

Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

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Agenda Item 78.

Unauthorised Encampment Management

- Currently under Housing Team with support from localities
- Wokingham Borough Council signed up to [https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/SysSiteAssets/foi-media/thames-valley-police/other information/unauthorised-encampments-protocol-with-local-authorities.pdf](https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/SysSiteAssets/foi-media/thames-valley-police/other%20information/unauthorised-encampments-protocol-with-local-authorities.pdf) in May 2018



Unauthorised Encampment Management

- Updated policy on dealing with unauthorised encampments agreed by Wokingham Borough Council Executive March 2018
- <https://wokingham.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s24328/Unauthorised%20Encampment%20Report.pdf>
- Gave permission to use common law powers



Unauthorised Encampment Data 17/20

Number of Encampments

17/18 FY: 17

18/19 FY: 27

19/20 FY (End of Dec.): 25

Total over last 3 years: 69

Average Number of Days to Clear Encampments

17/18 FY: 6 days

18/19 FY: 4 days

19/20 FY: 3 days

Average over last 3 years: 4 days

Number of Encampments on Public and Private Land

17/18 FY: **Public Land: 10. Private Land: 7**

18/19 FY: **Public Land: 11. Private Land: 16**

19/20 FY: **Public Land: 12. Private Land: 13**

Total on Public Land: 33

Total on Private Land: 36

Number of Encampments cleared with and Without Section 61 Powers

17/18 FY: **With S61: 8 Without S61: 9**

18/19 FY: **With S61: 4 Without S61: 23**

19/20 FY: **With S61: 2 Without S61: 23**

Total with S61: 14

Total without S61: 55



Unauthorized Encampment Data 17/18

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	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18
Number of Encampments	2	5	1	1	6	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Cumulative for the year	2	7	8	9	15	15	15	15	15	16	17	17
No. on Public Land	1	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
No. on Private Land	1	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No. S61 Powers Used	1	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
No. S61 Powers Not Used	1	1	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Avg. Number of Days on Site	8	8	2	4	4.5	0	0	0	0	8	7	0



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Unauthorized Encampment Data 18/19

	Apr-18	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Nov-18	Dec-18	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19
Number of Encampments	0	0	1	4	6	2	1	0	0	4	9	0
Cumulative for the year	0	0	1	5	11	13	14	14	14	18	27	27
No. on Public Land	0	0	0	3	2	2	1	0	0	1	2	0
No. on Private Land	0	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	3	7	0
No. S61 Powers Used	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
No. S61 Powers Not Used	0	0	0	3	5	1	1	0	0	4	9	0
Avg. Number of Days on Site	0	0	4	5.5	2	1	4	0	0	9	4	0

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	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
Number of Encampments	0	0	0	3	10	12	0	0	0	0
Cumulative for the year	0	0	0	3	13	25	25	25	25	0
No. on Public Land	0	0	0	1	4	7	0	0	0	0
No. on Private Land	0	0	0	2	6	5	0	0	0	0
No. S61 Powers Used	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
No. S61 Powers Not Used	0	0	0	2	10	12	0	0	0	0
Avg. Number of Days on Site	0	0	0	4	3	2.5	0	0	0	0



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Unauthorised Encampment Facts 19/20

- **Summary**
- Total days of Unauthorised Encampments 286
- 117 Calls made to Thames Valley Police in total
- 70 Calls made to Wokingham Borough Council
- 165 Hours and 34 minutes of Police officers time approximately taken up = approximately £3, 310
- 155 Hours of WBC Unauthorised Encampment Officer time taken up = approximately is £2, 325
- The cost of the clear up operation by Wokingham Borough Council to remove rubbish unauthorised encampments is £1449.39



Thank you for listening

- Questions?
- Comments?

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