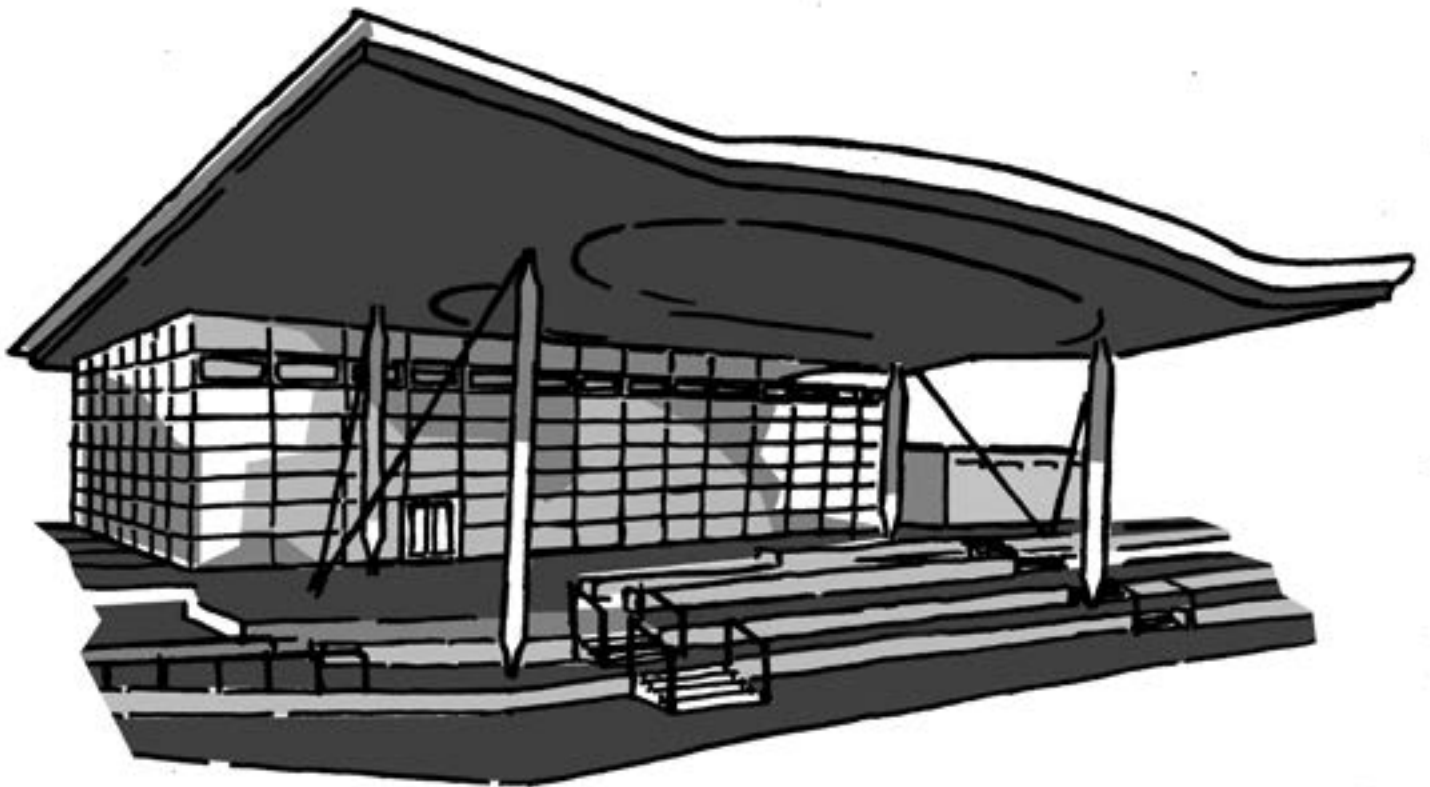




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Welsh Government

A Litter and Fly-tipping Free Wales

Litter and Fly-tipping Prevention Plan for Wales



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Welsh Government

What is Easy Read?

This is an easy read version of our Litter and Fly-tipping Prevention Plan.

But you may still need support to read and understand this document. Ask someone you know to help you.

Introduction



What is Litter and Fly-tipping?

Litter is when someone drops their rubbish, like food wrappers or drink bottles, on the floor or they leave it somewhere like on a park bench, instead of putting it in a bin.



Fly-tipping is when someone dumps something bigger, like a sofa or a black bag full of rubbish.

Why is Litter and Fly-tipping bad?

Dropping litter or fly-tipping is breaking the law.



When people drop litter or fly-tip it makes places dirty and untidy. It also makes people feel unhappy about the places they live in or visit on holiday.



Rubbish can hurt wildlife and pets if there are poisonous chemicals or sharp objects.

It can go down drains and get washed into rivers ending up in the sea or on beaches.



People have to clean up rubbish which is not nice and costs lots of money to do.



It's better for rubbish to be recycled instead of being dropped or dumped. This way, we keep materials in use and avoid wasting things.

What we want to do

Litter and fly-tipping can be found everywhere.



The Welsh Government has made a plan to stop this.

To do this we want everyone to work together – from the people making things being thrown away, to those who want to help stop it.

How you can help?

We want everyone to help stop littering and fly-tipping in Wales.



We want to hear what you think of our plan and if you think it will help?

We also want to hear about any other ideas you might have to stop it from happening in the first place?



What's in our Plan?

Our Plan has 5 ideas, which we think will stop littering and fly-tipping:

Idea 1 – Help everyone stop making so much rubbish



When we eat and drink things, we are often left with rubbish which needs to be put in a bin.

Lots of things are made to be used once, then they become rubbish. It's better for us to use things lots of times so they don't need to be thrown away.



Or if they do become rubbish – we should recycle them to make new things. This is better for the environment.

We want to stop so many things being thrown away, especially plastic, as this wastes resources and causes rubbish.



We plan to do this by working with businesses so they make less packaging, help people repair or reuse their items and allow people to get money back when they return their drinks cans and bottles.

By all of us making less rubbish there will be less litter and fly-tipping on our streets, and in our parks and countryside.

Idea 2 – Finding out where litter and fly-tipping happens



It is important to find out where litter and fly-tipping happens in Wales.

We think finding out the amount will help us work out where the worst places are and try new ideas, like using technology, to help stop it.

Finding these things out will also help us work out if our Plan is working.



Idea 3 – Helping people know it is wrong to drop litter and fly-tip

We want to help everyone know dropping litter and fly-tipping is wrong and help people get rid of their rubbish the right way.

It makes places we live in and visit dirty, and can hurt wildlife and pets.

It costs lots of money to clean up.

We want to do this by having adverts and posters for people to see or hear.





We also want to work with young people, businesses and Councils to find ways of stopping litter around schools, shops and other places.

We plan to look at ways to stop people flushing things like wet wipes down the toilet, so they don't end up in the sea.

We think it's important we tell everyone littering and fly-tipping is bad and help them make the right decisions when getting rid of their rubbish.

Idea 4 – What should happen to people who litter and fly-tip?

Dropping litter or fly-tipping rubbish is against the law.

If somebody is caught littering or fly-tipping they can get a fine, or if they fly-tip a big amount of rubbish they can go to jail.

If people are caught littering and fly-tipping we want to make sure they are punished.

We want to help people get rid of their rubbish the right way and not litter or fly-tip so they don't get fined or go to jail.



Idea 5 – Things we can do to stop litter and fly-tipping



People often say they drop litter or fly-tip in places because there is rubbish there already.

Sometimes people say they litter because they couldn't find a bin or because the bin was full.

People also say it is hard for them to find a way to get rid of their rubbish properly so they fly-tip it.



We want to make it easier for people to do the right thing when getting rid of their rubbish and help the people who collect it.



How to respond

Please write your answers to our questions in the easy read response form below.

Or you can send your comments and ideas in an email to:

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Large print, Braille and alternative language versions of this document are available.

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Please fill in the details below and return with the Questions.

Name:

Organisation (if applicable):

Type of organisation:

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Telephone number:

Address:

Question 1

Do you think our Plan will help stop litter and fly-tipping in Wales?

Yes

No

Don't Know

Please provide more details here if needed.

Do you have any other ideas to stop littering and fly-tipping in Wales?

Please provide more details here.