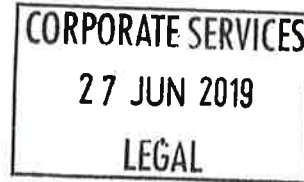


Appendix A

Martin Goodman
Head of Legal and Democratic Services
Sevenoaks District Council

26th June 2019

Dear Martin



Reference: Environmental Protection Act 1990

As per our previous correspondence I confirm that Swanley Town Council would like Sevenoaks District Council to adopt and then delegate to us the above power (s99) to deal with abandoned shopping and luggage trollies.

Each of the store managers in Swanley and their regional headquarters have been approached about this situation and while Asda have put in magnetic strips which helped for a short period of time they have failed to re-fit all their trollies with the appropriate locks.

The situation in Swanley now is that up to 100 trollies every day are abandoned in the town centre stretching out up to 1 mile into surrounding areas and housing estates. The offending trollies are from Aldi, Wilkos and Asda but we also have trollies from M&S (we don't have one in the town).

Because we have already used every form of persuasion to the stores involved and forwarded complaints to them for over two years we now we feel this is the only option left. We hopeful that by doing this it will motivate the stores to take more affirmative action and remove this blight on the town.

We are aware that a period of consultation is required and will be writing to the store managers and regional offices to make them aware that we are pursuing this avenue. Ideally we would like them to resolve this issue but must have the ability to take more affirmative action of our own. As Christmas is fast approaching and the worst time for this we would hope for completion within the next 5 months.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "S. Nash".

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