

ABANDONED VEHICLES

Stroud District Council has a duty to investigate and removed abandoned vehicles. This is part of the Refuse Disposal (Amenity) Act, and the clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005. We work with Gloucestershire County Council and Stroud has a responsibility to remove vehicles where they are deemed to be abandoned and the County Council has a duty to store and dispose of them.

The table shows the number of vehicles reported to us in ascending numerical order. As in the previous year Stroud remains the area with the highest number of reported vehicles, however this area has still seen a reduction in the number reported and removed vehicles.

	2021/22	2022/23	Variance
Number of vehicles reported	376	369	7 (1.86% decrease)
Number of vehicles inspected	4	6	2 (50% increase)
Number of vehicles removed	2	3	1 (50% increase)

The number of vehicles being reported to has fallen by 7 (1.86%) since the previous year and residents are now able to report abandoned vehicles directly to us via the Stroud District Council website.

Area	Reported	Inspected	Removed
Alkington	1	0	0
Arlingham	1	0	0
Berkeley	9	1	0
Bisley-With-Lypiatt	1	0	0
Brimscombe And Thrupp	7	0	0
Brookthorpe-With-Whaddon	4	2	2
Cainscross	11	0	0
Cam	17	1	0
Chalford	12	0	0
Cranham	1	0	0
Dursley	21	0	0
Eastington	1	0	0
Frampton-On-Severn	6	0	0
Fretherne-With-Saul	1	0	0
Ham And Stone	2	0	0
Hardwicke	16	0	0

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Harescombe	2	0	0
Haresfield	1	1	1
Hillesley & Tresham	1	0	0
Hinton	3	0	0
Horsley	3	0	0
Hunts Grove	1	0	0
Kings Stanley	5	0	0
Kingswood	2	0	0
Leonard Stanley	9	0	0
Minchinhampton	21	0	0
Miserden	3	0	0
Nailsworth	17	1	0
North Nibley	1	0	0
Nymphsfield	1	0	0
Painswick	10	0	0
Pitchcombe	1	0	0
Randwick And Westrip	10	0	0
Rodborough	19	0	0
Select (area not selected)	23	0	0
Slimbridge	1	0	0
Standish	2	0	0
Stinchcombe	3	0	0
Stonehouse	29	0	0
Stroud	60	0	0
Upton St Leonards	3	0	0
Whiteshill And Ruscombe	3	0	0
Whitminster	2	0	0
Woodchester	1	0	0
Wotton-Under-Edge	21	0	0

All reports we receive are checked to ensure that the vehicle is abandoned. Many of the vehicles reported do not qualify as being abandoned and are vehicles which are inconsiderately parked. These are not followed up by an investigation.

Additionally, vehicles that qualify as being abandoned when checked are often removed from the location prior to an investigation starting.

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