

**Request:**

Under the provisions of the FOI Act, could you please response to the following points:

**1) From what date was the new charging system introduced at the North Tyneside Waste Recycling Centre?**

The new charging system was introduced on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.

**2) Since the introduction of these charges, has there been an increase in fly-tipping based on the corresponding period in 2017?**

Fly-tipping data is reported through Waste Data Flow (a web based system developed for local authorities in England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales to report essential information on municipal waste collection and management) in financial years.

2017/18 shows an increase against 2016/17.

The slight increase in fly-tipping may, in part, be due to more incidents being reported via new online reporting methods such as the "Fix My Street" application. The Council also encourages residents to report incidents as part of environmental campaigns such as "Big Spring Clean" and "Love Your Street." Another contributing factor is that from time-to-time, an incident may be reported several times by different individuals and these will be recorded separately.

**3) If so, what percentage increase does this represent?**

There has been an 11% increase between 2016/17 and 2017/18.

**4) How much has Fly-tipping cost the council for the year 2017?**

In 2016/17 the costs were £188,737 and for 2017/18 £199, 922.

The costs are estimated, not actual, based on actual numbers and standard costs.

**5) Where are the main 5 Fly-tipping "Hotspots" in the North Tyneside area?**

Land off the A187 Howdon Road, North Shields close to the end of St Stephen's Way.

Land off the B1325 Hartley Lane between Old Hartley and Earsdon Village.

Crow Bank, Wallsend.

Back lanes around Charlotte Street, Northumberland Street, Laurel Street, Vine Street and Holly Avenue, Wallsend.



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Back lanes around Chirton West View, Tennyson Terrace, Seymour Street and Vicarage Street.

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