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Dear colleagues,

Re: New plans to stop households paying for DIY waste to reduce fly-tipping – have your say

I am writing to inform you of the latest Government plans to reduce fly tipping and to urge you to complete the consultation on banning charging of household building waste materials at council tips, in a bid to prevent fly-tipping.

The Government is consulting on plans to change the rules that currently allow some Local Authorities to charge for DIY waste from households. Under the proposals, households would not be charged to get rid of waste including plasterboards, bricks and bath units.

This is a new move to tackle fly-tipping which is a crime, blights communities, poses a risk to public health and the environment, and costs up to £392 million a year.

The consultation can be completed online at: [Household waste recycling centres: DIY waste disposal charges and booking systems - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/household-waste-recycling-centres-diy-waste-disposal-charges-and-booking-systems)

I support this change in government position. The cost of fly-tipping clear-ups to private landowners and councils is a huge amount of money and the issue is increasing every year. These are criminal acts. By removing the barriers to lawful free disposals at council waste centres, the criminality will be reduced. This is a sound move.

Yours sincerely



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