

## General criteria for the location of a litter bin.



This policy outlines the main criteria used for the location of a new litter bin or a review of a location where there is an existing litter bin.

- 1 Litter bins are part of a strategy to reduce litter on pavements and verges. This has to be balanced against the high cost of establishing and servicing a litter bin and is contingent on the budget being available for the initial purchase.
- 2 Areas that will have priority are:
  - High Streets and areas of high public usage (known as z zones).
  - Fast food outlets, sweet shops and similar “take away” outlets and the main pedestrian routes from these shops.
  - Main pedestrian routes to schools from local shops especially for high schools or community centres.
  - Areas where people congregate e.g. Tube stations, bus stops, benches, grassed areas.
  - Recreational parks and play areas under a service level agreement with Waste Management.
- 3 The type of litter bin will be chosen from a standard range and where possible, in high streets and areas classed as z zones a recycling litter bin will be chosen that will have two compartments – one for recycling and one for general waste.
- 4 The positioning of a litter bin will take into account:
  - The amount of pedestrian footfall or related traffic, with preference to areas with significant footfall.
  - The width of the pavement/area which must be wide enough to accommodate both a litter bin and a double children’s buggy.
  - Possible effects on adjacent properties.
  - Proximity to other litter bins.
  - Litter or fly tipping issues.
- 5 Continuous damage to a litter bin or other street furniture may result in EFDC withdrawing or changing the facility offered.
- 6 We will normally not install litter bins on any public bridleway or any unmade public footpath, however on some hard surfaced public footpaths it may be possible after an assessment.

- 7 When we are asked to install litter bins on private land (non public highway land), the full cost of installation will be required in advance including costs for emptying if required.