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Litter Free Lewes

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Information Request and Response by Lewes District Council

1. *What is the budget for litter picking in Lewes (and/or the wider area)?*

There is no specific budget for Lewes Town. The annual street cleansing budget for all of Lewes District is currently £838K and this covers all street cleansing work across the District.

2. *How many people are employed and how often purely for the task of litter picking?*

There are currently around 20 people allocated to street cleansing duties across the District (113 square miles)

3. *Does the budget and number of employees reflect the rise in population, traffic and visitor numbers over the last 20 years?*

The waste service budget is set annually by Cabinet and includes refuse, recycling and street cleansing; factors such as those mentioned are taken into consideration at that time.

4. *Can we request manpower to clear an area that is in a particularly bad state?*

As well as the day to day business as usual street cleansing, we also carrying out specifically targeted cleansing works as and where required. All requests are considered, prioritised and actioned, as and when operationally viable.

5. *What process do we need to go through to improve location of bins, request new bins and/or signage?*

Please contact the customer service team via online form to put in a request <https://www.lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk/contact-us/contact-us-form/>

6. *How can I apply for a bin at the North Street recycling mini bring site?*

Please see the response to question 5.