

**CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES**

<b>COMMITTEE:</b>	Environment Committee																																																																																																																												
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 7.00 pm	<b>LOCATION</b>	Town Hall																																																																																																																										
<b>REPORT FROM</b>	Streetscape Development Manager – Ruth Burgess																																																																																																																												
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<b>Update</b>	<p><b><u>Fly Tipping</u></b></p> <p>As well as noting the quantity of fly tips per month and annually we are now calculating the cost for each specific fly tip over the course of a year. Below you will note the number of fly tips we have dealt with over the last four months, in comparison to previous years :</p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th></th><th>2019</th><th>2020</th><th>2021</th><th>2022</th><th>2023</th><th>2024</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>January</td><td>4</td><td>4</td><td>4</td><td>16</td><td>30</td><td>20</td></tr><tr><td>February</td><td>10</td><td>2</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>25</td><td>7</td></tr><tr><td>March</td><td>4</td><td>0</td><td>32</td><td>24</td><td>14</td><td>27</td></tr><tr><td>April</td><td>10</td><td>12</td><td>19</td><td>10</td><td>19</td><td>24</td></tr><tr><td>May</td><td>5</td><td>40</td><td>22</td><td>11</td><td>11</td><td>24</td></tr><tr><td>June</td><td>4</td><td>22</td><td>2</td><td>8</td><td>26</td><td>20</td></tr><tr><td>July</td><td>8</td><td>21</td><td>0</td><td>13</td><td>9</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>August</td><td>5</td><td>18</td><td>10</td><td>26</td><td>19</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>September</td><td>6</td><td>6</td><td>14</td><td>23</td><td>13</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>October</td><td>5</td><td>3</td><td>10</td><td>8</td><td>21</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>November</td><td>4</td><td>4</td><td>17</td><td>25</td><td>4</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>December</td><td>5</td><td>4</td><td>10</td><td>30</td><td>15</td><td></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td><b>Total</b></td><td><b>70</b></td><td><b>136</b></td><td><b>150</b></td><td><b>205</b></td><td><b>206</b></td><td><b>122</b></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td><b>Total Cost</b></td><td><b>2324.16</b></td><td><b>5380.52</b></td><td><b>2481.45</b></td><td><b>£12,300.87</b></td><td><b>£ 15,360.76</b></td><td><b>£7432.38</b></td></tr></tbody></table> <p><b><u>Budgets</u></b> Our annual budget for street cleansing is £5,000 which covers the following activity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fly tips where external contractors are required ie asbestos, builders waste</li><li>• Bin bags for day-to-day waste collection</li></ul> <p><b><u>Public Realm Street Furniture</u></b></p> <p>As you are all aware throughout the winter period Streetscape have carried out many bench repairs within the public realm and local parks. These repairs have involved some benches having full new wooden slat replacements whilst some have only needed sand down and re-varnish. Carry on from this we are now looking at the rest of the street furniture, which includes, electric boxes, lamp</p>							2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	January	4	4	4	16	30	20	February	10	2	10	11	25	7	March	4	0	32	24	14	27	April	10	12	19	10	19	24	May	5	40	22	11	11	24	June	4	22	2	8	26	20	July	8	21	0	13	9		August	5	18	10	26	19		September	6	6	14	23	13		October	5	3	10	8	21		November	4	4	17	25	4		December	5	4	10	30	15									<b>Total</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>122</b>								<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>2324.16</b>	<b>5380.52</b>	<b>2481.45</b>	<b>£12,300.87</b>	<b>£ 15,360.76</b>	<b>£7432.38</b>
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<b>Decision Requested</b>	To receive the report.																														