

# **Request for installation and emptying of litter and dog waste bins**

## **LITTER AND DOG WASTE BIN PROVISION IN SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE AND VALE OF WHITE HORSE DISTRICTS**

Under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 local authorities have the primary responsibility for the control of litter and refuse on relevant land such as highways and council owned land. In addition, dog faeces are to be treated as if they were refuse when on relevant land.

Owners of land such as parish and town councils are required to keep their land free from litter, this does not fall under the district councils' remit.

To assist with controlling litter and dog faeces on relevant land the district councils have bins in which both litter and dog waste can be placed together across the two districts. The district council also currently undertake some emptying of litter and dog waste bins on behalf of town and parish councils.

## **TYPES OF BINS THAT THE COUNCIL INSTALL**

The standard bin the council installs is a floor mounted 90 litre Maelor Trafflex round security litter bin that has a reinforced frame designed to prevent removal or overturning.



On street recycling bins will be considered in areas of high footfall near shops and business or near schools and colleges. Alternative size and types of bins will also be taken into consideration when completing the assessment, for example floor mounted or post mounted bins.

## **NEW BIN INSTALLATIONS FOR LITTER AND DOG REFUSE BINS**

Requests can be made to the district councils for installation of a bin in which both litter and dog waste can be placed, this can be done by downloading and completing our 'Street Bin Request' form.

All requests should be received in writing either by email to [waste.team@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:waste.team@southandvale.gov.uk) or by post to:

Waste Team  
(Relevant council - South Oxfordshire or Vale of White Horse)  
Abbey House  
Abbey Close  
Abingdon  
OX14 3JE

Requests should be accompanied with a map marked with the location of the requested new bin. Any request without a map or incomplete information will be returned asking for the information to be provided.

Each request will be reviewed by a Waste Technical Officer and a confirmation of approval or refusal provided to the person making the request.

When reviewing, Technical Officers will check each request against set criteria.

## **CRITERIA FOR INSTALLATION OF A BIN**

Requests for street bin installation are reviewed against set criteria. When sending in a request please first check to see if it meets the criteria.

Please note that we no longer install dog waste bins unless we feel that a litter bin, that takes both litter and dog waste, is not suitable for the location.

### **CRITERIA FOR INSTALLATION**

- There is evidence of litter or dog fouling, this will be assessed by monitoring of the location. The fouling and or littering issue must be on relevant land and not private land – for example we would not install a bin outside a recreation ground on the highway to solve a dog fouling issue on the recreation ground.
- The siting of a litter bin will be determined by the Waste Team in line with the Right Bin Right Place guidance produced by Wrap.

- The land that the bin is on is adopted highway or council owned land and it is not a risk to users or residents living nearby.
- The bin must be within 25 meters of a highway, to allow the safe emptying and carrying distance for crews making the collection.

A land developer, parish or town council can install a litter bin on land relevant to them. However, it will be their responsibility for the collection and disposal of the waste. The district councils are happy to advise on siting of bins and the type of bins to use.