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TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF DUNGARVAN/LISMORE

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ENVIRONMENT DIRECTORATE REPORT

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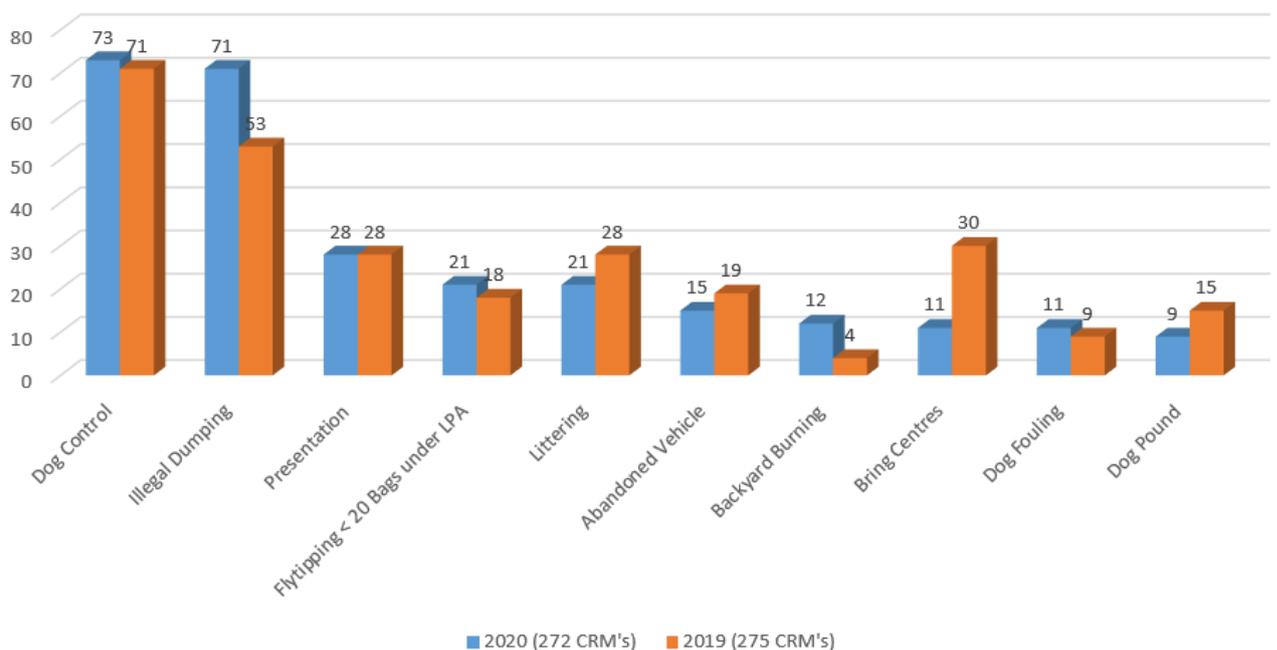
General Environment Enforcement

Environmental Inspectors continue to investigate and monitor illegal waste issues, littering, fly-tipping and illegal signage and issued litter fines where offences are detected. Members of the public are encouraged to contact the local authority to report all incidents of illegal dumping or littering by using the following telephone number: 0761 10 20 20.

The following graph shows a comparison of the top ten categories of CRM cases recorded in the Dungarvan / Lismore area during the period January to June in the years 2019 & 2020.

Environmental Inspectors continue to investigate complaints received and monitor illegal waste issues, littering, fly-tipping and illegal signage and issued litter fines where offences are detected. The Waterford City & County Councils Dog Wardens continue to investigate all control of dogs issue throughout the City & County.

CRM Cases Dungarvan / Lismore



Presentation & Cleansing

Dungarvan:

Since the June Bank holiday weekend the main focus of our work has been the preparation and presentation of key focal points such as Walton Park; the Civic Offices, the planters and hanging baskets through the central part of the town and Grattan Square, the Quays and the Look out. The work programme will move outward from these locations in the coming weeks. Our grass cutting & maintenance regime has been implemented around the town with the primary focus on biodiversity. Areas which have been identified as species rich have been allowed grow to create a meadow effect; these have been carefully chosen so as they do not conflict with their other intended uses. Staff have also supported an initiative to install seating at Grattan Square by providing assistance with procurement, planting and installation.

Colligan River Estuary Clean-up.

A clean up of the Colligan river estuary at Monang was undertaken recently by our staff together with participants in the Community Employment Scheme. The clean-up which was carried out over a two day period resulted in the collection of one tonne of rubbish which had over a period of time been discarded in the river and on the river bank. The waste collected included household items, plastic bottles, containers, wrapping and larger items including a fridge and a mattress. Funding for this clean-up is to be sought under a grant scheme for anti-dumping initiatives.

Environmental Education & Awareness

National Spring Clean

National Spring Clean is taking place at the moment instead of its usual time of the month of April. Community groups, youth groups, schools, Tidy Towns groups, etc. are not holding their cleanup of their local area. Waterford City & County Council continue to offer assistance to the general public to clean up litter and illegally dumped waste from their local environs e.g. approach roads, local beauty spots, beaches and general public areas, in line with advice from the National Spring Clean office regarding COVID-19.

Climate Change

Climate change training workshops for community groups funded through the Local Environment Action Fund Local Agenda 21 are now taking place as online training courses with smaller groups of people over the autumn months and will be offered to any community group interested in learning how to take action about climate change at a local level.

Anti Litter Campaign

A regional litter campaign has recently commenced to highlight the effects of litter on our roadsides and to ask road users to bring their litter home with them. This will take place on social media and on local radio. It is hoped that this will help to reduce the amount of litter on our roadsides.

Website

Environmental Information continues to be added to the Environment section of the Waterford City & County Council website which can be found at www.waterfordcouncil.ie