
APPENDIX 2: BIRKENHEAD CONSTITUENCY COMMITTEE



Community Clear Ups

Rodney Street

- Date 15th October
- Household waste removed: 4 skips = 2 tonnes

-Partner Involvement:

The environmental day was organised by the Rodney Street Resident Association with the support of the Birkenhead Constituency Committee, Involve Northwest and Wirral Council Apprentices.

The resident association also involved the children who lived in the road by organising a litter picking competition.



Beaconsfield Court

- Date 15th November
- Household waste removed: 2 skips = 1 tonne

-Partner Involvement:

Cllr Chris Meaden ordered the skips with the Birkenhead Constituency Committee and liaised with the residents herself.

Harrowby Road

- Date January 16
- Household waste removed: 2 skips = 1 tonne

-Partner Involvement:

Cllr Pat Cleary ordered the skips with the Birkenhead Constituency Committee and liaised with the residents himself.

Police Action Day (North End)

- Date February 16

-Household waste removed: 6 skips = 3 tonnes
9 x 7.5 Biffa Lorries = 9 tonnes

-Partner Involvement:

On the 1st February 2016 the police organised a day of action around the North End and Harrowby Road, Tranmere.

The purpose of the community action day was to allow vulnerable residents to dispose of household waste while giving the police the opportunity to engage with the residents at the same time.

The police requested support from the Birkenhead Constituency Committee, both in terms of providing the skips and by organising additional support from Biffa and Involve Northwest.

Skips were placed at:

- Harrowby Road, Tranmere
- Hurrell Road, North End
- Norman Street, North End
- Connaught Close, North End



Hurrell Road required extra support from Involve Northwest and Biffa due to the amount of household waste placed at the site of the skips. Biffa assisted and 9 extra lorry loads were needed to remove the waste.

It is always difficult to estimate how much waste will be deposited at the location of the skips and in the case of Hurrell Road the amount of waste was far too much for the capacity of the skips.

Without the additional support of Biffa and Involve Northwest it would have been extremely difficult to remove the waste that couldn't fit into the skips.

Seymour Street

-Date February 16
-Household waste removed: 2 skips = 1 tonne

-Partner Involvement:

Cllr Pat Cleary ordered the skips with the Birkenhead Constituency Committee and liaised with the residents himself.

Elmswood Road

- Date February 16
- Household waste removed: 2 skips = 1 tonne

-Partner Involvement:

Cllr Pat Cleary ordered the skips with the Birkenhead Constituency Committee and liaised with the residents himself.

Clifton Park

- Date: February 2016
- Household waste removed: 2 skips – 1 tonne

-Partner Involvement:

Even though Clifton Park only had 2 skips on the Community Clear Up Day itself a lot of work was undertaken previously to identify issues the area was facing.

A walk about of the area was conducted by officers from the councils ASB Team, Waste and Recycling, ward councillors, Merseyside Police and representatives from Registered Social Landlords.

Below are the actions that were identified and actioned following the walk about.

1. Hollybank, gate 663 – serious fly tipping – Lisa to action - put on CRM and let the enforcement team know alley gate fly tipping dumped bath/sofa cushions/black bags.
2. Street light permanently on 46 Hollybank Road column 10
3. 37A The Woodlands bins - x3 green contaminated bins on footpath possible abandoned multiple bin bags have been left out - send enforcement letter out Front 37a
4. 45 The woodlands – Ian Gordon/Alan Lipscombe will investigate to see if it is an empty property and report back.
5. 47 The Woodlands - front driveway contaminated with over 30 black bin bags/x3 wheelie bins contaminated/x1 burnt out bin.
6. Street light out in Brookland Road
7. Borough Road opposite Pyramids – 3 bin bags to be shifted –Lisa to action with the neighbourhood.
8. Borough Road opposite TJ Hughes – alleyway to be cleansed and also grotspot outside of alleyway
9. 14 Circular Road- alley gate 677, wall is falling down
10. 12 Circular Road – A number of household items in the front garden
11. Side 22 Circular Road Birkenhead entry between the houses full of weeds
12. Rear 3 Lowwood Road Birkenhead Barn's estate agents Grange Road West landlord burning rubbish at rear

13. Dog fouling in the play area reported to Dog Fouling and Wirral Anti-social Behaviour Team.
14. 3 x Wheelie bin fires on The Woodlands to MFRS and Wirral Anti-social Behaviour Team
15. 5 The Woodlands reported to MFRS to assess any fire risk.
16. Cllr Jean Stapleton requested Mike from Wirral Anti-Social Behaviour Team contacted Environmental Health regarding fly tipping on Oxton Estate, Halcyon Road.

Police Action Day (Beechwood)

- Date 2nd March
- Household waste removed: 5 skips = 2.5 tonnes

-Partner Involvement:

Led by Merseyside Police, a day of action was organised on the Beechwood Estate on the 2nd March. The day consisted of a few elements including

- 5 skips situated around the estate to allow residents to dispose of household waste.
- Unused garages were searched for signs of illegal activity.
- Removal of graffiti
- Removal of a pole outside the shops on Fender Way for safety reasons.

A number of different organisations supported the day with Merseyside Police, Birkenhead Constituency Committee, Jigsaw (Liverpool Housing Trusts internal waste removal team) and the Councils Waste and Recycling and ASB Teams

Police Action Day (Beechwood)

- Date: 27th April
- Household waste removed: 3 skips = 3 tonnes

-Partner Involvement:

Designed as a follow up engagement day from the event on the 2nd March the Police requested 3 skips be placed at various locations on the estate for residents to dispose of household items.

The day also included litter picking with the local primary school, engagement with local residents around anti-social behaviour and promoting the police presence on the estate.

A number of different organisations supported the day with Merseyside Police, Birkenhead Constituency Committee, Jigsaw (Liverpool Housing Trusts internal waste removal team) and the Councils Waste and Recycling and ASB Teams

Ribble Street

- Date: 13th May
- Household waste removed: 2 skips = 1 tonne

-Partner Involvement:

The Birkenhead Constituency Team liaised directly with local residents and Cllr Brian Kenny to organise for 2 skips to be placed on Ribble Street which allowed elderly residents in the road to dispose of household items.

Clear up of Rock Ferry Shore and Esplanade.



- Date: 20th May
- Household waste removed: 1 skip = 1/2 tonne

-Partner Involvement:

The Birkenhead Constituency Team has extensively worked with the Rock Park Proprietors on the maintenance of Rock Ferry Shore and Esplanade.

This has included assisting the group with skips, litter picks and liaising with Biffa on the groups behalf to arrange a regular time the group can leave waste for Biffa to collect. The local residents and Councillors have done a great job of frequent beach clean-ups, with support from the Refreshment Rooms too. A regular collection by Biffa of waste has also been established.

Raffles Road

- Date: 26th May
- Household waste removed: 2 skips = 1 tonne

-Partner Involvement:

Cllr Pat Cleary ordered the skips with the Birkenhead Constituency Committee and liaised with the residents himself.

Patterson Street

- Date: 14th June
- Household waste removed: 3 skips = 1 ½ tonne

-Partner Involvement:

The Birkenhead Constituency Team worked in partnership with the Councils Waste and Recycling Department on the Patterson Street Action Day. This allowed residents in the street to discard household items and unwanted goods.

The Woodlands

- Date: 16th June
- Household waste removed: 3 skips = 1 ½ tonne

-Partner Involvement:

Following on from the successful community clear up day in February 3 skips were placed around the Woodlands and Clifton Park estate for residents to dispose of any unwanted household items. It is hoped that this will lead to a reduction in fly tipping and litter on the estate as well as allowing residents who may not have access to a vehicle to take items to waste recycling centre to dispose of any goods they want to dispose.

Police Action Day (Beechwood)

- Date: 22nd June
- Household waste removed: 3 skips = 1 1/2 tonnes

-Partner Involvement:

Police requested 3 skips be placed at various locations on the estate for residents to dispose of household items.

The day also included litter picking with the local primary school, engagement with local residents around anti-social behaviour and promoting the police's presence on the estate.

A number of different organisations supported the day with Merseyside Police, Birkenhead Constituency Committee, Jigsaw (Liverpool Housing Trusts internal waste removal team) and the Councils Waste and Recycling and ASB Teams

Birkenhead Town Centre

- Date: 13th July
- Household waste removed: 4 skips = 2 tonnes

-Partner Involvement:

The Constituency Committee Team worked with colleagues from Birkenhead First and Merseyside Police on an environmental day for Eastbourne Road, Oxton Road North, Tetbury Street and Quarrybank.

The day allowed for resident in these streets and surrounding areas to discard of any unwanted items which will hopefully reduce fly tipping in the future.

Victoria Road

- Date: 15th Sep
- Household waste removed: 1 skip = 1/2 tonne

-Partner Involvement:

Cllr Pat Cleary ordered the skips with the Birkenhead Constituency Committee and liaised with the residents himself.

Beaconsfield Community Centre

- Date: 3rd Oct
- Household waste removed: 1 skip = 1/2 tonne

-Partner Involvement:

The community clear up was arranged by Neo Café and took place around the Beaconsfield Community Centre, full estate clean up including litter picks, garden clearance of fly tipping and a clear up of the ally along with some other bits from the community house.

Harrowby Road Community Action Day

- Date: 18th November
- Household waste removed: 4 skips = 2 tonnes

-Partner Involvement:

The action was organised in partnership between the Birkenhead Constituency Team and the Council's Healthy Homes Team. Harrowby Road is a selective licensing area and the action day provided an ideal opportunity for the Healthy Homes Officers to engage with the local residents in the road.

The day was also supported by organisations such as Merseyside Police, Mersey Fire and Rescue Service, Wirral Change, Biffa, Energy Project Plus as well as council colleagues from the Waste and Recycling Team.

Noctorum Community Action Day

-Date: 5th December

-Household waste removed: 3 skips = 2 tonnes

-Partner Involvement:

The Noctorum Action Day saw a wide range of organisations work together to benefit the estate. The idea of the day was proposed by the newly formed Noctorum Community Association to combat environmental issues and fly tipping on the estate and saw a number of skips placed to allow residents whom may have difficulties accessing the waste and recycling centres to discard unwanted household items.

Partnership working also saw organisations such as Magenta Housing, Merseyside Police, Probation Service, Council's Waste and Recycling Team and Biffa all supporting the day and engaging with local residents.

School children from St Peters and Hillside Primary Schools also took part in litter picking and with the fantastic support from the community association litter picked the majority of the estate.

It is hoped that the action day was the first of a lasting partnership between the Birkenhead Constituency Team and Noctorum Community Association.

Townsend Street Community Action Day

-Date: 7th December

-Household waste removed: 3 skips = 2 tonnes

-Partner Involvement:

Following a number of issues of anti-social behaviour in Townsend Street a community action day was coordinated in partnership between the Birkenhead Constituency Team and Merseyside Police.

Merseyside Police attended with the mobile police station and conducted an exercise of 'door knocking' and engaging with residents.

Fly tipping and environmental issues were addressed in partnership with Biffa, Probation Service, the Council Waste and Recycling Team and Mersey Fire and Rescue Service.

Gautby Road Community Centre and North Birkenhead Development Trust also took the opportunity to engage with residents in the area.

Total Waste Removed

In total the Birkenhead Constituency Committee has provided and planned (see next section) 77 skips and given officer support at various Community Clear Ups and Action Days at the cost of circa **£9200** from the skip fund budget.

While it is difficult to calculate exactly how much waste the constituency team has removed, a rough estimate based on information from the skip hire company and Biffa, **We estimate that it equates to at least 100 tonnes removed.**

The skip days bring local residents, Councillors, partner agencies like the police together. They improve the environment and provide a platform for closer working.

Forthcoming Community Action Days

St Anne Street

The Birkenhead Constituency Team has been working in partnership with the Birkenhead First Team, Magenta Housing and Merseyside Police to organise a community action day around St Anne Street on Wednesday 15th March.

Designed to tackle some of the issues the residents face the action day will have a positive effect on fly tipping, litter, anti-social behaviour and community spirit within the area.

The constituency team will be supporting the day by funding a number of skips so any resident in the area who has difficulty accessing the waste recycling centres or the ERIC service can discard any household items.

Rock Park Proprietors

The Constituency Team continues to support the Rock Park Proprietors in their work around Rock Ferry Esplanade.

Recent discussions have taken place between the group, the Birkenhead Constituency Team and the Councils Parks and Countryside Team to further the relationship and arrangements for how the group is supported.

Following these discussions a new way of working will be piloted which if successful will reduce the need for skips to be provided and see the litter that the group collects removed by the Parks and Countryside Team.

The new way of removing the litter will make the whole process more cost and time effective for everyone involved.