

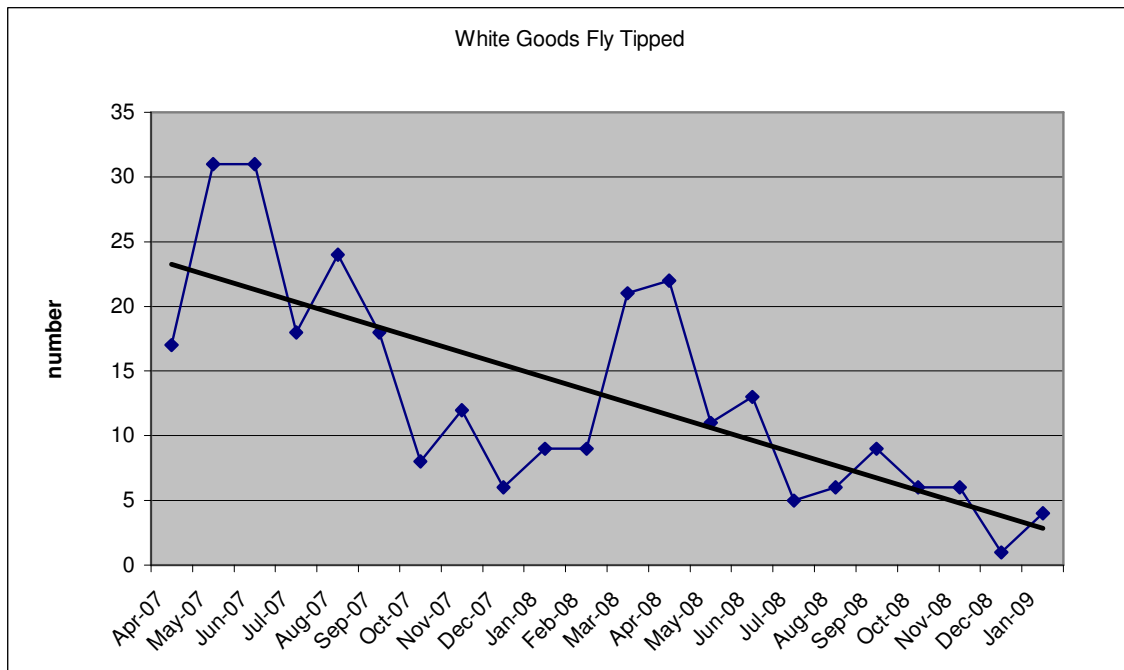
TO: SWALE RURAL FORUM
DATE: 14th April 2009
SUBJECT: FLY TIPPING SINCE INCEPTION OF BULKY WASTE CHARGES
BY: CLEANSING SERVICES MANAGER

Introduction

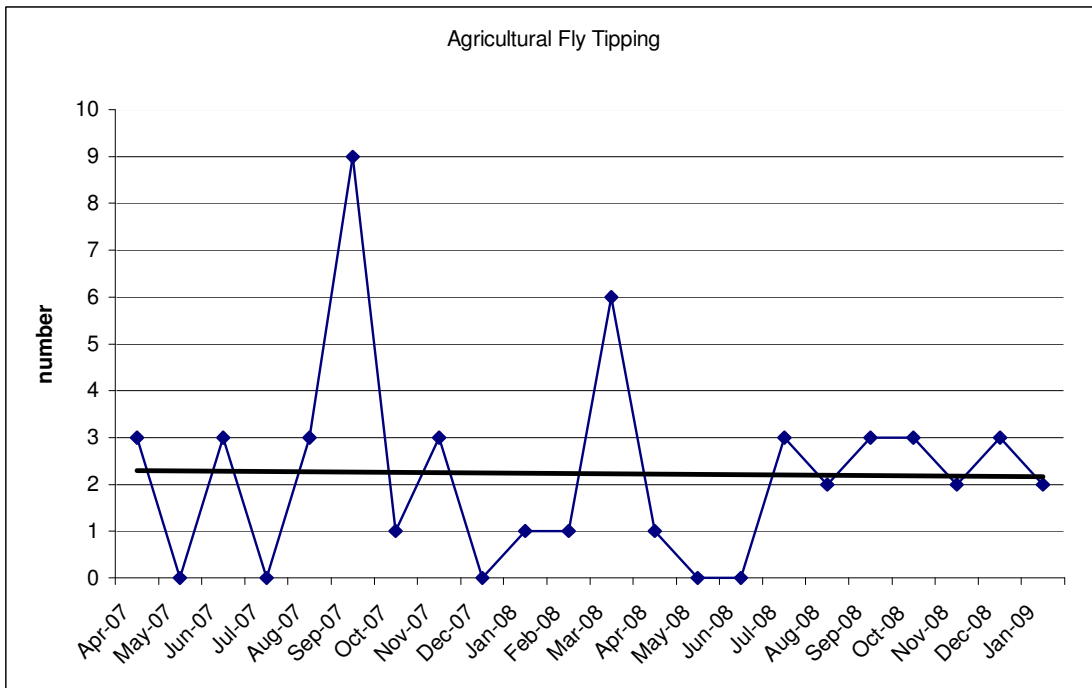
From 1st April 2008 collections of bulky waste (Appendix A) were reduced from any amount of items to up to 4 items at a charge of £15:00 and £15:00 for each individual white item (Appendix B). Concessions for those on benefits includes two free collections per annum for up to 4 items on each occasion or one white good item on each occasion.

As the charts below indicate there is no evidence that the introduction of charging had had any adverse effect on fly tipping although there has been a significant decrease in white goods being flytipped as the trend line in the chart below clearly indicates.

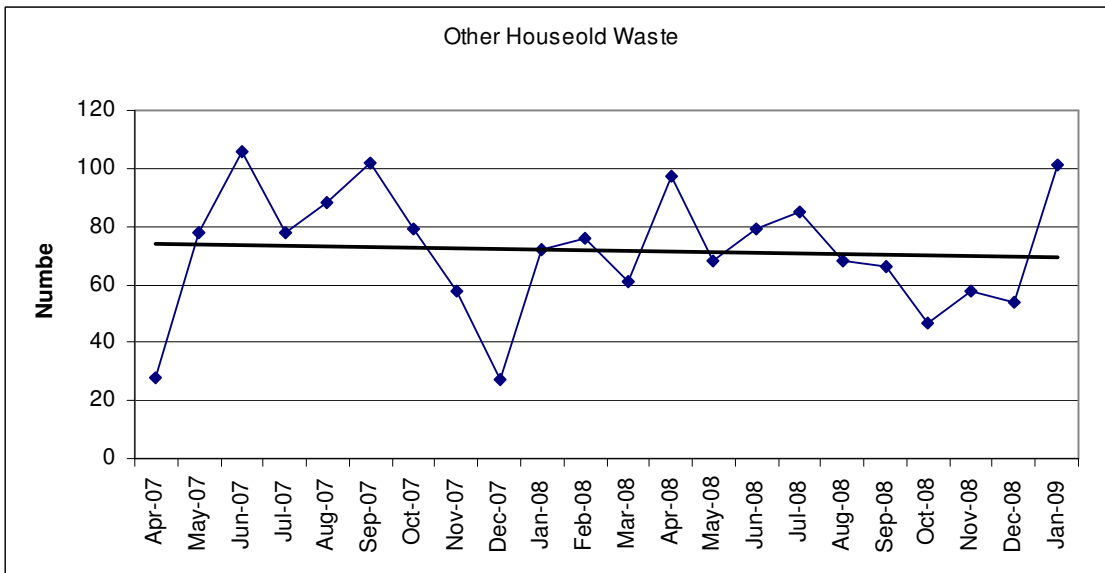
Between April 2007 and January 2009, 287 white goods were fly tipped but as the chart indicates this is a decreasing problem and has reduced significantly since the inception of charging



The number of fly tipping incidents on agricultural land recorded between April 2007 and January 2009 was 49 and as the chart indicates no significant changes due to charging have taken place.



The number of incidents concerning 'other household waste' that can be directly attributable to the bulky waste service shows a marginal decrease for recorded incidents between April 2007 and January 2009. Although not significant it does indicate that the introduction of charging has had no adverse effect on fly tipping.



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List of background documents – Appendix A - Definition: Bulky Waste Items, Appendix B – Definition: White Goods

APPENDIX A

DEFINITION: BULKY WASTE

Means waste that could be removed from the home if moving house such as;
Furniture; carpets; beds; mattresses; table lamps etc.

No fixed items included such as;
Bath; basin; sink; fitted kitchen etc.

APPENDIX B

DEFINITION: WHITE GOODS

Means fridge; cooker; freezer; dishwasher; microwave etc.