

Response to Request for Information

Reference EIR 000137 **Date** 25 April 2017

Asbestos and Toxic Substances reported in relation to Flytipping

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Please tell me:

1)

- a) How many incidents of asbestos fly-tipping, both small and large scale, there were in the financial years of:
 - 2014-2015
 - 2015-2016
 - 2016-2017
- b) What's the largest amount of asbestos that's been fly tipped in the financial years of: (Please give answer in tonnes.)
 - 2014-2015
 - 2015-2016
 - 2016-2017
- c) What's the longest time period an asbestos fly tip site, both small and large scale, was left from the moment it was reported until the day of removal in the financial years of: (Please list in days.)
 - 2014-2015
 - 2015-2016
 - 2016-2017
- d) How much did it cost the council to remove the asbestos at the sites reported? (Same financial years as above.)
- e) Out of those incidents of fly-tipping involving asbestos, how many led to successful prosecution or fines? (Same financial years as above.)
- 2) How many incidents of fly-tipping that were reported contained toxic material? Please list the items that were found as examples.
 - 2014-2015
 - 2015-2016
 - 2016-2017

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Thank you for your request for information about the above. We are dealing with your request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 rather than Freedom of Information. In response to your request, please find our response below:

We don't have this level of detail as all fly tip removal from the adopted highway & our parks is covered by the general Street Cleansing budget. We are unable to split the costs per waste type.

However we can confirm that fly tipped asbestos on the adopted highway and in our parks is a not a problem in Wolverhampton. There are around 5 incidents each year that the street cleansing department deals with. Asbestos is hazardous and removed as soon as we are aware of it. The street cleansing team contact the Wolverhampton Homes Asbestos team to remove any reported incidents.