



Whittlesey Town Council Update

March 2025

Open Spaces

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Our grass cutting season started on 3rd March 2025 and we are pleased to report that most areas received their first 2 cuts of the season without any major issues. The weather has been on our side and the team are working hard to ensure the work is carried out to specification.

All FDC owned play areas had an annual safety inspection by ROSPA this month, we are currently awaiting the result of the assessment to enable us to plan in necessary repairs to ensure our play areas are safe and appealing to visitors. Work completed in March includes:

- Prepare and seed wildflower meadow at Manor
- Graffiti removal at Manor
- Cut down tree stump at Barnfield Gardens

Coming soon:

- Reinstate football goals at Yarwells Headland
- Clear branches and spray overflow car park at Manor
- Removal of fence surrounding old 5 a side court at Manor
- Clear vegetation on wall of Garden of Rest



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Fly tipped waste was found at Feldale place and residents were spoken too to ascertain who may have been responsible.

A resident has been issued with an interview under caution following their name and address found amongst waste dumped in Long Drove.

A littering ticket issued to a female in Quinion Close has now been paid

Abandoned Vehicles:

3 abandoned vehicle was reported this month. An officer attended to investigate all, and the cars were all later removed by their owners and not requiring any further action from FDC.

5 Nuisance vehicles have been reported to the police regarding parking and DVLA for no Tax offences.

Other Street Scene Issues:

- Additional cleansing was required in London Street and the sweeper needed to attend
- Litter picks have taken place in Belman's Grove, Burdett Grove and Sycamore Road



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These included 3 complaints relating to commercial noise, dust and odour, 2 complaints relating to Noise from amplified music and Barking Dogs, 1 complaint regarding odour and pests from a domestic house, and 2 allegations of Anti-Social Behaviour. 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:	35 hrs
Number of areas inspected regarding Cleansing	15
Percentage of cleansing inspections found to be of a suitable standard:	100%

Tidy Fenland – Fly Tipping & Dog Control

Fly Tipping figures recorded for March has seen a total of 134 incidents. Broken down into locations this was:

Month	Total	Chatteris	March	Whittlesey	Wisbech	villages
Mar-25	134	5	16	20	47	46*1 Coates & 1 Turves

Most items found were household related and of the waste dumped in Whittlesey there was no evidence found at the scene.



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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 4 with all 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 9 planning applications were received where the Environmental Health Team have to determine any likely impact on local residents from the proposed development.

In relation to complaint investigations in the Whittlesey Town and surrounding villages The Environmental Health received 8 requests for service.