tipping and the impact this has on the residents of Wyre.</p>
Potential Expert Witnesses	<p>Councillor Simon Bridge, Street Scene, Parks and Open Spaces Portfolio Holder.</p> <p>Mark Billington, Director of Environment.</p>

	<p>Kathy Winstanley, Assistant Director of Environmental Services.</p> <p>John Bettle, Lead Environmental Enforcement Officer.</p> <p>Corinne Mason, Manager of Environmental Protection and Community Safety.</p> <p>Bulky Matters</p> <p>Furniture Matters</p>
Documents to be considered	<p>The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005</p> <p>The Council Plan</p> <p>Previous Portfolio Holder and Cabinet reports</p> <p>Fly Tipping Online Reporting Document</p> <p>Keep Britain Tidy – Beyond the Tipping Point</p>
Risks	<p>No significant risks have been identified in relation to this task group.</p> <p>There is the possibility of the Task Group spilling over into additional topics (recycling, criminal activity, etc) that will need to be monitored.</p>
Level of Publicity	Low
Indicators of a Successful Review	The task group provides recommendations to improve current policy which prevents and mitigates against fly tipping.
Approximate Timeframe	TBC
Projected Start Date	September 2024 (provisional)