

Dacorum Borough Council prosecute following garage block flytip!



On the 7th March 2018 Mr Gary Puddephatt of Stevenage Rise, Hemel Hempstead pleaded guilty to an offence of failing to comply with Section 34(2A) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

On 21st February 2017 a DBC Environmental Enforcement Officer responded to a flytip report of mixed waste in a garage block in St Agnells Lane, Hemel Hempstead. On inspection the Officer found letters addressed to Mr Puddephatt amongst the waste. A Fixed Penalty Notice was issued but not paid. At Court Mr Puddephatt blamed friends for depositing the waste while helping him move. He subsequently pleaded guilty at St Albans Magistrates and was ordered to pay a total of £1197, this included a £350 fine, £35 victim surcharge and £812 costs.

Cllr Janice Marshall Portfolio holder for Environmental & Community Protection said,

“The act of fly tipping is a blight on our landscape, the clearance of which ties up valuable resources that could be better used in a more proactive way to improve the look of the Borough. We hope these prosecutions send out a strong message about Dacorum Borough Council’s zero tolerance approach to fly tipping”.