News release

Covert camera catches fly-tipper in the act at Romsey hotspot

A covert camera placed by Test Valley Borough Council (TVBC) at a fly-tipping hotspot in Romsey has resulted in another conviction.

Yevhen Topolnytskyy, 36, from Southampton, was pictured removing waste from his vehicle and leaving it in on Lee Lane on 7 April 2023.

The items dumped included aerosol cans, plastic bottles, a metal clothes airer, paint and other household waste.

Topolnytskyy was invited to an interview under caution where he admitted to the offence.

At Southampton Magistrates Court on 6 October 2023 Topolnytskyy pleaded guilty and was given a fine of £384 and ordered to pay compensation to TVBC of £728 for the clean-up of the fly-tip.

Portfolio Holder for Environmental Services, Councillor David Drew, said:

"This is another really pleasing result after our covert camera caught someone in the act of fly-tipping. Dumping waste has never been, and never will be, acceptable in Test Valley. Please use the local and household recycling centres for disposing of your waste correctly."

Visit <u>www.testvalley.gov.uk/wasteandrecycling</u> to find out more information on where you can take your rubbish.

ENDS