

**Complaints about litter forwarded to Highways England CEO,  
Jim O’Sullivan** Copied to Office Of Rail & Road

**Complaints since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 (14) shown below.**

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05-04-16	Janet Wilby	<b>All slips roads off M2</b> into Faversham and off Brenley roundabout are <b>full of litter</b> , even fly tipping, is taking place. I think Kents road are an absolute disgrace roads on the continent are never in such a filthy state, It's a shame the public treat roads like this , but where there is litter there will always be more litter left, so if the slips roads, especially onto Asford Road A251 it may help improve the situation.
05-04-16	Joyce Langford	I frequently drive on the <b>A3</b> between Godalming (Milford) and Guildford in Surrey. The amount of <b>litter is disgraceful</b> and shaming when our friends from Denmark visit us. The overall state of Highways England network is dreadful and could be potentially dangerous when large sheets of plastic blow across the road or chunks of blown tyres litter the motorway.
04-04-16	Tom Parkinsin	Terrible litter at <b>junction 6 of the M56/junction 20 of the M6</b> (Lymm), looks like several months worth especially on the several slip roads. Works are currently taking place but for some reason it is not deemed fit to remove this litter at the same time. I travel widely and can honestly say the UK's motorways and A-roads are by far the worst in Europe, North America and Australia. Is it really too much to ask for some 'Don't litter' signs?
04-04-16	Julie Ludbrook	The exit slip roads from <b>the M25 at junction 6</b> <b>have a lot of rubbish on the verges</b> . Is it Highways England who is responsible for this or Surrey Highways?

04-04-16	Lorna Brewin	I travel regularly along the A256 and <b>A20 between Sandwich and Folkestone</b> . The <b>litter is appalling</b> and getting worse each week. It is shameful to see our once clean highways becoming a dumping ground from vehicles.
04-04-16	Mel North	I would like to register my concern at the amount of accumulated litter along the <b>M4 corridor between J17 and J18</b> and on the slip road coming from the M4 (west) on to the roundabout at J17. My heart sinks every day when I see the garbage. At the J17 roundabout there are a huge amount of take away hot drink cups, food wrappers, cans (including one I noticed that looks like a relic it is so rusted) and what looks like urine-filled plastic milk bottles. In any area, including one like Wiltshire that relies a good deal on tourism, it is an embarrassment to have national routes like the M4 blighted in this way. It is also hazardous to other drivers, particularly in high winds, when litter like plastic bags and sheeting flies around, as well as detrimental to wildlife living near the motorways. I can image that there is also a risk to farmers of their fields becoming contaminated with litter. As well as having the litter routinely cleared away, would it be possible to have some signs put up reminding people that dropping litter puts highway workers lives at risk? I don't know if CCTV is ever considered on slip roads to deter people from throwing litter from their vehicles? Many thanks.
03-04-16	Janet Adams	A249.. Disgusting buildup of litter both sides for last 3 months
03-04-16	Chris Euden	The entire network is a mess. In my recent travels the A12 - particulalry around the <b>M25 junction</b> and up 4 miles north of it. The A3 - entire route from Guildford to Hindhead. The network needs enforcement via CCTV and then publicised fines. The programmable gantry signs should have anti litter messages at all times when not in use for safety reasons. Junctions should have CCTV analysed and offenders fined. We need a national strategy on this. The network is a disgrace.

03-04-16	John Ford	Very poor litter on and around the <b>M40 junction</b> with the A40 at Oxford Services.
02-04-16	Clare McGeehan	<b>M6 simply disgusting!</b>
01-04-16	Tom Lawson	The A1 from the new section at Elkesley down to the junction with the A17, just south of the river Trent. The amount of litter along this extensive section of the <b>A1 is simply disgusting</b> . When was litter last cleared on this section of road?
31-03-16	Tracey Wills	The <b>A20 between Folkestone and Dover is a disgrace</b> . It hasn't been litter picked in months and the verges, laybys and central reservation look like a landfill site. The M20 between Dover and Maidstone is not much better with all the slip roads and central reservation full of litter.
31-03-16	Diane Wright	I drive all over the country, and <b>the roadside verges almost everywhere are in a disgraceful state</b> , so pinpointing one particular area is not helpful. I feel sorry for cash strapped authorities who have to deal with this almost impossible situation. Never the less something <b>MUST</b> be done about it, and it behoves us all to <b>NOT DROP THE RUBBISH</b> in the first place (not difficult) and help to clear it up ourselves rather than just moan. The more people who participate, visibly, the more quickly the (criminal) act of littering will be seen to be thoroughly unacceptable. A huge amount of the rubbish is associated with fast food, so those outlets need to at least use biodegradable packaging if possible, and display educational/shock horror information on the effect of irresponsible disposal. Make cars with windows which don't open (like busses and trains!) Educate everyone on the massive and rapidly growing rubbish problems world wide. Try to instil some sort of personal pride into people who are lazy, ignorant, arrogant and uncaring.
30-03-16	Kim Waters	<b>A1M in Hertfordshire</b> litter all along central reservation and on verges. Roundabouts exiting at Stevenage and Hatfield are in a disgusting state. Embarrassed about the state of our roads when visitors are here. Depressing state of affairs.