

Innovation in Council & PSNI Partnerships

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Newry

- 93,000 inhabitants
- 900 Sq Km
- 30, 500 Households
- 33.9% of the usually resident population live in urban areas, 45.5% lived in rural areas and 20.6% in mixed urban/rural areas.
- 6000 licensed dogs



Newry

- 40 Tonnes of litter per week
- Cost to the ratepayer of 1.4 million pounds per annum
- Does not include dog or litter wardens









Newry and Mourne

- Pedestrian Litter
- Vehicle Litter
- Smoking Litter
- Fly-Tipping
- Dog Fouling
- Abandoned Vehicles



Enforcement Officers

- Two Litter Wardens
 - Two Dog Wardens
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- On average dealing with 70 requests for service a week



Newry

- Have too is a good Master



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Newry and Mourne

- Council Senior Management Approval
- Staff Approval
- Party Leader Approval
- Committee Approval
- Council Approval
- Trade Union Approval



The Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994

- “Authorised Person”
- (a) an authorised officer of the district council within whose district the place is situated.
- (d) a constable



The Litter (Northern Ireland) Order 1994

- Not an offence, not to give details to an authorised officer
- Not an offence to give incorrect information to an authorised officer
- Staff are always informed never to place themselves or colleagues at risk



Meeting with PSNI

- Commitment from PSNI that Environmental Crime would be given increased priority.
- Partnership working with the Council on Environmental crime.
- Increased visibility and joint patrols



Newry and Mourne

- Zero tolerance on rubbish, litter and dog fouling along with and increased visible presence would have large effect on the quality of life of residents.
- Corresponding effect on anti-social behaviour



Meeting with PSNI

- Formed a joint working group
- Inspector Hutchinson/John Farrell
- Newry Neighbour Team- PSNI
- Enforcement officers of the Council
- Produced a strategy on litter



PSNI

- Litter left lying around is a key driver for people's perceptions of ASB.
- It affects the quality of our lives, how we feel about where we live, work and where our children play.
- It contributes to feelings of fear and insecurity.



PSNI

- Litter not dealt with – fosters a culture where other types of low level anti-social behaviour are seen to be acceptable



PSNI

- **BENEFITS OF PARTNERSHIP WORKING FOR POLICE SERVICE**
- Local Police and Council do work together at all levels but may not be all that evident to the general public.
- Joint patrols – increases partnership working at lower levels.



PSNI

- Increases visibility of Joint Working and increases the detection of offenders.
- People feel safe when their streets, parks, schools are clean and well maintained



- Although dealing with litter may not be at the core of policing delivery the partnership approach aids in the delivery of Policing with the Community strategy, in areas of :-
 - Service Delivery,
 - Partnership,
 - Vehicle Crime and
 - Anti-Social Behaviour.
- The strategy helps to make an area safe and ‘feel’ safe.



- **HOW DID WE GET THE MESSAGE OUT**
- Personal briefing to Neighbourhood Policing Team and other officers
- Highlighting the connection between littering and ASB (the most common form)
- Ability to deal with offenders when other remedies are ineffective.
- Minimal work for police – EHO do all the admin
- Promoting the effect a cleaner environment has on local communities



Action - Patrols

- Date & Time for first patrol set.
- Council get own house in order
 - Streets cleaned that morning
 - Bins emptied
 - Bins replaced
 - Bins provided

Thing about weather



Partols

- Pre meeting to set out clear guidelines and for Council staff to get to Know each other
- 8 PSNI officers
- 4 Enforcement officers
- 12 EHO,s
- 2 members of the local press and photographers



Patrols

- 26 persons
- Divided into six groups
- At least one PSNI officer per group
- Each group had a specified area or street
- Patrol lasted 2 hours – Stopped dog walkers
- On first patrol any caught littering received a verbal warning
- Issued a joint press release.



Patrols

- Patrols have been repeated without the press in Newry and other problem areas
- Joint patrols with PSNI officers- day/night
- Patrols with Enforcement Officers/EHOs
- Patrols with Enforcement officers
- Patrols in close proximity to PSNI
- Sharing of information and mobile numbers



Newry and Mourne

- Working group meets regularly
- Review
- Improve
- Inform
- Proposing to have joint educational visits to our Eco-Schools on Environmental Crime.



Fixed Penalty Notices

- 2007 (Jan-Dec) - **41**
- 2008(Jan-Dec) - **66**
- 2009(Jan –Aug) - **85**



New legislation

- Welcome Minister Poots recent statement that he intends to enact Clean Neighbour Legislation similar to UK local authorities
- Enforcement of Environmental crime should be the responsibility of joint Police/Council uniformed community warden service





Litter...



There's litter all around us.
There's litter on the street.
There's litter in the bushes.
There's litter at your feet.



Pick that litter up son.

Take it over there!

I know you didn't drop it

And I know that life's not fair!



It's always someone else's fault

It's never ever me

Here today, gone tomorrow

Moved elsewhere for free



But someone has to clear it
That someone must be paid
That someone must be paid by you
As they clear up with their spade.



When you dropped the packet
And thought, oh what the heck
You could be trapping something
By the feet or claws or neck.



And doesn't it look filthy
As it flutters in the wind?

The bag of chips and chocolate wrapper
You really should have binned



None of us like litter

Though we liked what came inside

Perhaps it's time we cleaned up our act,

Restored our sense of pride.



There's litter all around us

And it's a filthy sin

When at your feet, just yards away

There lies an empty bin.

