

# Waste Crime Enforcement and Prevention – What is the Government doing?

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# What have we already done?

- The Fly-Tipping Strategy 2004
- Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005
- Flycapture – the national fly-tipping database
- Flycapture Enforcement Training
- UCL Fly-tipping Research and Good Practice

# The Government's Waste Crime Strategy

1. Better prevention, investigation and enforcement
2. Making legislation more usable and effective
3. Extending the range of powers available to allow more flexibility
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4. Collating data so that resources can be targeted
5. Ensuring the regulators can do their job effectively

[www.defra.gov.uk/environment/localenv/flytipping](http://www.defra.gov.uk/environment/localenv/flytipping)

# What's in the pipeline?

- Duty of Care and Waste Carriers Review
- Stop, Search and Seizure Regulations
- Publication of the Government's Waste Strategy
- Tackling Wider Waste Crime – More Than Fly-tipping
- Involvement in Wider Work on Organised Crime
- Following up on UCL Work
- Further help and support for businesses through BREW
- This should all help the industry!

# What's the Duty of Care Review for?

- Aims to create a duty of care and waste carrier system that:
- Is easier for LAs and businesses to understand
- Promotes compliance
- Has a range of flexible penalties
- Reduces illegal waste activities
- Reduces the mis-description and mis-management of waste

# More Enforcement Improvements to Come...

- Stop, Search and Seizure Regulations planned for enactment in 2008
- Already consulted on the principle as part of the CNEA process
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- Will extend the grounds for stopping and searching and will allow instant seizure - without a warrant
- Would like your help in formulating the details of the Regulations – will consult further in the autumn

# Working with others to achieve greater prevention and recognition of waste crimes

- Revised Waste Strategy - e.g. effects of behavioural incentives on waste crime
- Other Departments' work on organised crime and data sharing e.g. Home Office, Cabinet Office

# Improving our knowledge and expertise to aid prevention

- Learning more about other waste crimes e.g. the abuse of exemptions, and the mis-description of waste
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- Following up on the UCL work e.g. more work on waste crime prevention strategies

# More Information

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