

Action Plan – Recycling & Village Tidiness Issues

What needs to be done?	Why is it an issue?	What has the community achieved and what further action is being contemplated?
<p>Recycling</p> <p>Ensure kerbside collection service is maintained or even improved or extended</p> <p>The same need was identified in the Children's survey</p> <p>HIGH PRIORITY MEDIUM/ ONGOING TIMESCALE (within 3 years/ continuous)</p>	<p>Residents in Plumpton are clearly very keen on recycling - 83% of households use the kerbside recycling facility; however 61% still have to take certain recyclables outside the village</p>	<p>The VAP Recycling and Village Tidiness Team published a schedule of all kerb-side recycling collection facilities both in the Parish magazine and on the VAP website, to encourage even higher use of kerbside recycling facilities in the community. This will be updated should substantive changes be made.</p>
<p>Research collection of cardboard, plastics, tetrapacks and large items</p> <p>HIGH PRIORITY QUICK TIMESCALE (within 6 months)</p>	<p>There is clear demand for extending the range of recyclable waste that can be collected in the village</p>	<p>In conjunction with Lewes District Council, a new cardboard recycling facility was installed at the Playing Fields in Summer 2009. The facility is emptied by LDC once a week, and there are now three large cardboard bins.</p> <p>Representation has been made, again in conjunction with LDC, for 'Tetrapak' to provide a collection facility in Plumpton. Regular discussion is held with LDC to check if the restriction on five such facilities in the Lewes District might be expanded.</p>
<p>Explore the possibility of a garden compost collection facility</p> <p>LOW PRIORITY SHORT TIMESCALE (within 18 months)</p>	<p>59% of households would make use of a garden waste collection facility, and 42% said they would purchase garden compost from the District Council if it was delivered</p>	<p>The current policy of LDC is not to collect household garden waste from residences. Therefore this policy cannot currently be pursued.</p> <p>However, guidance has been given to residents about alternative ways of recycling 'green' waste.</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Litter</u></p> <p>Ensure the tidiness of the village is maintained with particular emphasis on the bus stops, the recreation ground, and the Village Green area</p> <p style="color: blue;">A need was identified in the Children's survey to reduce litter especially in the skate park and playing fields</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MEDIUM PRIORITY SHORT/ ONGOING TIMESCALE (within 3 years/ continuous)</p>	<p>About one-third of respondents said the village looked untidy, and a number of areas of concern were identified</p>	<p>The feasibility for holding a litter-pick in the community is to be explored in Spring 2011.</p> <p>A mini litter-pick in the Station area was held with volunteers assisting with the Station Partnership Scheme in June 2010.</p>