

CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL

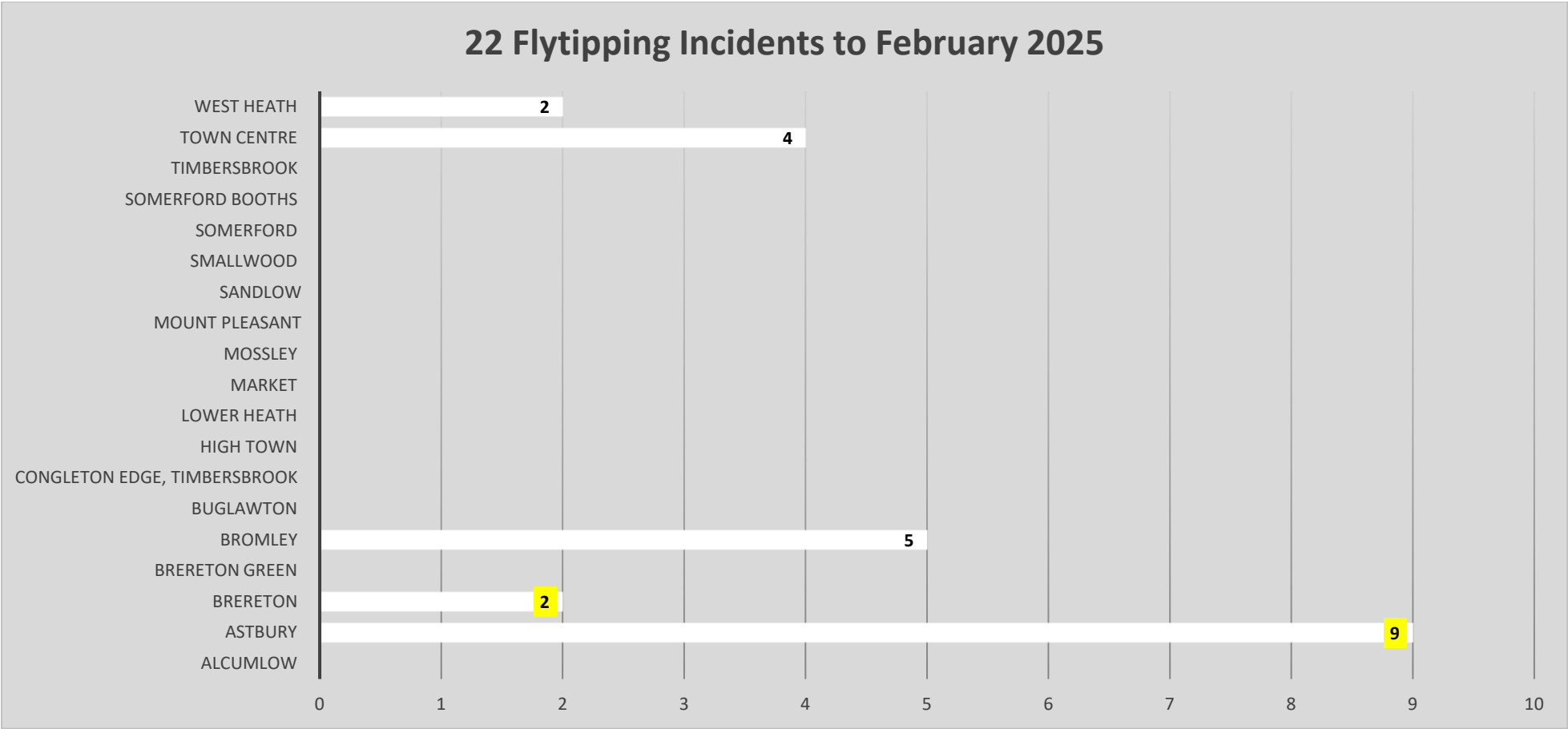
COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES

COMMITTEE:	Environment Committee							
MEETING DATE AND TIME	6 th February 2025 7.00 pm			LOCATION	Town Hall			
REPORT FROM	Chief Officer							
AGENDA ITEM	9							
REPORT TITLE	Streetscape Services							
Update	Fly Tipping 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 year (2024), in comparison to previous years:							
		2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	Jan	4	4	4	16	30	20	17
	Feb	10	2	10	11	25	7	5
	Mar	4	0	32	24	14	8	7
	Apr	10	12	19	10	19	24	29
	May	5	40	22	11	11	24	7
	June	4	22	2	8	26	20	21
	July	8	21	0	13	9	19	
	Aug	5	18	10	26	19	18	
	Sept	6	6	14	23	13	9	
	Oct	5	3	10	8	21	17	
	Nov	4	4	17	25	4	6	
	Dec	5	4	10	30	15	22	
	Total	70	136	150	205	206	194	86
Total Cost	£2324.16	£5380.52	£2481.45	£12,300.87	£ 15,360.76	£ 13,077.18	£7037.00	
	See Appendix A for percentage graphs for each parish area.							
	<u>Staffing</u>							
	1. <u>Streetscape Development Manager Position</u>							
	Interviews of 4 applicants took place on the 25 th June 2026. An update will be provided at the meeting.							
	2. <u>Streetscape of the Streetscape team in work</u>							
	All staff are currently fit and well.							

	<p><u>Private Works</u></p> <p>As a general principle, we are in the process of reviewing contracts for private works to ensure that they are financially beneficial to the council and following the basic principle that additional private works are undertaken during October through to March, wherever possible and the quotes have been approved through our finance office, these include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhead's Meadow, • Astbury Mere Country Park – review currently in progress • Plumley Toft and Bexton Parish Council • Prestbury Parish Council • Cranage • Holmes Chapel • Chelford • Church Lawton • Goostry • Prestbury <p><u>Weed spraying update – CEC Highways / CTC trial</u></p> <p>As you are aware, Cheshire East Council Highways is responsible for weed control on roads, footways and paved areas on all adopted roads in Cheshire East. Discussions were in progress for a trial of having an attachment fitted to our mini sweeper, which will be actioned as soon as possible.</p> <p>Treatment of weeds</p> <p><i>Due to cost and effectiveness, they are not routinely spraying weeds on the highway. they review requests for treatment of weeds in channels, at the top of kerbs, in footways/alleyways (bordering a wall or fence), footpaths and link paths. Where appropriate and where resources are available, we will remove them by mechanical means.</i></p> <p>Weed spraying by CEC Highways is done once a year, due to the reduction of weed control, CTC has been looking at how we can help and carry out further weed treatment; however, there will be a cost (labour, material, and chemicals).</p> <p><u>Love Your Street – Campaign</u></p> <p>In your street where you live as a councillor, we would like you, where possible, to leaflet drop your own road/ street to help start with the campaign and get a group together – all equipment will be provided where necessary.</p>
<p>Financial Considerations</p>	<p>Concerns over the financial impact of fly-tipping, as well as an increase in highway weed control on the streetscape budget lines. Ensuring that external contracts are cost-beneficial to the council.</p>

Environmental Considerations	Consideration over areas to be weed-sprayed and the specific type of chemicals used.
Equality Considerations	Love Your Street campaign will be an opportunity to engage all sectors of the community, and we will look to ensure full inclusivity.
Decision Requested	To receive the report.

Appendix A – Fly Tipping Graphs

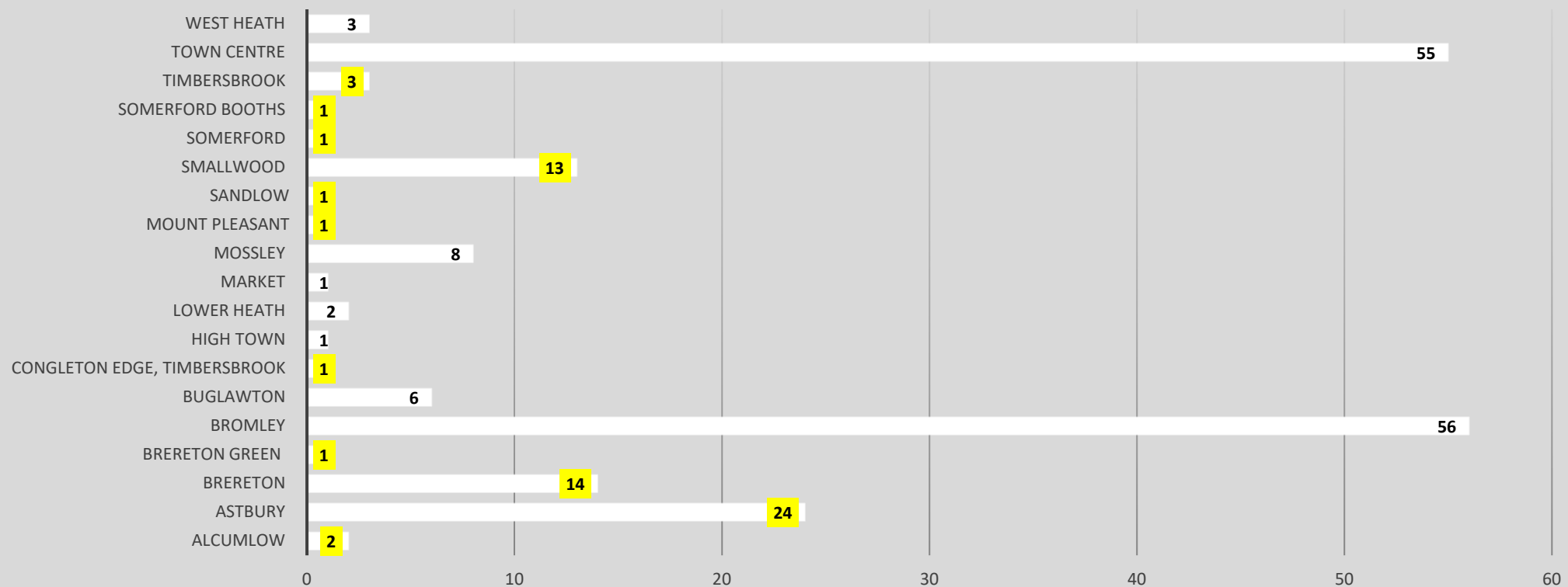


Key

Areas in **YELLOW** are outside of the Congleton LAP

This equates to 11 incidents (50%)

194 Flytipping Incidents January to 31 December 2024



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Areas in **YELLOW** are outside of the Congleton LAP

This equates to 62 incidents (32%)