

Litter Bin Policy

Introduction

The Council has no legal duty to provide litter and dog waste bins, but it does have a duty to keep Council owned land clear of litter and refuse as far as is practicable. Since changes to the classification of waste, dog waste can be put into litter bins, and disposed of in the same way.

The Council provides litter bins across the land owned and leased by the Council for example, The Park, School Road, The Centenary Field, Mill Lane, Ridings Road and The Brockridge Centre grounds, Woodend Road.

Bins are traditionally provided, maintained, and emptied as a means of controlling litter or dog waste problems. Whilst the Council is committed to providing sufficient bins to help discharge its responsibilities under the Environmental Act 1990, bins will only be in areas where it can be demonstrated that there is a genuine need for one.

- The Council must agree all locations
- Purpose of this Document
- The purpose of this policy is to detail how the Council will:
- Deal with request for new bins
- Empty and maintain existing bins
- Replace existing bins

Requests for New Bins

All requests for new bins must be received in writing to the Parish Clerk. The request must demonstrate why there is the need for a bin and include:

- Plan of the proposed location for the bin
- A draft risk assessment identifying any hazards that the placement of a bin may cause to members of the public or Council staff.

Due to the costs of installing, maintaining and emptying bins, all requests for new bins will be assessed by the Council using the following process:

Site survey:

A site survey, will be conducted by a member of the Council staff who will consider the following criteria:

- Suitability of the proposed location – taking account of the need to reduce street clutter, particularly in more sensitive locations such as a Conservation Area or public realm spaces.
- Scale of the litter, dog waste problem. Will a bin make a real impact on litter, or can this be addressed in other ways?
- Proximity to potential problem points
- Number and location of existing bins in the area
- Accessibility for the bin – in terms of the bin and ensuring the bin itself is not a hazard or barrier for pedestrians including prams and wheelchairs for example
- Cost of purchase and installation
- Cost of emptying the bin
- The possibility of valid objections from neighbours

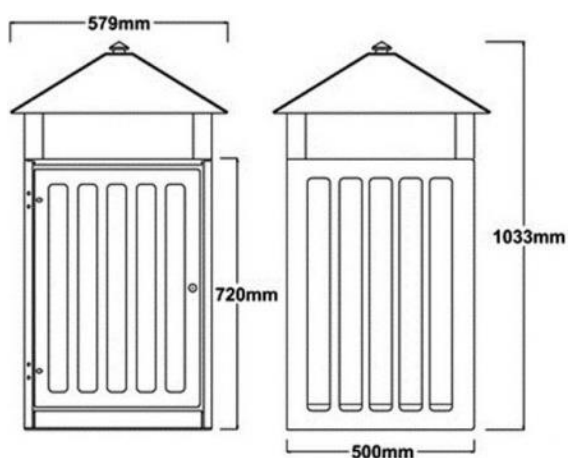
Bin Style

The Council conducted an audit of all bins owned by the Council in 2021. The report allowed the Council to prioritise the replacement of litterbins in order of age and life expectancy, ensuring all areas that are served by both a litterbin and a dog bin would be replaced with one litter bin thus reducing the costs for emptying the bins.

The Council's preferred bin is the

Sentinel Park Litter Bin - 107 Litre

The Council hopes to deliver this new bin roll out over a three-year (2021-2023) period. All bins will be emptied on such a frequency that will prevent them overflowing. This will be based on their location and related to the intensity of use. The frequency will also vary according to the time of year and extraordinary events. Monitoring will ensure that these frequencies are sufficient.



New Litter Bin Assessment Form

Bin Requested by	
Location of requested bin	
Risk Assessment	
Suitability of Location	
Scale of Litter Problem	

Arrangements Approved or Rejected.....

Assessment Completed by

Date