

## **Response to Request for Information**

**Reference** FOI 003469 **Date** 16 April 2019

## Metal Detecting

## Request:

I would like to know if im able to metal detect on public council land, if this is acceptable please see details below:

Could you please provide a list or a highlighted map of public areas owned by the council, such as public fields, scrub land, parks etc. that would be acceptable to use a metal detector on.

Areas of interest for detecting in would include: Compton, Tettenhall, Castlecroft, Finchfield and Wightwick.

Also, Is a special permit required? If so, how can I obtain one?

Metal detecting would not be permitted where a commercial asset is let to third party occupier. Landlord consent will be required before any metal detection activity takes place.

In respect of operational council sites, metal detecting can be allowed on selected Parks and Open Spaces sites and this would be managed by Parks booking through our Events Team, City Economy (booking of a site/ensuring relevant indemnities and insurances are in place). Once the booking is made, permissions about the metal detecting request would be considered by the Parks team on site by site basis.

For other Council Sites (those under Corporate Landlord) once the enquiry is received by City Economy it will then be directed to the relevant service area. If this is Corporate Landlord managed assets, we would then make a decision on a case by case basis in conjunction with applicable service areas and any permissions/refusals issued as appropriate to the enquirer.

The e-mail address for enquiries in the first instance is: events.enquiry@wolverhampton.gov.uk

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