ADEPT Awards 2018 – Category 3 Entry – Hertfordshire Fly Tipping Group.

In response to concerns about the seemingly unstoppable rise in fly tipping in early 2016 the Hertfordshire Fly Tipping Group was formed to tackle the problem. The FTG is a multiagency task force including Hertfordshire's 11 local authorities, the Office of Police & Crime Commissioner, Hertfordshire Constabulary, Hertfordshire Fire & Rescue, the Environment Agency, and the National Farmers Union. The FTG brings together a variety of disciplines from preventative behavioural change work through to intelligence gathering and frontline enforcement operations.

The group quickly published its first 2 year work programme covering key issues such as the conceptualisation, design and implementation of a county wide fly tipping campaign; to the development of a bespoke training academy for frontline enforcement officers designed to equalise upwards the standard of investigations for pursuing more serious cases through the courts

The work of the FTG is supported by funding from Hertfordshire's Police & Crime Commissioner. In addition to the above the funding has supported a number of projects ranging from the provision of specialist cameras to tackle fly tipping; through to the use of hand held technologies to improve how fly tipping incidents are investigated meaning enforcement officers are able to be significantly more productive. Funding for such initiatives is provided on a match funding basis with funding only obtained following a bidding and challenge process to ensure projects are in line with a selection criteria agreed by the FTG.

The impact of the FTG's work is reflected in a significant drop in the number of incidents reported from April 2017 – February 2018 which saw a reduction of 2308 incidents (16.6%) compared to same period in 2016/17. More recently the work of the FTG was recognised at the 2018 Keep Britain Tidy awards, where, led by East Hertfordshire DC the FTG picked up the award for Best Partnership.

In addition to launching a number of new work streams the FTG is currently focused on its multi-channel fly tipping campaign, which launched on Monday, 12th March 2018. The campaign has been simultaneously rolled out by the FTG's 16 different stakeholders groups as well as supported by a range of other organisations such as ASPE, CIWM and Defra. The campaign includes a range of instruments; including specifically designed social media images, a householder leaflet, two short films, special banners for installation on farms and other private land, vehicle banners and a magazine pull out that was included in the county-wide magazine in March 2018, thus ensuring all householders in Hertfordshire have been provided with the necessary information. In the two weeks since the launch of the campaign the first of the FTGs short films has been viewed over 44,000 across the FTGs social media channels.

Innovatively all campaign materials have been deliberately designed so that they can be used by any local authority and / or local authority partnership. To encourage wider adoption the FTG is offering a campaign toolkit to those interested with kits recently provided to a number of other local authorities across the UK.

Tweet

Together with our partners we have been working to #SCRAPflytipping in #Herts. @HertsWasteAware @HertsPCC @Hertspolice @HFRS @NFUHerts @EnvAgencySE @KeepBritainTidy @hertscc

Hertfordshire Fly Tipping Group – supporting images

















Staged fly tip launch event in Dacorum

Attended by (left to right); Jennie Probert, Vice Chair - Hertfordshire Fly Tipping Group, Will Dickinson, Regional Board Chair of the NFU, Duncan Jones, Chair - Hertfordshire Fly Tipping Group, David Lloyd, Police Crime Commissioner for Hertfordshire, Rt Hon Sir Mike Penning MP, Cllr David Collins, Dacorum representatives; Cllr David Collins - Mayor of Dacorum, Cllr Janice Marshall - Cabinet Member for Environmental, Sustainability & Regulatory Services, Craig Thorpe - Group Manager, Environmental Services, David Austin - Assistant Director - Neighbourhood Delivery, Melanie Parr - Environmental Projects Lead and Charlie Hall - Chief Constable for Hertfordshire.







Banners in action





#SCRAPflytipping engagement on social media





Four page spread in county-wide magazine Horizons (delivered March 2018)



Find our campaign;

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/flytipping

https://twitter.com/HertsWasteAware

https://www.facebook.com/WasteAwarePartnership/

https://www.instagram.com/hertswasteaware/

https://www.youtube.com/user/HertsWasteAware

Our two fly tipping films can be viewed here;

www.youtube.com/watch?v=dLGfUGVD8NU www.youtube.com/watch?v=1E8nQkOb3Eo

Our offer to other local authorities to receive the campaign toolkit;

