

SOUTHOE AND MIDLOE PARISH COUNCIL

FLY-TIPPING

The A1, local minor roads and some areas of our villages display disturbing examples of Fly-Tipping.

Residents can help to reduce fly-tipping

There have been recent incidents of residents paying a 'man in a van' to take away unwanted waste only for it to be fly-tipped further down the road or in the local area. Legislation is clear that we, the householders, can be prosecuted if our waste is fly-tipped and be traced back to our address. We are required to take reasonable steps to check that those removing our waste are authorised to do so.

The reasonable steps are:

1. Ask the waste carrier for their full address and phone number.
2. Ask to see their waste carrier licence.
3. Contact the Environment Agency direct on 0800 807060 and ask for a free validation check.

There are, of course, important actions that we can refrain from and persuade our families to do likewise: do not throw away wrappers in the street and don't throw cans, wrappers and other objects out of the window of your car. If you have large items that won't fit into the Huntingdonshire District Council waste bins take them to one of the official tips.

If you wish to report a fly-tipping incident please contact District Councillor Terry Hayward on 01480 810974 or Huntingdonshire District Council on 01480 388388 with as much information as possible.