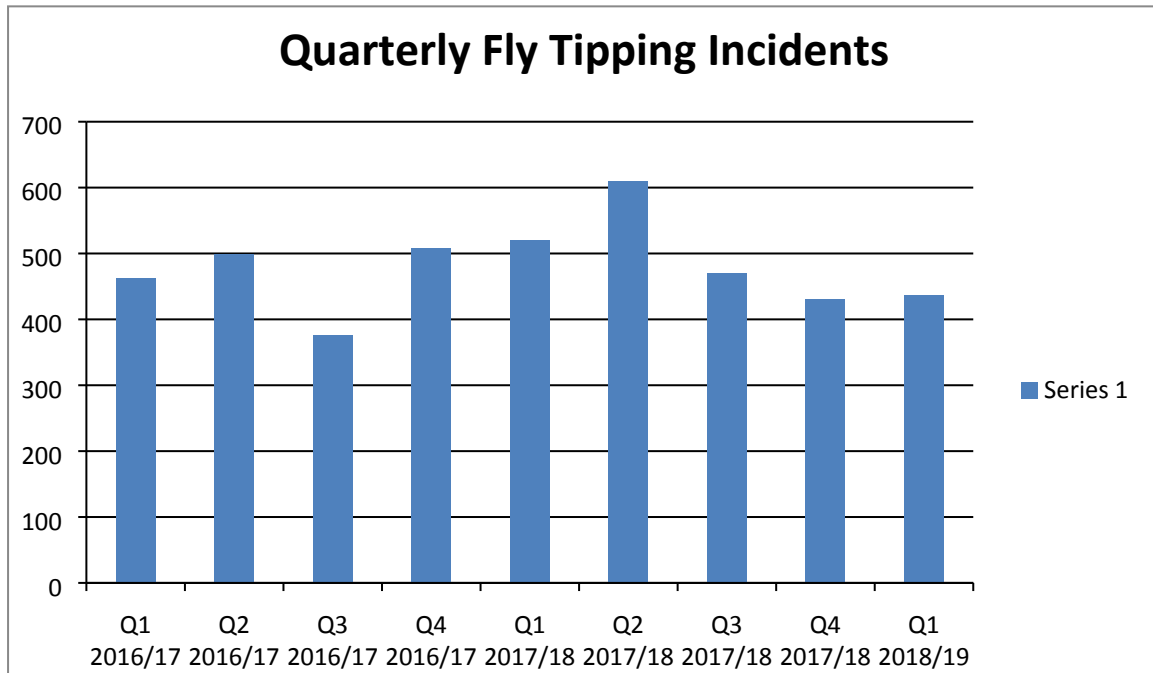


Gedling Borough Council Fly Tipping Trends

Incidents of fly tipping reported since the first quarter of 2016/ to the present are shown in the graph below:



Analysis of the trends shows that there is a general increase in reports over the summer and that there was a peak in incidents at Quarter 2 in 2018. Although this peak reflected a general increase in fly tipping incidents across the country it was distinct and noticeable in Gedling. During this period the County Council announced that they would be introducing registration of vehicles at the amenity site in Calverton from the end of the quarter. If the registration of vehicles had caused fly tipping to increase than it would have been picked up in in the figures for Q3, 2018 which in fact showed a decrease. Officers are aware that although the registration of vehicles was announced, it was not actually implemented and has not caused an increase in fly tipping figures.

Since Q2, 2018 the figures for fly tipping have reduced by approximately 20%, this is a real achievement, brought about by coordinated work across the Council.

Action taken to address the increase in fly tipping at Quarter 2, 2018

As a consequence of the Q2 2018 figure a corporate fly tipping working group was set up. Its main task was to analyse and clarify the internal processes within the council, to simplify them and revise working practices to reduce the number of fly tip reports as well as deterring fly tipping, which it has managed to do by bringing in the following actions:

Ensuring that the clearance of fly tips by PASC and Waste Services is still within the 4 working days period

Formalising the accepted practice that Neighbourhood Wardens collect small black bin type fly tips, even if they have not yet been reported

Ensuring that the number of times a fly tip is visited is kept to a minimum

Widening the use of the visible yellow crime scene tape and free standing signs

Prioritising the collection of fly tips in highly visible areas to prevent multiple reporting

Developing the use of cheap “disposable” cameras for covert monitoring

To continue with active enforcement, an example of which was the £300 fixed penalty notice served on a contractor at the beginning of September for dropping ready mix in a layby.

Publicising enforcement activity through conventional and new media

Customer services ensuring that multiple reporting of the same fly tip is kept to a minimum.

This coordinated council wide activity has at this early stage appeared to have had a significant affect in reducing the reports of fly tipping by about 20% from its peak.