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| Title of Report: | Private Contractor Litter Enforcement Statistics (WISE) |
| Committee Report Submitted To: | Environmental Services Committee |
| Date of Meeting: | 11th October 2022 |
| For Decision or For Information | For Information |

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| Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25) | |
| Strategic Theme | Climate Change and our environment |
| Outcome | Increase capacity of Litter enforcement service to improve deterrent rates and reduce amount of litter across the Borough |
| Lead Officer | Head of Health & Built Environment |

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| Budgetary Considerations | |
| Cost of Proposal | N/A |
| Included in Current Year Estimates | YES/NO |
| Capital/Revenue | N/A |
| Code | 21451 |
| Staffing Costs | NIL |

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| Screening Requirements | Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals. | | |
| Section 75 Screening | Screening Completed: | Yes/No | Date: |
| | EQIA Required and Completed: | Yes/No | Date: |
| Rural Needs Assessment (RNA) | Screening Completed | Yes/No | Date: |
| | RNA Required and Completed: | Yes/No | Date: |
| Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) | Screening Completed: | Yes/No | Date: |
| | DPIA Required and Completed: | Yes/No | Date: |

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise members of the private contractors' litter enforcement activities for the contract which ran from 2nd August 2021 to 23rd September 2022.

2.0 Background

2.1 Further to report ES210810, CM210907, ES220922 and CM221004 members will be aware that the private litter enforcement service provided by Waste Investigations Support & Enforcement (WISE) commenced on 2nd August 2021 and came to an end on 23rd September 2022. This partnership was established to provide an additional resource to tackle the issues of littering and dog fouling throughout the Borough.

2.2. Statistical information for the full contract period is provided in tables below.

2.3 Table 1 Total No. of Fixed Penalty Notices (FPN's) Issued by Offence type (2nd August 2021 – 23rd September 2022)

| Offence Type | FPN Count | Percentage |
|--|-------------|------------|
| Dog Fouling-Dog Fouling | 110 | 1.03 |
| Littering-Alcoholic Drinks | 10 | 0.29 |
| Littering-Bottle | 57 | 1.65 |
| Littering-Bottle Top | 6 | 0.17 |
| Littering-Chewing Gum | 66 | 1.91 |
| Littering-Cigar | 2 | 0.06 |
| Littering-Cigarette Butt | 2175 | 62.79 |
| Littering-Confectionary Packs | 48 | 1.39 |
| Littering-Discarded Food | 25 | 0.72 |
| Littering-Face Mask | 4 | 0.12 |
| Littering-Fast Food Related | 56 | 1.62 |
| Littering-Food Wrapper | 38 | 1.1 |
| Littering-Non-Alcoholic Drinks Related | 17 | 0.49 |
| Littering-Other Litter | 147 | 4.24 |
| Littering-Packaging | 85 | 2.45 |
| Littering-Printed Literature | 37 | 1.07 |
| Littering-Rolled up cigarette | 498 | 14.38 |
| Littering-Scratch Card | 42 | 1.21 |
| Littering-Snack Packs | 43 | 1.24 |
| Littering-Soft Drink Bottle | 27 | 0.78 |
| Littering-Soft Drink Can | 50 | 1.44 |
| Littering-Sweet Wrapper | 30 | 0.87 |
| Total: | 3464 | |

2.4 Table 2 Fixed Penalty Notices issued by town/area (2nd August 2021 – 23rd September 2022)

| Town/Village | Town Count | Percentage |
|----------------|-------------|------------|
| Armoy | 4 | 0.12 |
| Ballarena | 1 | 0.03 |
| Ballintoy | 2 | 0.06 |
| Ballycastle | 37 | 1.07 |
| Ballymoney | 263 | 7.59 |
| Bushmills | 6 | 0.17 |
| Castlerock | 6 | 0.17 |
| Coleraine | 1961 | 56.61 |
| Cushendall | 1 | 0.03 |
| Cushendun | 1 | 0.03 |
| Dervock | 1 | 0.03 |
| Downhill | 3 | 0.09 |
| Garvagh | 4 | 0.12 |
| Kilrea | 1 | 0.03 |
| Limavady | 295 | 8.52 |
| Portballintrae | 2 | 0.06 |
| Portrush | 817 | 23.59 |
| Portstewart | 58 | 1.67 |
| Rasharkin | 1 | 0.03 |
| Total: | 3464 | |

2.5 Table 3 Fixed Penalty Notices issued by Council Ward (2nd August 2021 – 23rd September 2022)

| Ward | Ward Count | Percentage |
|---------------|-------------|------------|
| Ballymoney | 264 | 7.62 |
| Bann | 20 | 0.58 |
| Benbradagh | 2 | 0.06 |
| Causeway | 884 | 25.52 |
| Central | 1959 | 56.55 |
| Limavady | 296 | 8.55 |
| The Glens | 39 | 1.13 |
| Total: | 3464 | |

2.6 Table 4 Patrol hours by Council Ward (2nd August 2021 – 23rd September 2022)

| Ward | Hours Count | Percentage |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Ballymoney | 1226 hrs 2 mins | 20.05 |
| Bann | 327 hrs 44 mins | 5.36 |
| Benbradagh | 17hrs 6 mins | 0.28 |
| Causeway | 1230 hrs 36 mins | 20.13 |
| Central | 2873 hrs 38 mins | 47 |
| Limavady | 357 hrs 11 mins | 5.84 |
| The Glens | 82 hrs 8 mins | 1.34 |
| Total: | 6114 hrs 25 mins | |

2.7 Table 5 Fixed Penalty Notices (FPN) issued by Type of Land (2nd August 2021 – 23rd September 2022)

| Type of Land | FPN Count | Percentage |
|---------------|-------------|------------|
| Private | 779 | 22.49 |
| Public | 2685 | 77.51 |
| Total: | 3464 | |

2.8 Council receives a share of the income from all paid Fixed Penalty Notices issued by WISE. From August 2021 until the end of the contract in September 2022 this resulted in a generated income for Council of £20,601.

3.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that the Environmental Service Committee recommends to Council to note the above.