



Conwy Total Focus Week Leads to Successful Prosecution

In May, partner agencies from across Conwy, including Conwy County Borough Council, took part in a Fly-tipping Action Wales campaign to clamp down on fly-tipping and illegal dumping of waste in the County.

On 4th August, Hall & Jones (Properties) Limited were prosecuted for disposing of waste without being a registered waste carrier. The company was fined £165.00 and made to pay costs of £238.25.

Anthony Randles, Fly-tipping Action Wales co-ordinator for North Wales, said: “The Environment Agency Wales case against Hall & Jones was raised as a result of proactive partnership work carried out by Fly-tipping Action Wales and partner agencies during a Total Focus Week campaign launched in May.

“The Week involved enforcement officers and representatives from several partner agencies including Conwy County Council, North Wales Police and Environment Agency Wales coming together to carry out waste carrier stop checks, pollution prevention visits and community clean-ups to try and reduce cases of fly-tipping.

Hall & Jones were stopped during routine inspections on vehicles suspected of carrying waste as part of business operations. Upon inspection, they were found to be carrying waste for business or for profit-making purposes without being registered as a waste carrier. The company owner was subsequently issued with a notice and given ten days to register and failure to do so resulted in them being issued with a court summons.

“Any business, small or large, disposing of waste must by law be registered as a waste carrier. Failure to do so can result in fines and in some cases imprisonment.”

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Notes to editors

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About fly-tipping:

- Fly-tipping is a serious environmental crime which poses a threat to humans and wildlife, damages our environment, and spoils our enjoyment of our towns and countryside. In fly-tipping hot spots it can even reduce property prices, and local businesses may suffer as people stay away.
- One of the best ways the public can help in the fight against fly-tipping is to use an Environment Agency registered waste carrier and ask where your waste is going.
- You can find the registered carriers in your area by visiting www.flytippingactionwales.org or calling 08708 506 506.