

South Lakeland District Council

Street Cleansing

- South Lakeland covers 600 sq miles. We have a fleet of vehicles to clean highways and pavements:
 - 3 x LGV sweepers
 - 5 small compact pedestrian sweepers
 - 10 transit pickups
 - 25 staff
- There are around 800 litterbins emptied up to 3 times a day in busy areas.
- Roads are cleansed to an annual programme, collecting 1,135 tonnes of waste:
 - Daily
 - Weekly
 - 6 weekly
 - 13 weekly
 - 52 weekly
- We clean up dog fouling and collect animal carcasses.
- We are responsible for weed spraying within the 30mph speed limit areas
- We do not have a gully cleaning machine and have no responsibility for this
- We do not cut back verges, or side clean.
- SLDC cleansing is routine maintenance, however if there is a spillage on the highway we do wash it down.
- We also clear debris from flooding and leaves that are blocking drains.
- The Highway Authority is responsible for anything that constitutes pedestrian health & safety.

Streetcare Enforcement Team

- The team comprises of 4 officers who cover the district.
- The team is on duty 365 days a year and deals with environment issues such as:
 - Fly tipping
 - Dog fouling
 - Waste offences
 - Litter offences
 - Abandoned and Nuisance vehicles
 - Manages the migration of travellers though the district en route to the Appleby Horse Fair
 - Monitors contracts on behalf of SLDC, including waste, recycling, street cleansing and grounds maintenance
- In 2010 we investigated 698 cases of fly tipping, which amounted to 22 tonnes of waste.
- Our officers, along with PCSOs, are authorised to issue Fixed Penalty notices for the following offences:
 - Depositing litter
 - Failure to comply with a Street Litter Notice
 - Failure to comply with a Litter Cleaning Notice
 - Failure to produce waste documents
 - Failure to produce authority to transfer waste
- During 2010/11 we recycled and composted over 43% of the waste collected.
 - 6,678 tonnes of recycling
 - 4,099 tonnes of green waste
- There are 31 Recycling Centres, collecting 2,870 tonnes in 2010/11.