



Whittlesey Town Council Update

October 2024

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Environmental Health

The Environmental Health Team have been very busy in Whittlesey Town and the surrounding villages this month.

The Food Safety inspections completed totalled 10 with most gaining a 5 Rating which is the highest food safety management score that can be achieved. Food Safety inspections look at the food business operator's food safety management, their cleaning regime and the confidence the inspector has in the food business operator's ability to produce food which is safe to eat.

A total of 10 planning applications were received where the Environmental Health Team have to determine any likely impact on local residents from the proposed development.



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In relation to complaint investigations in the Whittlesey Town and surrounding villages The Environmental Health received 42 requests for service.

These included 32 complaints relating to commercial noise, dust and odour, 7 complaints relating to Noise from amplified music and Barking Dogs, 1 complaint regarding odour from a domestic house, and 2 allegations of Anti-Social Behaviour.

The commercial odour number of complaints was high this month due to allegations that some operations at the Saxon Pit were causing local residents an odour problem in and outside their homes. All complainants have been fully advised regarding our complaint investigation procedures.

Streetscene

Performance	
Total number of hours out and about on patrol in the local community:	100 hrs
Number of areas inspected regarding Cleansing:	18
Percentage of cleansing inspections found to be of a suitable standard: Northwest	100% Those below std have been reported for cleansing



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Tidy Fenland - Fly Tipping

October's figures will be reported next month but Septembers is below

Month	Total	Chatteris	March	Whittlesey	Wisbech	Villages
September	149	7	19	6	75	42

A fridge freezer was found dumped while on patrol in the carpark near Lattersey Nature Reserve on New Road and was removed by Cleansing.

A black bag left on Drybread Rd was reported by a local resident, but sadly we found no evidence within the bag. Cleansing have now removed

Tidy Fenland – Dog Control

We continue to patrol with the nights closing in of the hotspot areas and open spaces. All signs have been refreshed and the dog bag dispenser at the Manor is being restocked by a community volunteer.

Abandoned and Nuisance vehicles.

7 vehicles reported as abandoned this month, all were visited and investigated. 1 was moved by its owner after it broke down, 1 belongs to a resident and has been reported for no road tax while parked on the road and 3 were removed by persons unknown following a 7-day notice being issued. 2 cars in Woolpack Lane carpark are being investigated by speaking to the nearby residents.



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Street Scene Actions

Other Street Scene Actions.

- We reported 2 potholes, 1 loose kerb and overgrown tree to CCC Highways while on patrol this month.
- 1 grave was marked in Whittlesey Cemetery.
- The overgrown Hedge blocking the footpath at Roman Close belongs to Clarion and they are aware of the issue.
- Additional monitoring on behalf of Environmental Health Colleagues has taken place in Saxon Road regarding odour nuisance.
- 1 incident of graffiti has been removed while on patrol in Burdette Road play area.
- Extra patrols have taken place along the truck stop on Kings Delph after reports of a homeless male sleeping in his car.
- Site visits to Victory Avenue regarding a fridge freezer left on the footpath saw the owner spoken to and it being removed the next day.

Markets and Fairs.

The fair visited this month and was well attended.



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Planning Enforcement

Performance	
Service Enforcement Requests received for September	7
Total number of Service Requests in September 2023 to 2024	84
Cases Closed this month	1
Notices Served	6

Open Spaces

As we approach the end of the grass cutting season, Tivoli staff have been concentrating on ensuring the final cuts are completed on time and to an acceptable standard.

The hedge cut is going well, with many hedges and shrubs being looked at this month. During October and November, the team will be focused on ensuring all hedge work is completed.

Work completed in October includes:

- Tidy informal hedge at Barnfield Gardens, Coates
- Remove dead wood from trees in North Green, Coates
- Replace foot post on play equipment in Tower Close Play Area
- Trim hedge obstructing footpath at Station Road
- Prune roses in Garden of Rest and mulch beds



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Coming soon:

- Repair gate at Whittlesey Cemetery
- Reinstate football goals at Yarwells Headland
- Stirm weeds at entrance to Manor Leisure Centre
- Shrub maintenance at Snowley Park
- Cut down wildflower's meadow at Manor
- Tidy box hedge in Garden of Rest