



# Economy & Infrastructure Environment Services

September 2019



# Agenda

1. Ward Squads
2. Fly Tipping
3. Household Waste Recycling Centres
4. Bulky Waste Collection

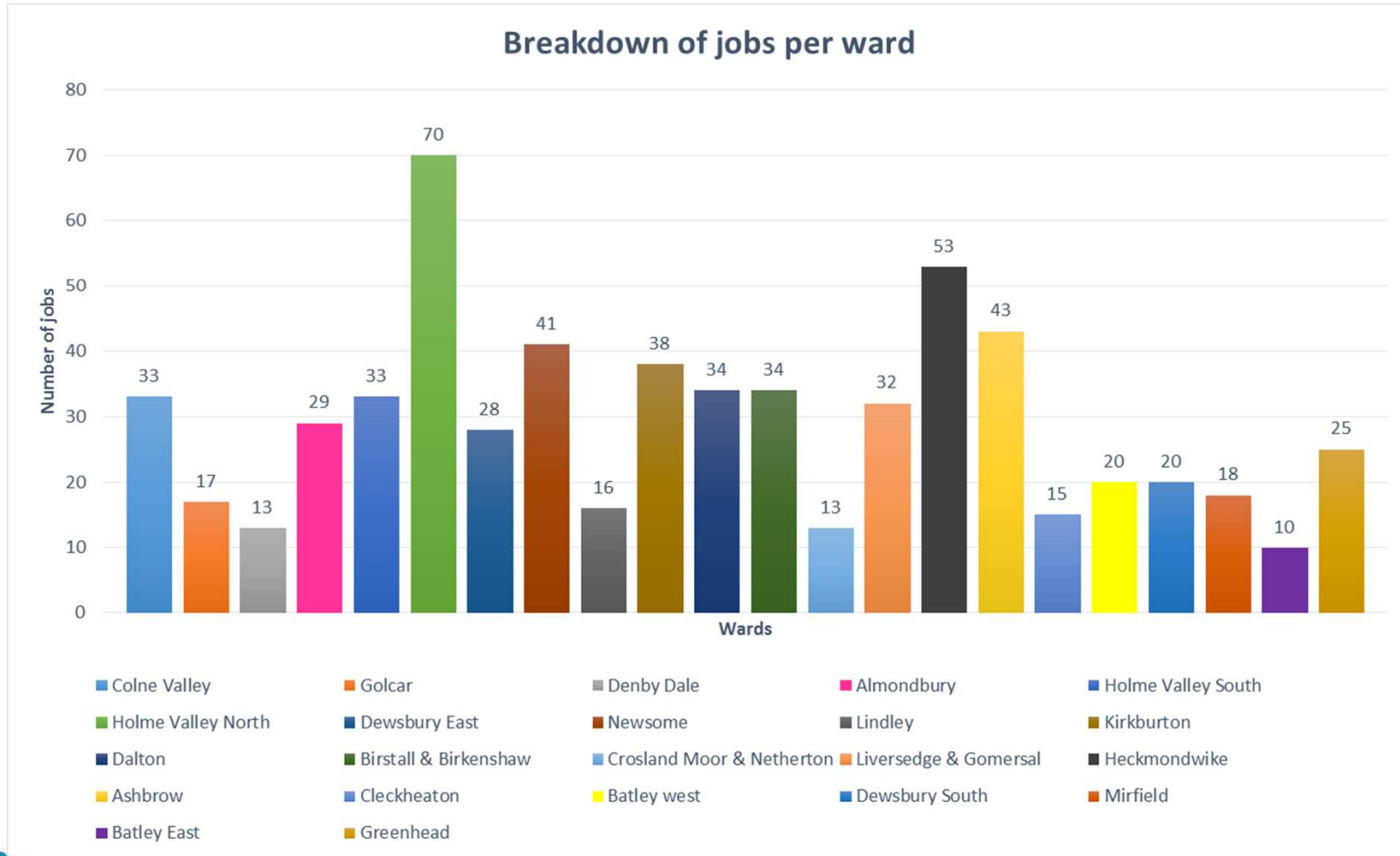


# 1. Ward Squads

Working positively with ward  
councillors



# Winter



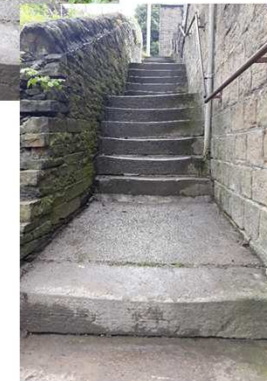
# Winter - Requests per Ward

Colne Valley	33
Golcar	17
Denby Dale	13
Almondbury	29
Holme Valley South	33
Holme Valley North	70
Dewsbury East	28
Newsome	41
Lindley	16
Kirkburton	38
Dalton	34
Birstall & Birkenshaw	34
Crosland Moor & Netherton	13
Liversedge & Gomersal	32
Heckmondwike	53
Ashbrow	43
Cleckheaton	15
Batley west	20
Dewsbury South	20
Mirfield	18
Batley East	10
Greenhead	25
	635

Total Requests 635

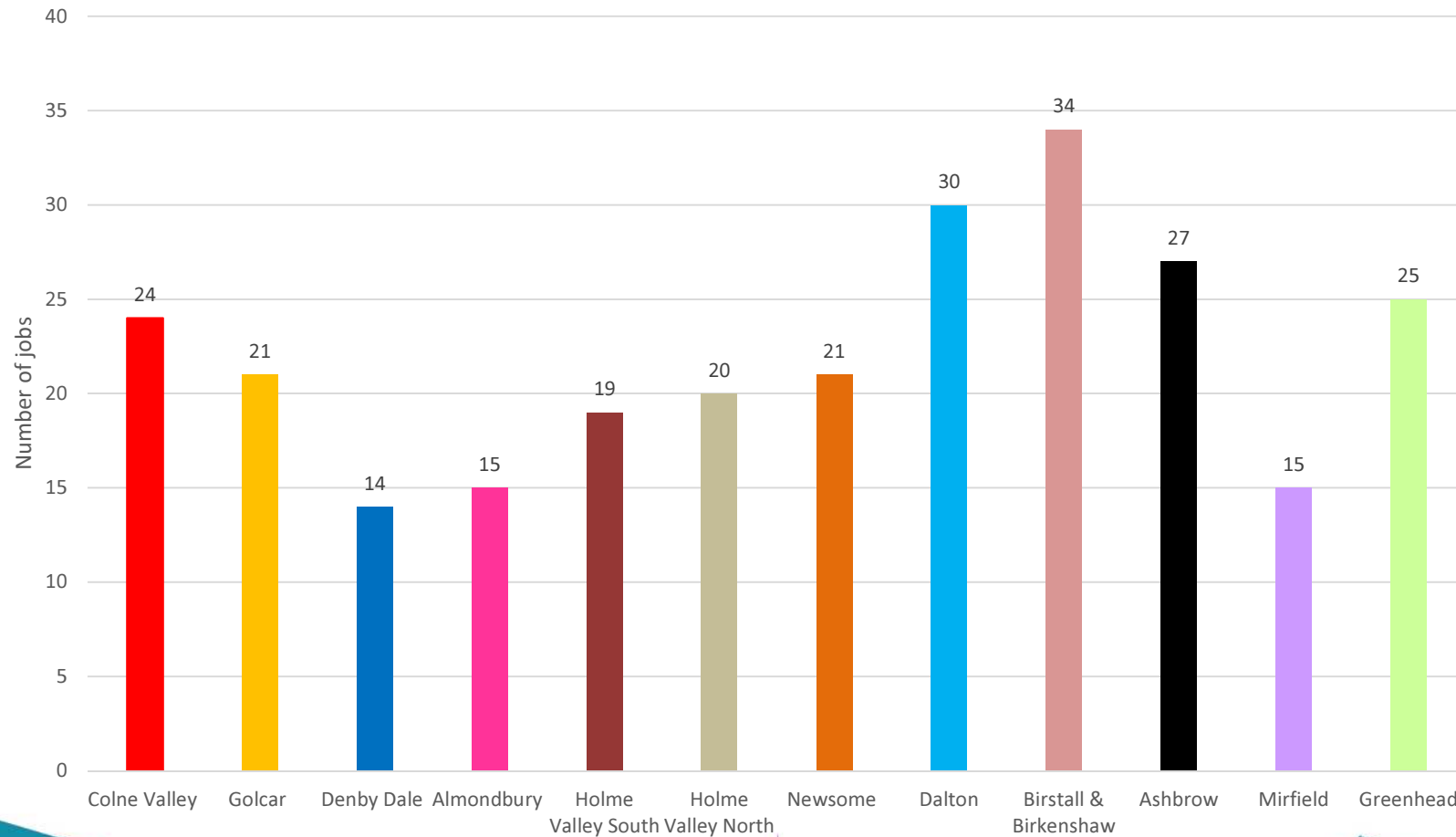


# Before and after photographs



# Progress to date (Summer)

Breakdown of jobs per ward



# Requests per Ward

Colne Valley	24
Golcar	21
Denby Dale	14
Almondbury	15
Holme Valley South	19
Holme Valley North	20
Newsome	21
Dalton	30
Birstall & Birkenshaw	34
Ashbrow	27
Mirfield	15
Greenhead	25
	265

Total Requests 265



Less Jobs more Project based work, Taking longer to complete





# Difference between winter and summer ward work

- More project based work
- Working with volunteer groups
- More satiable works than quick fixes
- Bigger projects Longwood Sing, Spa woods Beacon street



# Successes

- Delivery of team
- Improved skills of team
  - Ability to clear waste from steep slopes
  - Ability to clear waste from water
  - Highways working – Red Book
  - Range of power tool skills
- Joined up working with other services
- Delivery of third party involvement
- Improving the Kirklees environment
  - Reopened long term problematic PROWS
  - Clearance of waste
  - Range of environmental improvements
- Closer working relationships with Councillors.



# Concerns

- **Capacity**
  - Originally 2 +1 per ward
  - Now 4 per ward which is not sustainable
  - Impact of pre election period and holidays
- **Member expectation**
  - Member concerns re delivery
  - Member concerns about communication
    - Addressed by centralising communication channels
    - Other departmental confusion re “walkabouts”
- **Schedule planning**



## 2. Fly Tipping



# What is Fly Tipping?

- Dumping unwanted things on land that isn't yours, or out on the street is classed as fly tipping (incl. grass cuttings and other garden waste).
- Anything less than a bag full we would usually treat as littering.



2016/17  
**FLYTIPPING  
SUMMARY STATISTICS**  
ENGLAND

**1 MILLION TOTAL INCIDENTS**  
**£58 MILLION**  
**TOTAL CLEARANCE COSTS**  
Up from 936,000 incidents  
and clearance costs of  
£50 million in 2015/16.



**490,000 HIGHWAY INCIDENTS**  
Half (49%) of total  
incidents and rose from  
470,000 in 2015/16.



**67% FROM HOUSEHOLDS**  
Household waste accounted for  
two thirds of total incidents and  
rose from 628,000 incidents in  
2015/16 to 676,000 in 2016/17.



**33% SMALL VAN LOAD SIZE**  
As in 2015/16, the most common  
size category was 'small van  
load', accounting for a third of  
total incidents in 2016/17.



**474,000 ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS**  
**AT A COST OF £16 MILLION**  
Down from 494,000  
enforcement actions carried out  
by local authorities at a cost of  
£16.9 million in 2015/16.



**56,000 FIXED PENALTY NOTICES**  
Up from 36,000 in 2015/16 and now  
the 2nd most common enforcement  
action (after investigations),  
accounting for 12% of total actions.



# Top 4 Fly Tipped Items

1. Household waste - 47%
2. Black Bags - 13%
3. White Goods - 14%
4. Construction waste - 14%
5. Other - 11%

Source - Waste Data Flow 2017/18



# Greenspace Action Team (GAT)

- Investigate waste complaints on all land within Kirklees
- Will serve notice forcing landowner to clear
- Will take statements to prosecute anyone that has been seen dumping waste



# Responsibly for Clearing

- Land within Kirklees can be vested with:
  - Private ownership
  - Kirklees
  - Corporate landlord
  - KNH
  - Parks
  - Highways
- GAT Enforce against all landowners to remove waste





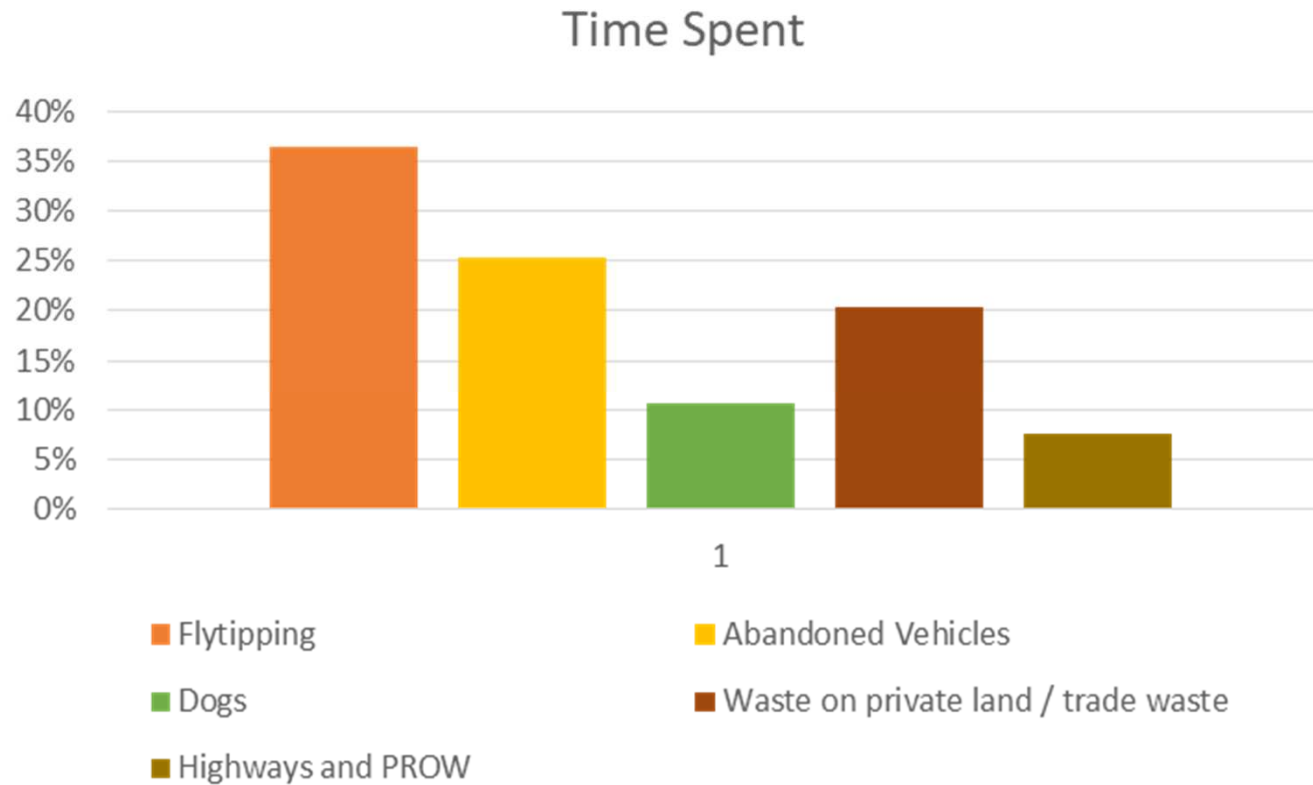
# Enforcement Team (GAT)

Issues reported to the team:

- Flytipping with evidence - 23%
- Abandoned vehicles - 41%
- Dangerous dogs and dog offences - 11%
- Waste on private land/trade waste - 20%
- Highways and Public Rights of Way - 5%



# How GAT spend their time



# Example case - fly tipping

- 3 separate reports to KD about Fly tipping all linked to one business
- We have seized the van that the waste was tipped from.
- Officer spent over 60 hours investigating this case
- 12 witness statements taken
- This led to 8 hours interviewing
- 7 hours putting a legal file together
- 2 Officers involved most of the time



# Successful Prosecution

Timely report to KD

Good evidence that can lead us to the offender	Witness, letter's, vehicle details, dates, times, location description of people
Willingness to make a statement	Understanding what they are doing and may have to go to court
Officers following every lead	Recording & investigating everything
Formal interview offenders under caution	Opportunity for the accused to give their side of events.
Deciding appropriate action case by case after review the full file	Nothing, formal caution, FPN or prosecution
File to Legal	Day in court - Outcome



# Fixed Penalty Tickets

Figures from August 2018 to 2019

- FPN's for littering – 105
- FPN's for Fly tipping – 14



# Prosecutions: 14 over the last 12 months

Results of the latest 3 prosecutions are as follows:

**Prosecution 1:** For the 2 counts of sec 33 he received a community order for 12 months with conditions to carry out 270 hours unpaid work with a Curfew Order between 7pm and 7am with electronic tagging for 10 months and was disqualified from driving for 15 months.

Fine none

Costs £300

Victim surcharge £85

Total £385

**Prosecution 2:** For 5 counts of sec 34

Fine £450 consecutive for each offence, making a total fine of £2,250

Costs £1,000

Compensation £755

Victim surcharge £45

Total £4050

**Prosecution 3:** For 5 counts of sec 34

Fine £481 consecutive for each offence, making total fine £2,405

Costs £1,000

Compensation £755

Victim surcharge £48

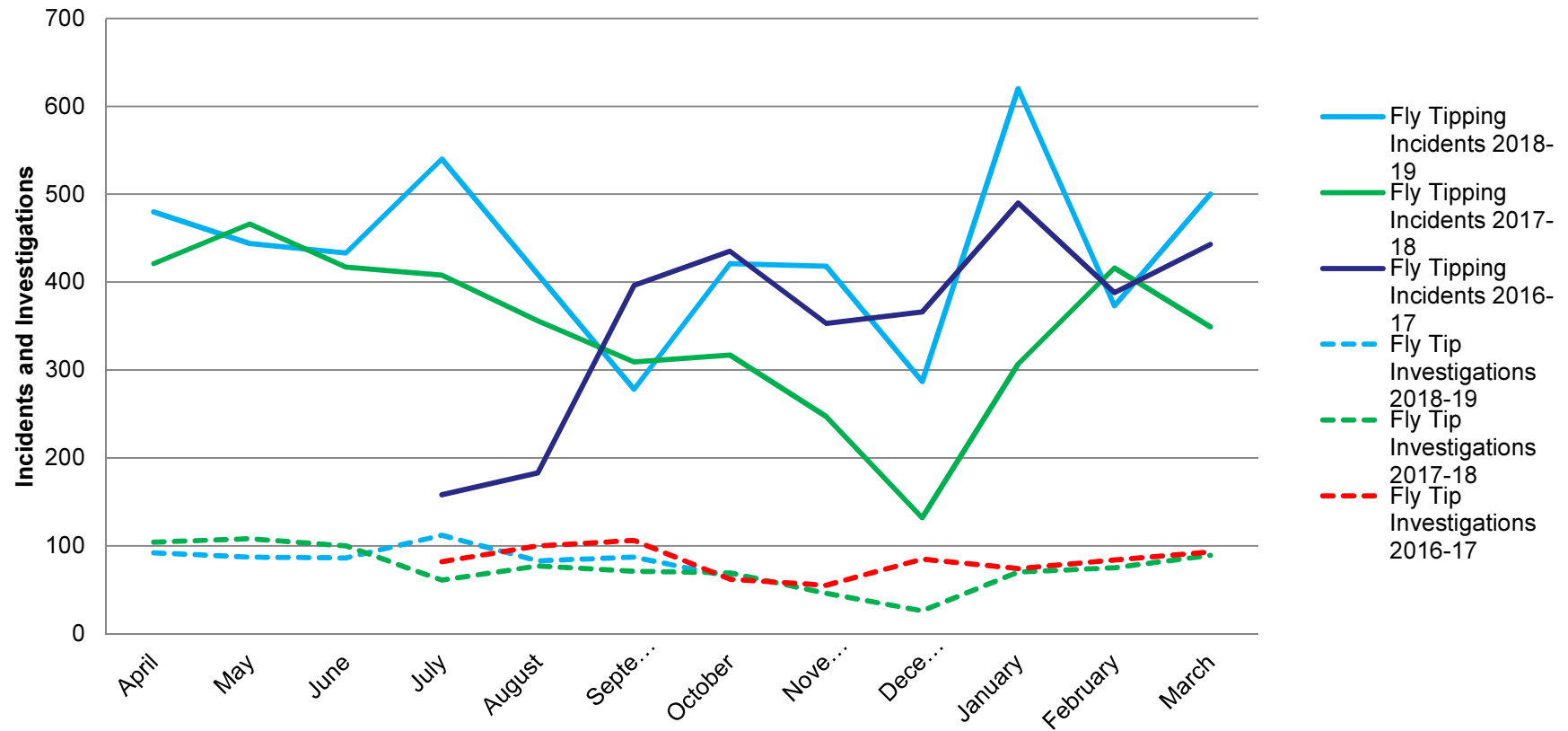
Total £4,208

Prosecutions 2 & 3: Money is payable at £175 per month each, the first payment within 28 days.

The compensation is made up as £350 for DCP Solutions and the balance of £1,160 to Kirklees Council.

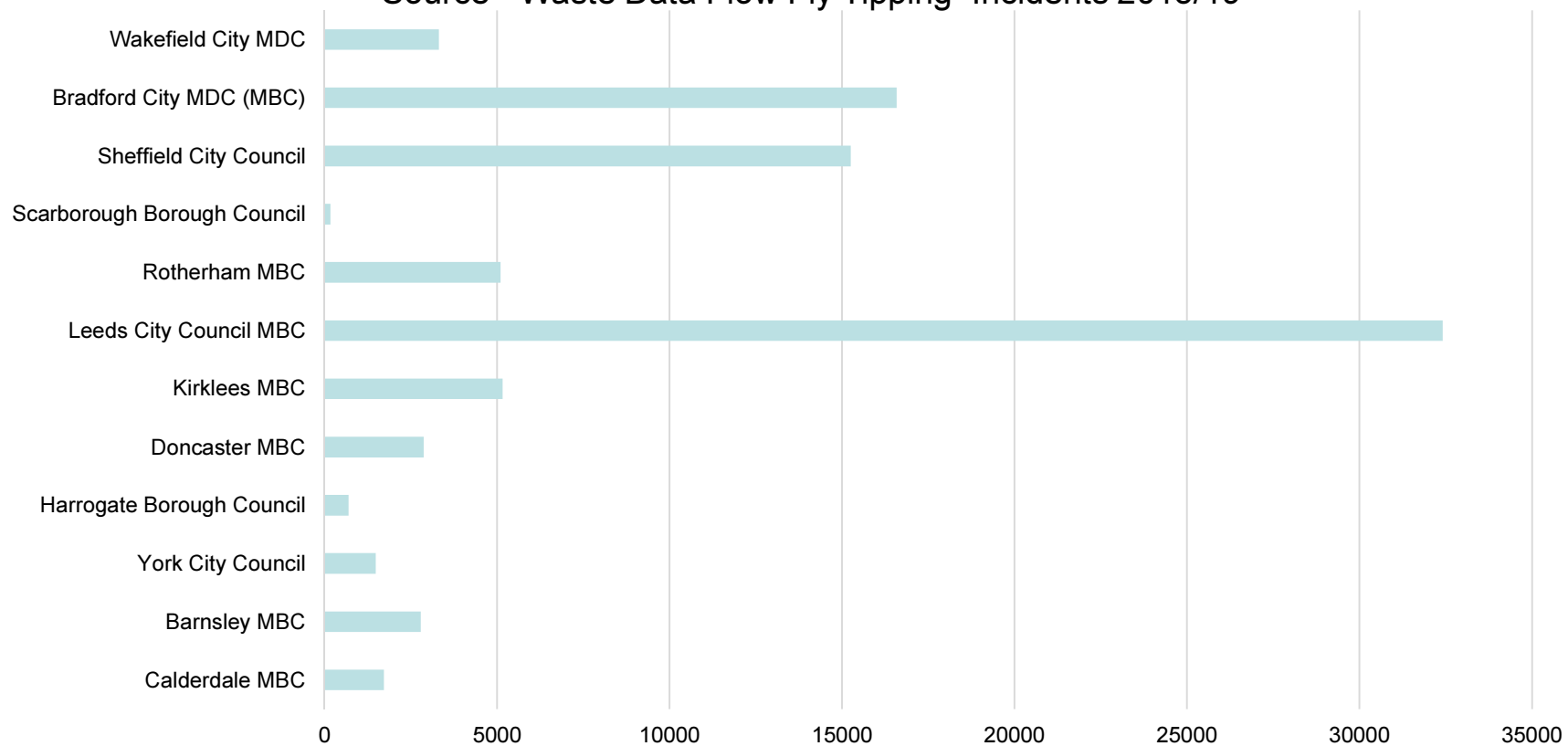


# Fly Tipping Incidents and Investigations



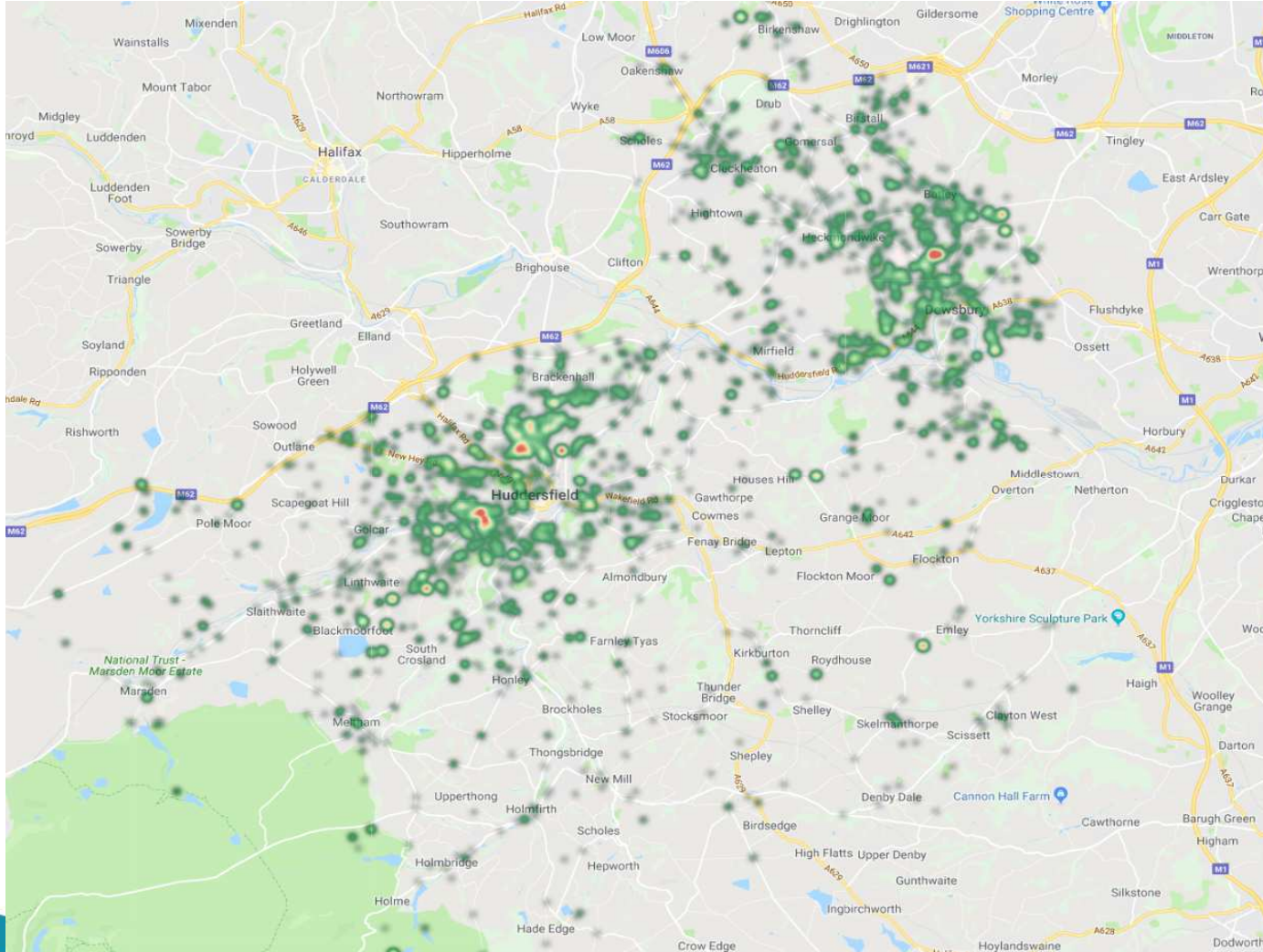
# Yorkshire Fly Tipping Totals

Source - Waste Data Flow Fly Tipping Incidents 2018/19

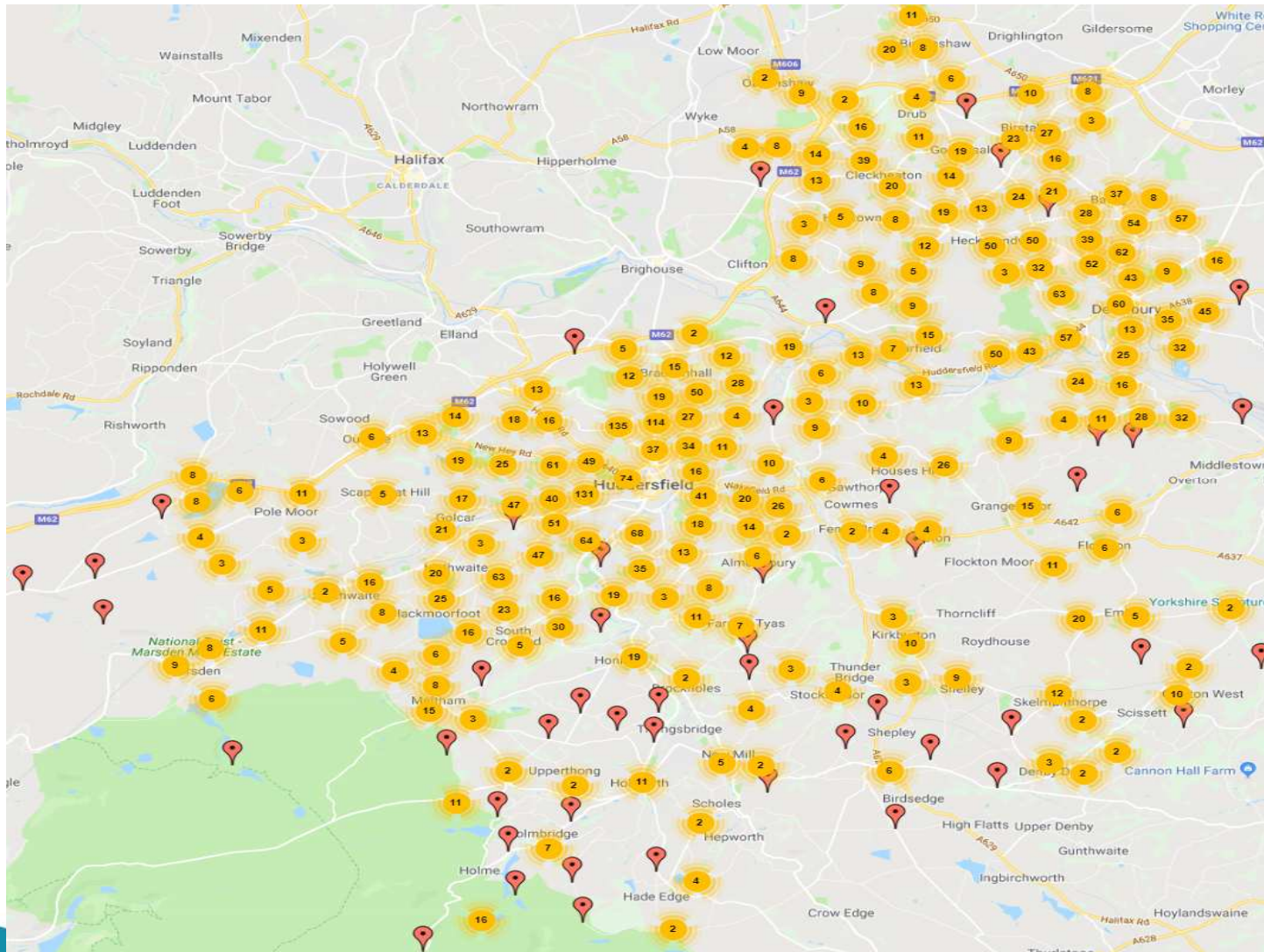




# Fly tipping Clearance Heat Map 2018/19



# Fly tipping Clearance Cluster Map 2018/19



# 3. Household Waste Recycling Centres



# Household Waste Recycling Centres

## Why do we need permits?

<https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/your-property-bins-recycling/household-waste-recycling-centres.aspx>

- For use by Kirklees householders
  - Trade businesses can request trade waste collection, use the waste transfer station or use private waste management companies.
- Manage use of sites
  - Sites are small and can easily become congested with vehicles, particularly on weekends.
  - Very large commercial-type vehicles (over 3.5 tonnes) are not allowed on site.



# HWRC Permits in Kirklees

- Permits in place across West Yorkshire and most of England
- In Kirklees from Summer 2016, with a soft launch from Spring 2016.
- My Kirklees Account required from 2018.
- Quick and easy application process.
- Support available to residents through Kirklees Direct, Customer Service Centres and local libraries.
- Flexibility available for families of residents living outside Kirklees.

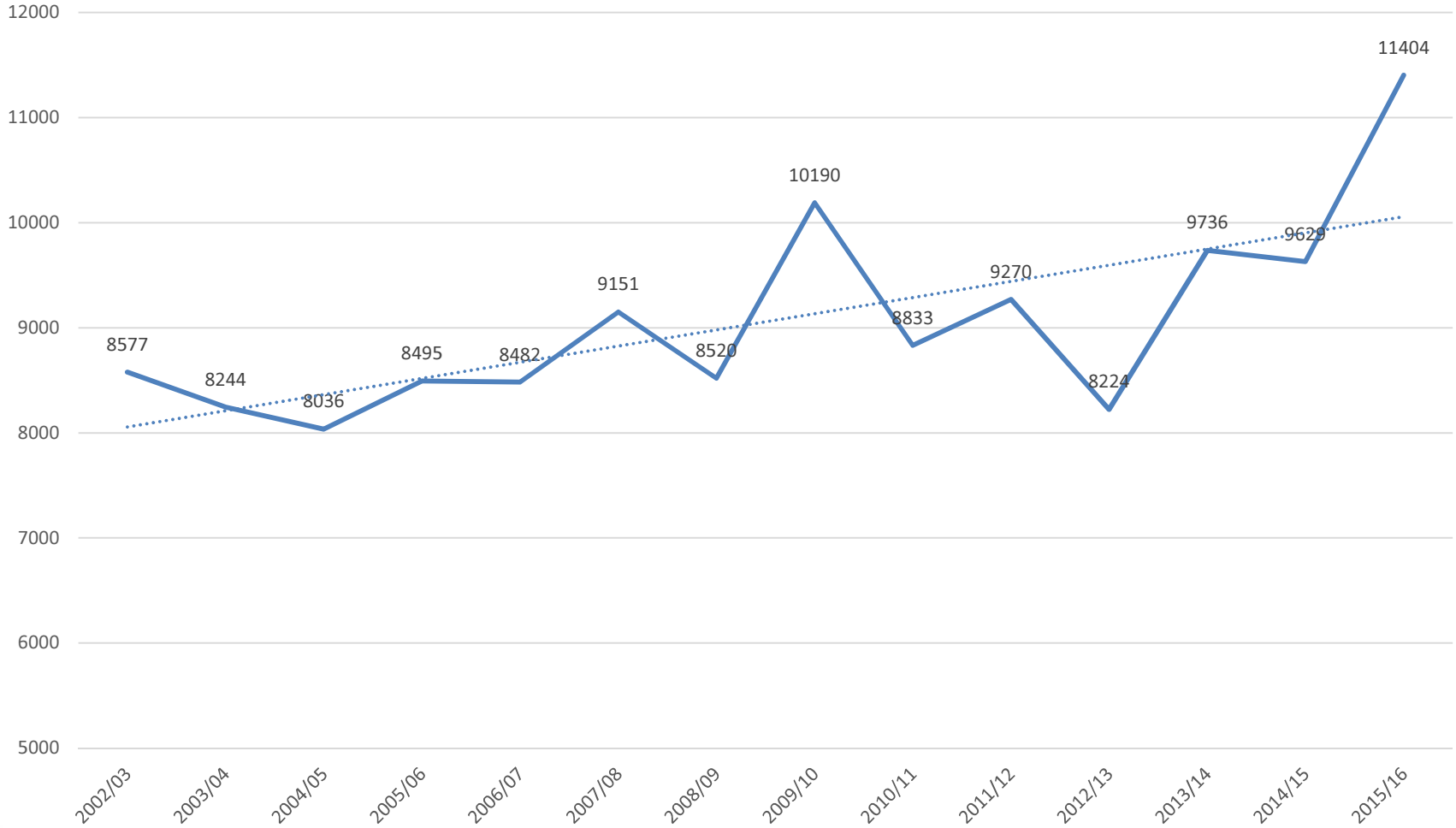


# HWRCs – Soil & Rubble

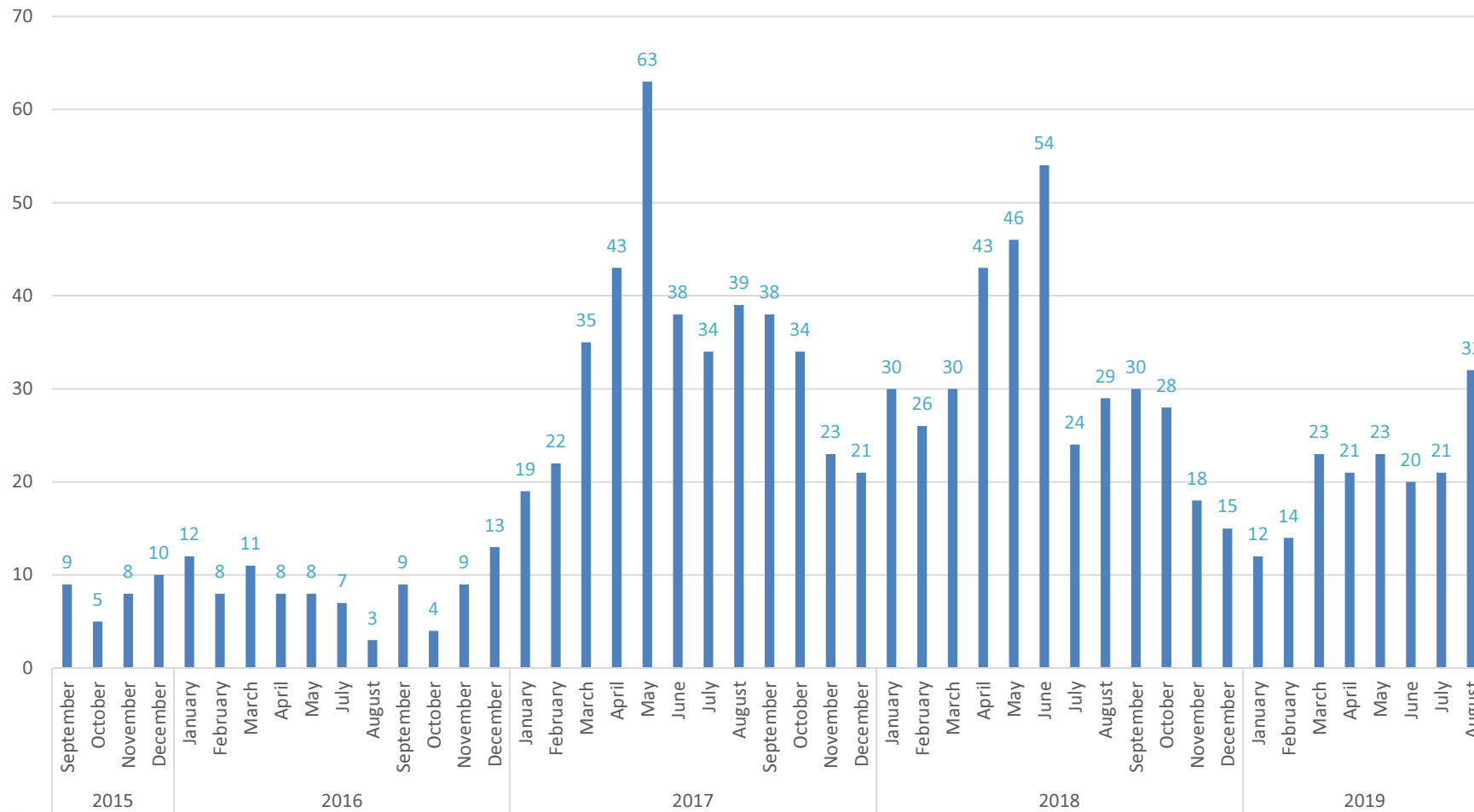
- Inert materials are categorised as commercial/ industrial waste by DEFRA.
  - When collected and recycled, it does not count toward the Council's recycling rate
- Tonnages at HWRCs were growing, indicating that trade businesses were using the sites
- A more convenient service was offered through the bulky waste collection service for Kirklees residents.
  - [www.kirklees.gov.uk/bulkywaste](http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/bulkywaste)



HWRC Soil & Rubble Tonnage by Year



## Number of Soil & Rubble Bulky Waste Collections





# HWRC Performance

- Reduction in tonnages at HWRCs:
  - 2015/16 – 54,445
  - 2018/19 – 35,447
  - 18,998 tonne reduction in 2 years
  - Landfill tax cost in 2019/20: £91.35 per tonne
- Complaints
  - Increase since changes implemented in 2016
  - Primarily focussed on removal of soil & rubble container at HWRCs
  - Provision of disposal for soil & rubble to be proposed for reconsideration as part of the upcoming Kirklees Recycling & Waste Strategy



# 4. Bulky Waste Collection Service



# Bulky Waste Collection

- Convenient online bookable service allowing collection of larger household materials from the kerbside.
- Website encourages charity donations or selling online for suitable items.
- Support available through Kirklees Direct.
- 2 free collections per year for residents receiving an assisted bin collection service.
- 50% discount for Kirklees Passport holders.

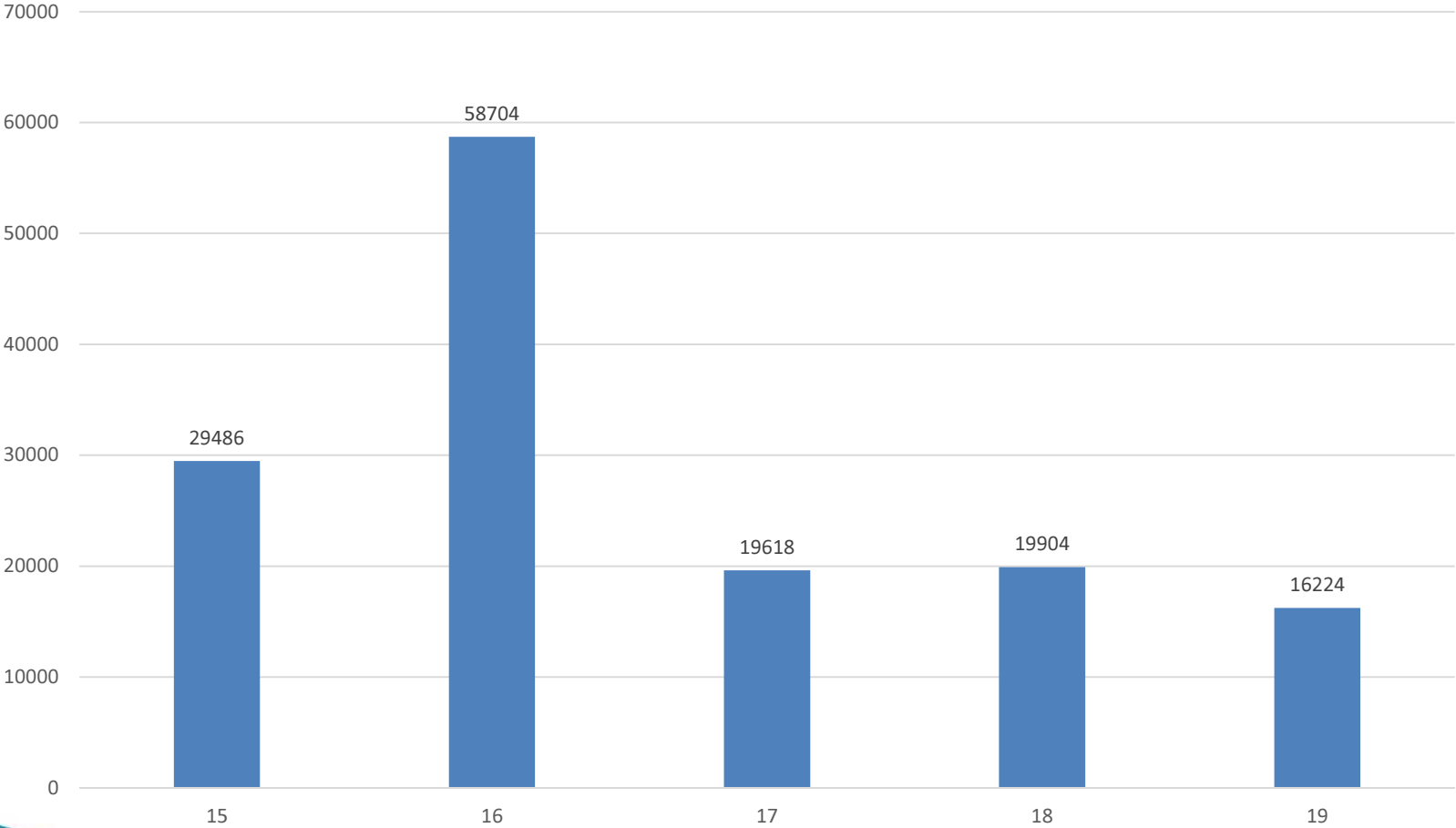


# Bulky Waste Collection - Kirklees

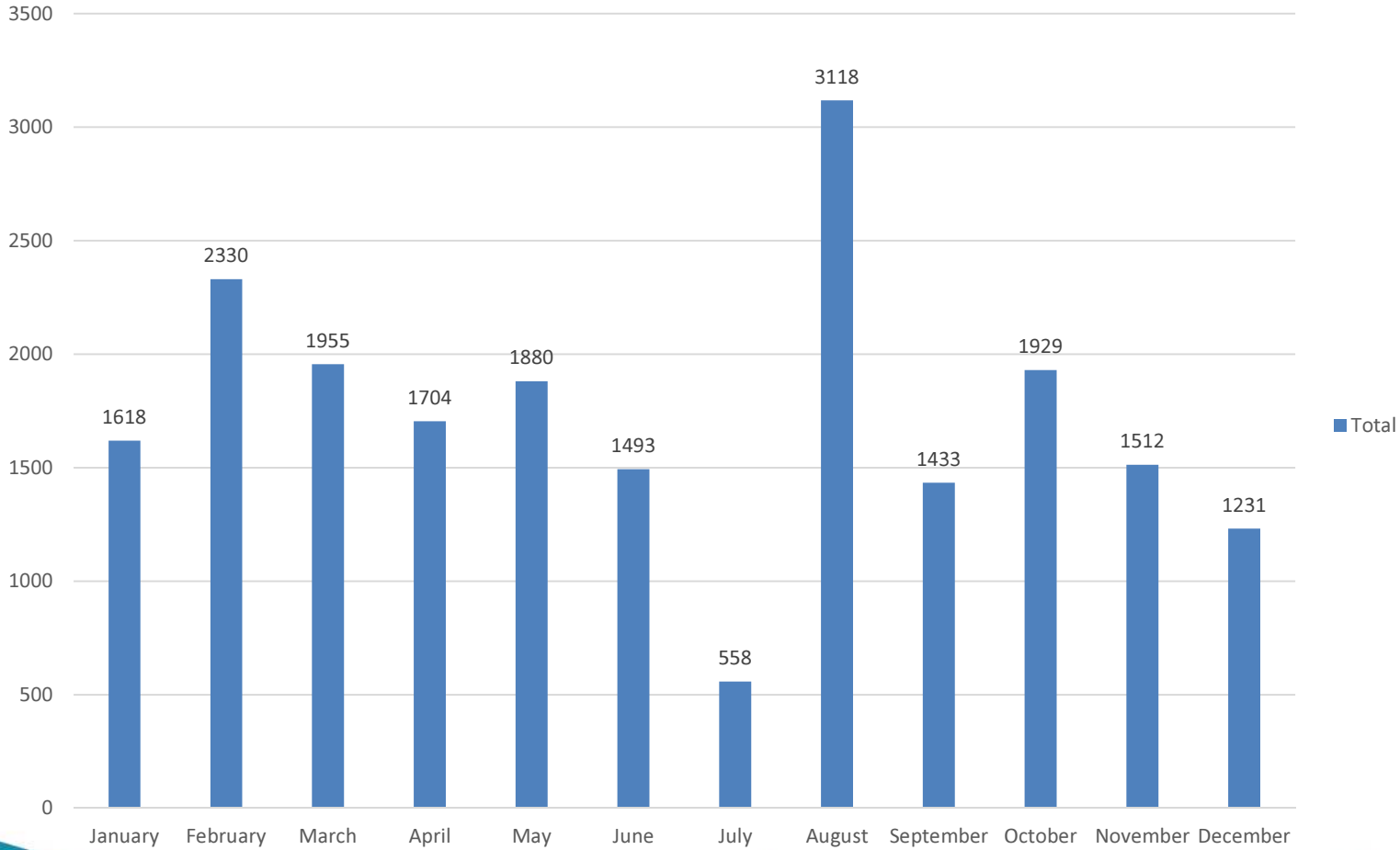
- Cost:
  - £5.20 per item / bag
  - £20.80 for white goods
  - £1 per bag for garden waste (ad hoc)
- Usually collected between 2-4 weeks, which will increase during summer and winter holiday periods.
- Proposed for review as part of the upcoming Kirklees Recycling & Waste Strategy.



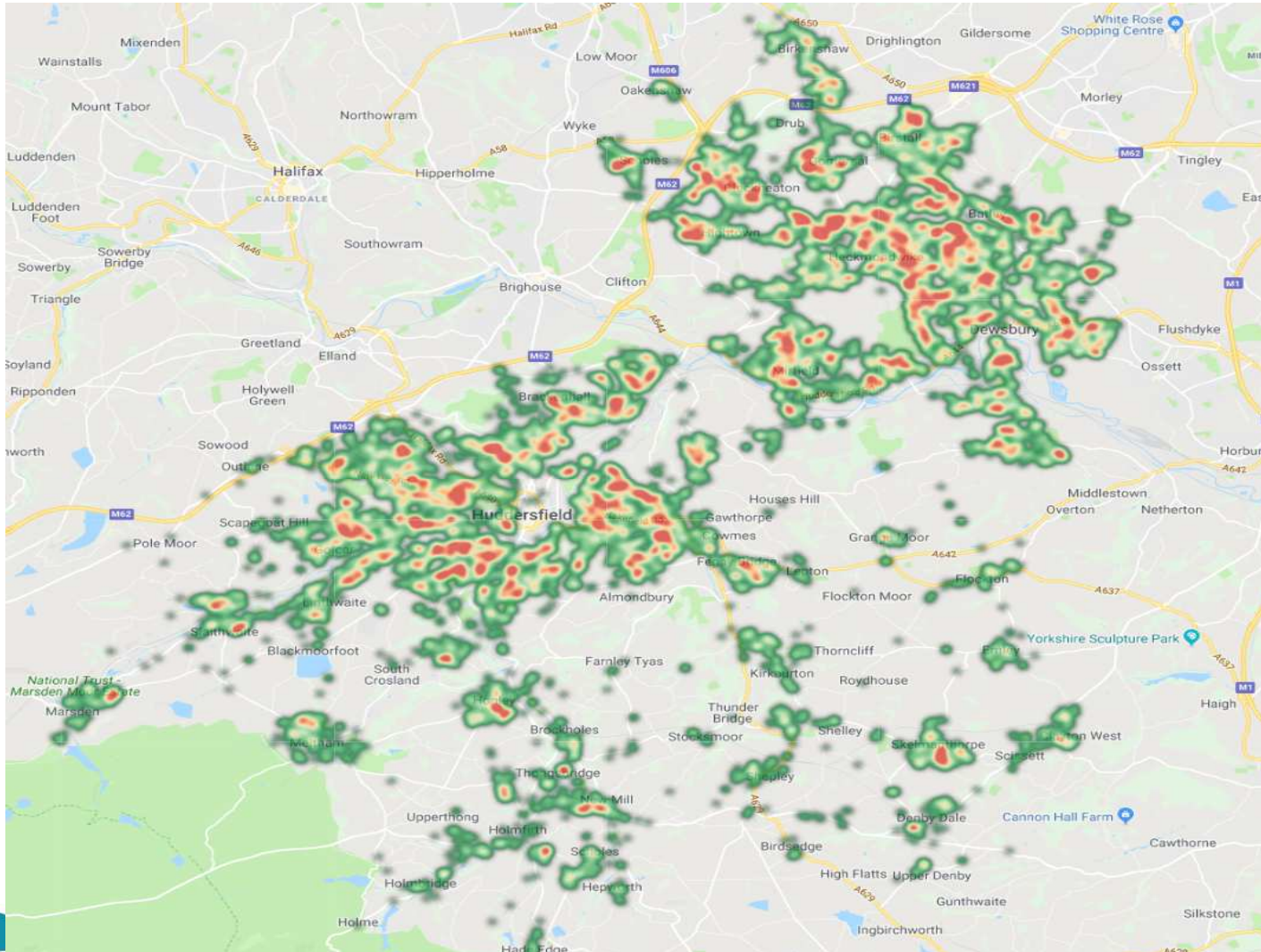
# Total Number of Bulky Items Collected 2015-19



# Total Number of Bulky Items Collected 2018-19



# Bulky Waste Collections Heat Map 2018/19



# Bulky Waste Collections Cluster Map 2018/19

