



Title of Report:	Private Contractor Litter Enforcement Statistics (WISE)
Committee Report Submitted To:	Environmental Services Committee
Date of Meeting:	12th April 2022
For Decision or For Information	For Information

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)	
Strategic Theme	Climate Change and our environment
Outcome	Increase capacity of Litter enforcement service to improve deterrent rates and reduce amount of litter across the Borough
Lead Officer	Head of Health & Built Environment

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	N/A
Included in Current Year Estimates	YES/NO
Capital/Revenue	N/A
Code	21451
Staffing Costs	NIL

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes/No	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update members on the private contractors actions from August 2021 to March 2022

2.0 Background (to include any previous decisions of Council)

2.1 Further to report item ES210810 Item 22, members will be aware that this service commenced 2nd August 2021.

2.2. Statistical information for the period 2nd August 2021 to 31st March 2022 of operation are provided in Tables below

Table 1. No of Fixed Penalties per Month (August 2021 – March 2022)

Month	Offence Type Count
August	748
September	507
October	235
November	157
December	67
January	135
February	101
March	224
Total	2178

Table 2. Fixed Penalty Notices (FPN's) Issued by Offence type (August 2021 – March 2022)

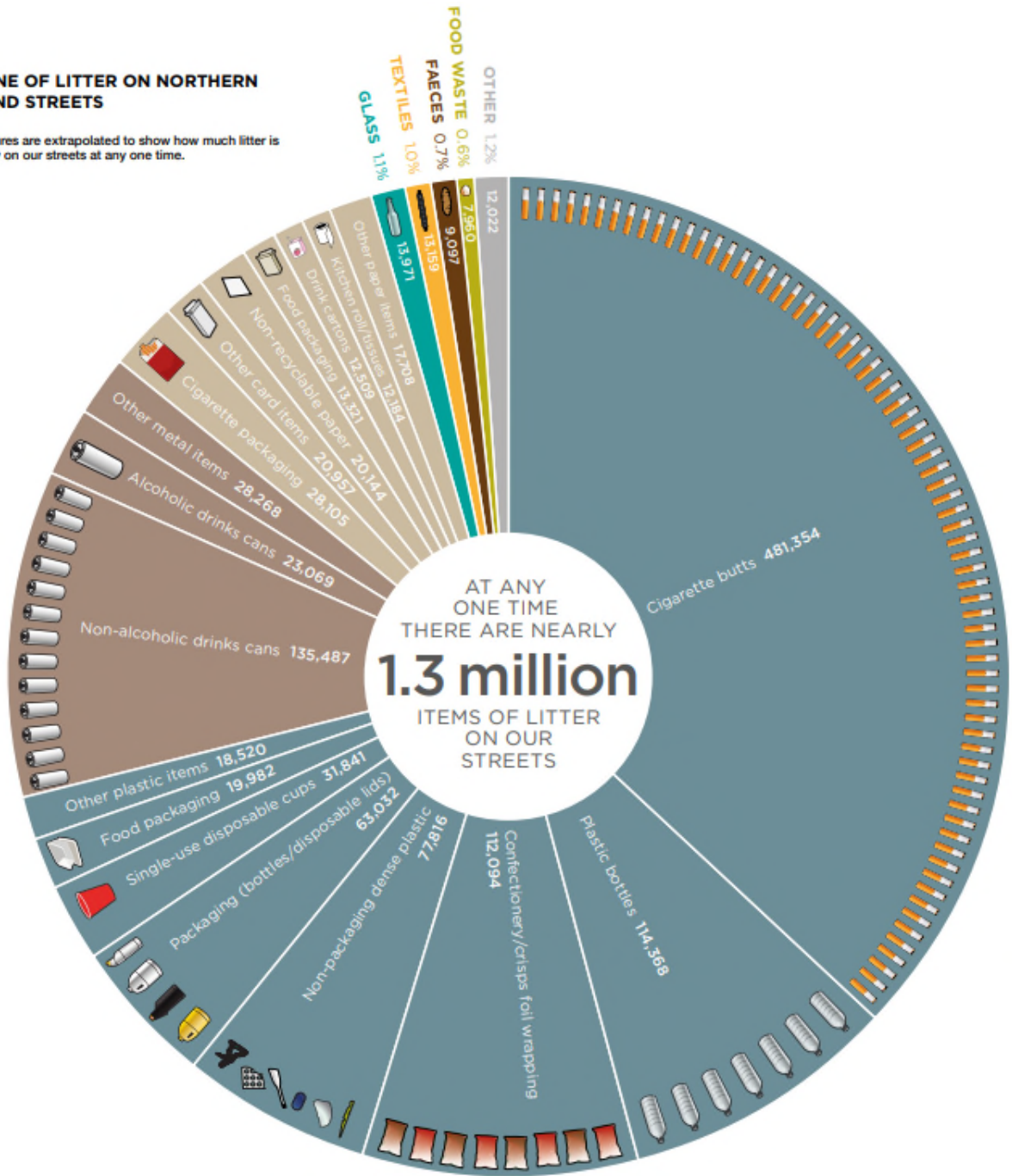
OFFENCE TYPE	Amount	Offence Type Count	Percentage
Dog Fouling-Dog Fouling	5600	<u>80</u>	<u>3.67</u>
Littering-Alcoholic Drinks	560	<u>7</u>	<u>0.32</u>
Littering-Bottle	4320	<u>55</u>	<u>2.53</u>
Littering-Bottle Top	480	<u>6</u>	<u>0.28</u>
Littering-Chewing Gum	2560	<u>33</u>	<u>1.52</u>
Littering-Cigar	80	<u>1</u>	<u>0.05</u>
Littering-Cigarette Butt	75760	<u>1249</u>	<u>57.35</u>
Littering-Confectionary Packs	2720	<u>34</u>	<u>1.56</u>
Littering-Discarded Food	1840	<u>24</u>	<u>1.1</u>
Littering-Face Mask	160	<u>2</u>	<u>0.09</u>
Littering-Fast Food Related	2800	<u>35</u>	<u>1.61</u>
Littering-Food Wrapper	1280	<u>20</u>	<u>0.92</u>
Littering-Non-Alcoholic Drinks Related	960	<u>12</u>	<u>0.55</u>
Littering-Other Litter	7440	<u>103</u>	<u>4.73</u>
Littering-Packaging	2400	<u>32</u>	<u>1.47</u>
Littering-Printed Literature	1360	<u>18</u>	<u>0.83</u>

Littering-Rolled up cigarette	20320	<u>316</u>	<u>14.51</u>
Littering-Scratch Card	2480	<u>31</u>	<u>1.42</u>
Littering-Snack Packs	3040	<u>38</u>	<u>1.74</u>
Littering-Soft Drink Bottle	2000	<u>25</u>	<u>1.15</u>
Littering-Soft Drink Can	2400	<u>32</u>	<u>1.47</u>
Littering-Sweet Wrapper	2000	<u>25</u>	<u>1.15</u>
Total:	142560	2178	

2.3 Litter Composition Report 2019/20 compiled by Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful produced the graphic below which highlights the categories of littered items and the amount of litter that could be on our streets at any one time.

OUTLINE OF LITTER ON NORTHERN IRELAND STREETS

These figures are extrapolated to show how much litter is potentially on our streets at any one time.



- 2.4 Officers continue to be deployed across the Borough, 7 days per week to detect offences with the aim of reducing the amount of litter across the Borough.
- 2.5 Members are reminded that should they wish to accompany any of the officers on patrol to observe first-hand how they engage with the public, that may be arranged.

2.6 All those that have been given a FPN have the right of representation directly to the company to challenge the issue. Details are provided on the FPN and on the Councils website.

<https://www.causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk/live/health-and-built-environment/environment-health-and-well-being/environmental-health/litter-enforcement>

2.7 For those who do not have internet access an address for written representations can be provided.

2.8 Council officers will continue to work with WISE officers targeting litter hotspots and promoting anti-litter initiatives such as the Butt Ballot boxes, use of litter bins, and the Green Dog Walker scheme.

3.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that the Environmental Service Committee recommends to Council to note the above.