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We have now completed our search for the information you requested in your email of the 24 March regarding Litter collection on the A34. Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Which local authorities are responsible for litter collection along this stretch of the A34, and what defines the limits of their areas of responsibility?

Six district councils are responsible for litter picking along the A34. They are as follows:

Winchester City Council
Test Valley Borough Council
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council
West Berkshire Council
Vale of White Horse District Council
Cherwell District Council

For your reference I have attached a leaflet detailing the litter picking responsibilities.

What role does Highways England play in monitoring the litter situation, and holding the local authorities to account for litter collection in this area?

A route team for our service provider, Kier carries out inspections along the A34 and then informs the local authority of any litter issues they encounter. If no action is taken at this stage, it is then escalated to our Operations and Maintenance team, who will discuss with the local authority. If nothing is done further, Highways England would need to consider the appropriate legal action, for example a litter abatement order.

How many Litter Abatement Orders have been issued against the relevant local authorities in the last five years?

Highways England hasn't issued any litter abatement orders against the local authorities in the last five years.

When was this section of the road last litter picked?

Highways England doesn't hold this information.

When will this section of the road be litter picked next?

Highways England doesn't hold this information.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote reference number [REDACTED] in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way we have handled your request you may ask for an internal review. Our internal review process is available at:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england/about/complaints-procedure>

If you require a print copy, please phone the Information Line on 0300 123 5000; or e-mail info@highwaysengland.co.uk. You should contact me if you wish to complain.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
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Yours sincerely

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