

Dear Member

**COMMUNITY, PARTNERSHIPS AND WELLBEING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL -  
TUESDAY, 14TH MARCH, 2023**

Please find attached, for consideration at the next meeting of the Community, Partnerships and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Panel, taking place on Tuesday, 14th March, 2023, the following presentation that was unavailable when the agenda was published.

**Agenda No    Item**

6.    **Flytipping - Update (Presentation) (Pages 3 - 14)**

To receive a presentation on how the Council deals with Flytipping in the District.

Yours sincerely

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# Flytipping Update

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## Community, Partnerships and Wellbeing O&S Panel

14 March 2023

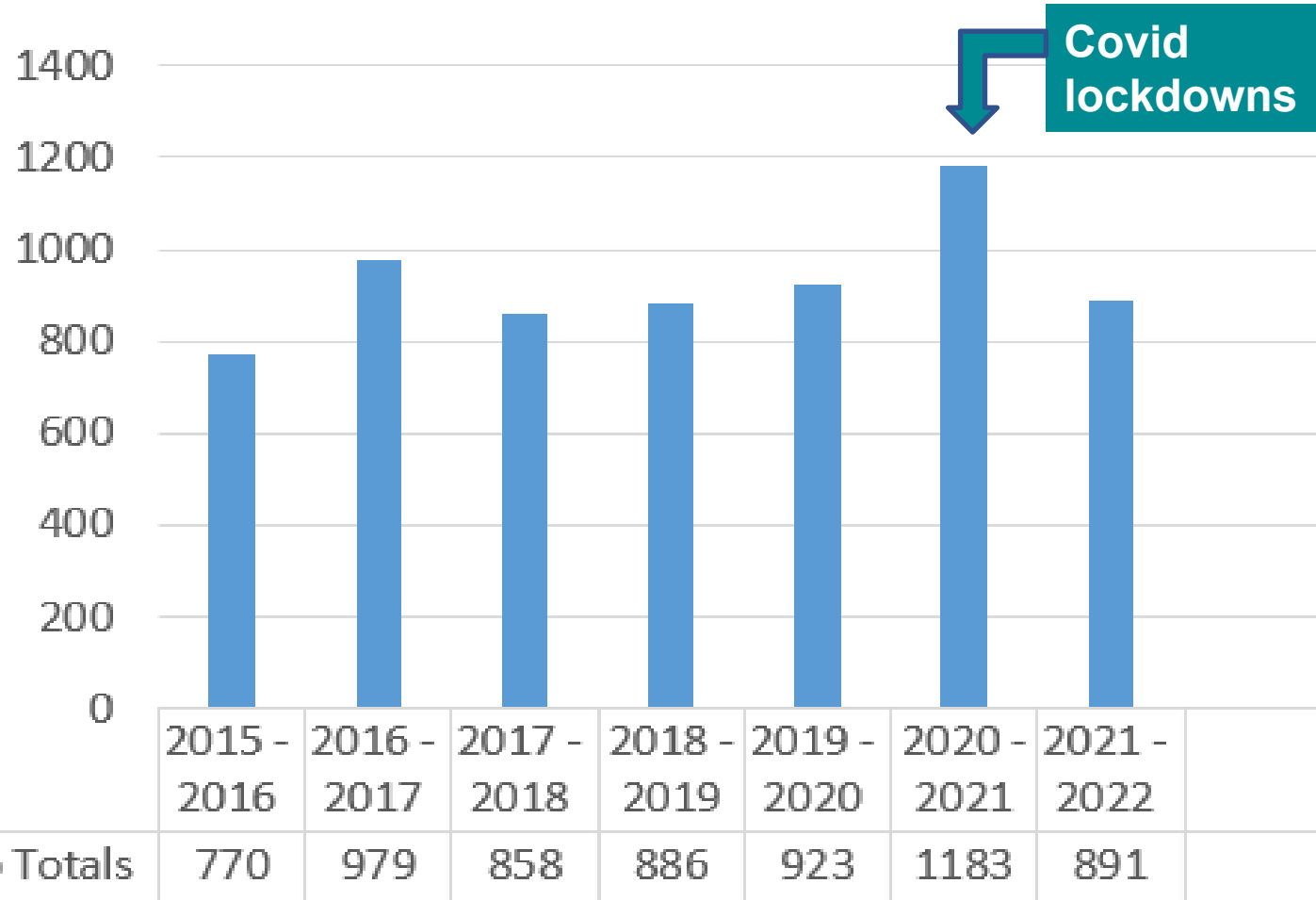
# Introduction

- November's Corporate Affairs and Local Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel received a report from the Financial Strategy Task and Finish Group.
- It was requested that officers give periodic updates on combating fly tipping, including budget implications.
- 4 • This presentation identifies recent flytipping trends, and some of the actions being taken to combat this activity.
- NFDC will clear flytips from land which is our responsibility.
- Therefore, the data on the following slides does not include flytips on land that is the responsibility of Forestry England or Parish/Town Councils, or which is privately owned.
- Flytips are cleared by our Streetscene, mainly using caged vehicles of differing sizes.



# Flytipping - Customer Service Reports

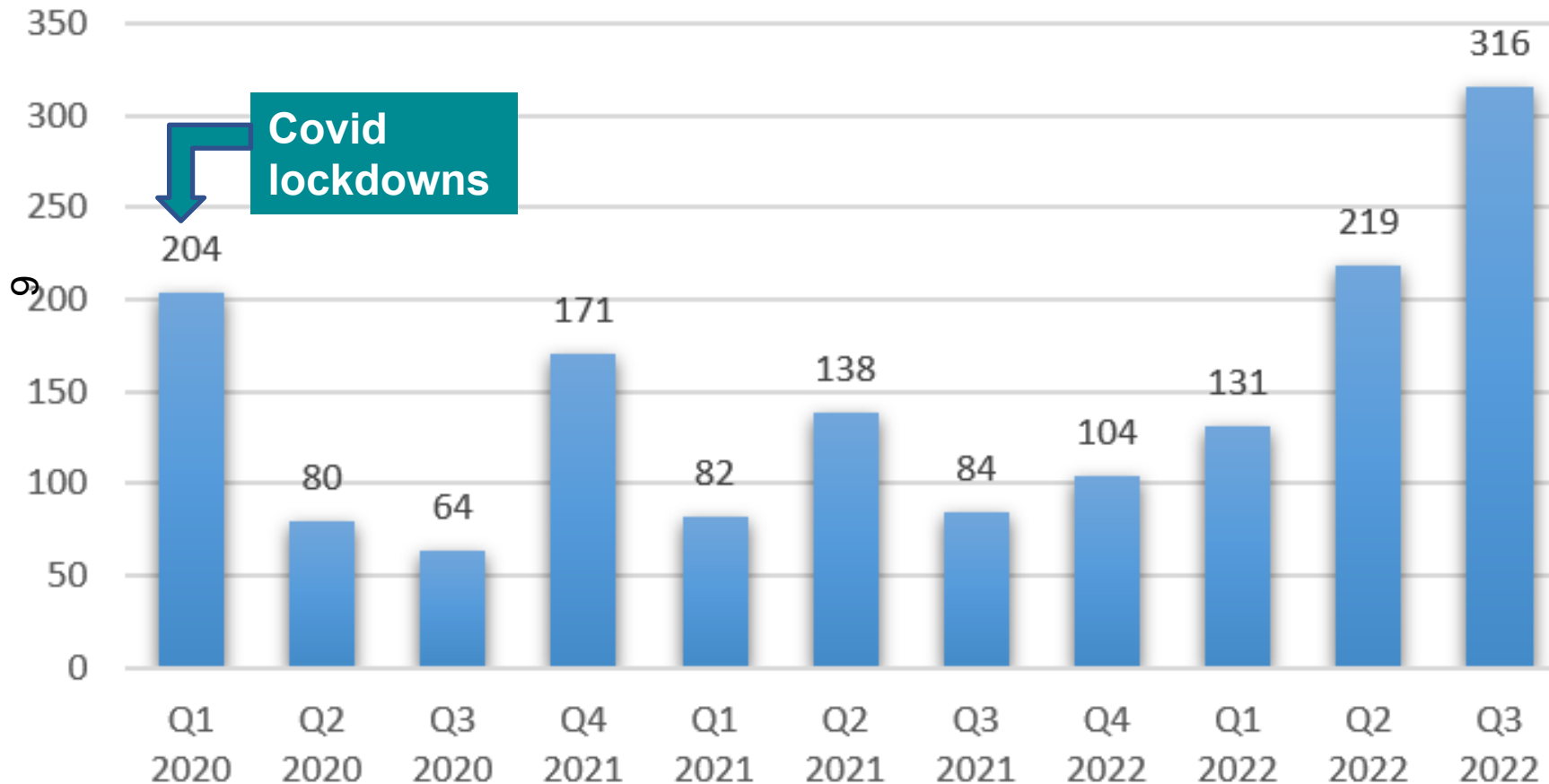
## CRM Flytip Totals



We can see no significant changes in CRM reporting, despite it now being easier to report issues via apps, emails etc.

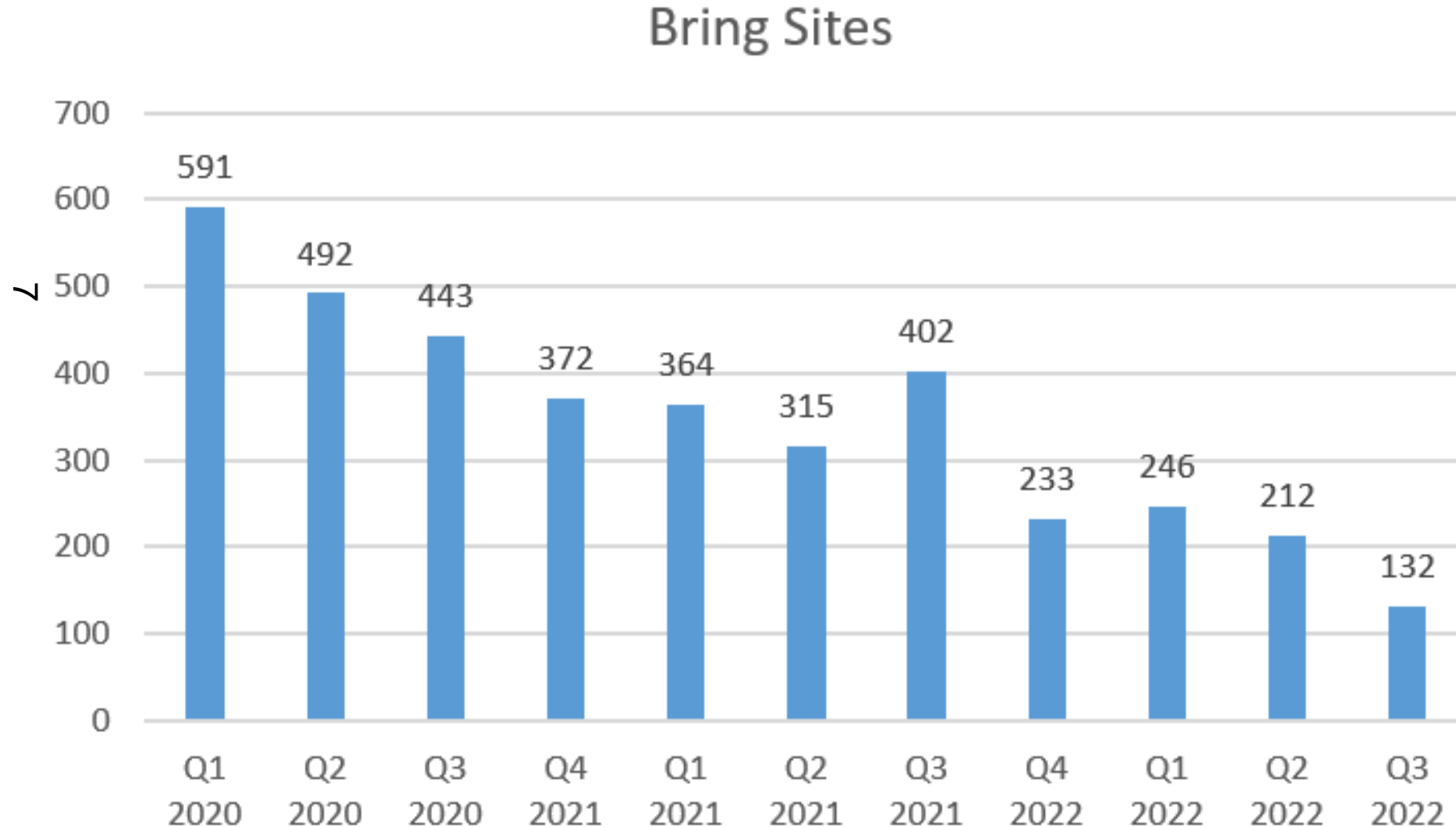
# Flytipping – reported by operatives

## Additional Fly Tip Collections



- During covid we saw a spike during the lock downs
- Streetscene teams are more proactive and improvements in developing the seven-day service.
- Increasing use of technology including smart phones, tablets etc.

# Flytipping – recorded at bring sites



- Peak during covid lockdowns, when HCC's Household Waste Recycling Centres were closed or with reduced service
- Bring sites have seen a reduction in fly tipping since concentrated monitoring and enforcement on sites

# Flytipping All Types

All Flytipping April 2020 - December 2022



Apparent correlation between reduction in bring site flytips and those reported by operatives on other land (Additional Works Orders).

# Cost of collecting flytips

- Difficult to ascertain because of mixed duties of operatives – i.e. flytipping, litterpicking, emptying litter bins etc.
- Cost to clear each flytip will vary depending on quantity, location and waste type.
- Defra produce some annual average costs for collecting flytips based on their size. Using these average costs, the cost of collection of flytips likely to be in the region of **£100,000 to £150,000.**
- Disposal costs are not included here – they are the responsibility of HCC.
- Total budget for dealing with litter and flytipping (22-23) – £1.7m.

# Flytipping – Ongoing and Future Challenges

- As of January 2023, all types of fabric seating now require a different collection method adding additional time to removal of flytipping
- We should expect future changes in legislation that will increase the challenges of fly tip collection due to waste classification change
- Increasing public interest in fly tipping and environmental impact
- Maintaining the balance between education and enforcement. Through the Govt's UK Prosperity Fund we are appointing a new Behavioral Insights post to drive behavioral change around litter and flytipping.

# Flytipping – Enforcement Actions

## Operation Wolf

- We work closely with the police and Forestry England to do regular ‘Operation Wolf’ commercial vehicle stop checks in specific places.
- The police have the power to stop vehicles .
- We are now seizing vehicles, suspected of illegally carrying waste, to disrupt criminals under “the Control of Pollution (Amendment) Act 1989.”
- NFDC have now seized two vehicles and the one pictured was scrapped.



# Flytipping – Enforcement actions

## Other enforcement:

- An Environmental Enforcement Officer attends all reports of fly-tipping in the NFDC area. When evidence of an offence is found perpetrators are contacted and fined or prosecuted.
- 234 FPN'S issued for waste offences in so far in 2022/23. These FPNs have a combined value of £36,000.
- Significant improvements in collecting evidence from fly tips from both street scene and enforcement and joint working. Improved enforcement training and proactive investigation.
- We are identifying suitable bring sites for CCTV deployment to continue to reduce the problem of bring site flytipping.



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