

**Complaints made via Clean Highways for onward transmission to Jim O'Sullivan CEO of Highways England about A13  
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Anthony Smith	<p><b>A13</b> In Essex. I travel from Orsett to Lakeside in Thurrock regularly. The rubbish is getting worse and worse. It makes me feel ashamed to say that I live in Thurrock. Also in Welling Road RM16 where we live. There is always rubbish in the road from the Rio recycling plant. It is really depressing to live here. Could you please do something about it.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Anthony Smith</p>
Alison Crooks	<p>I travelled on the <b>A13</b> towards Barking yesterday. The <b>A13</b> is a disgrace. Whilst I see the benefit of litter picking and cleaning up this area, it seems to be completely pointless unless action is taken against the people responsible.</p>
Mark Godfrey	<p>The <b>A13</b> from Rainham to Dartford just before M25 &amp; A12 to Brentwood which has never been cleared of litter for many years it is disgusting the trees and bushes are covered in plastic bags hundreds of them, I would say at least 70 black bags to clear the amount of litter / rubbish on the grass verge on both sides. The A406 from Wanstead to (Redbridge roundabout) to The Barking flyover full of litter far as your eyes can see this will take a hundred black bags to &amp; clear it. Please help I will try to take photos to show you the amount of litter strewn all over and has been like this since the Olympics</p>
Gail Mills	<p>The litter on the <b>A13</b> is the worst most disgusting I have seen, as is the A2 from Kent to The Sun in the Sands roundabout. Another disgusting litter filled road is the A2 from Faversham, Kent to the Folkestone turnoff. As you are obviously incapable of doing your job, you should resign and let decent caring people take over.</p>
Andy Cumming	<p>The <b>A13</b> in Essex is appalling and strewn with litter along its whole length. Junctions are always bad where cars stop at roundabouts and on slip roads but add to this the litter which pours out of the many "recycling" lorries (environmentally friendly apparently) which frequent this road and you basically have a rubbish dump. Not on your map but the A127 in Essex is also a disgrace and even with recent road closures to resurface the highway, no attempts were made to clear up. It is not just Essex though, a trip to Bristol today also highlighted much of the M25 and M4 having similar issues. Much of the litter is just pure laziness and ignorance of drivers and passengers that think nothing of discarding their trash through open windows. Can there not be more policing or effort from the government to make people aware? Perhaps target school children who can then tell their parents of the affect this has on the environment.</p>
Nicky Binder	<p>I travelled on the <b>A13</b> from East London through Thurrock..... On Friday, March 25th. The amount of rubbish STILL there was an embarrassment to be honest. It paints a sorry picture of apathy and total lack of value by the relevant Council (Thurrock?) in relation to caring for the environment. What needs to be done to actually get someone in Thurrock to see this as a real problem? Shame on you all for your inactivity.</p>
Tim Bush	<p>Travelled recently around Thurrock and Tilbury. M25 / <b>A13</b>. The roadsides are full of litter and obvious are tied up carrier bags of rubbish that are dumped by lorry drivers or just thrown out of their windows. Like others who make these comments I drive on the Continent a fair bit and can't understand why for 100s</p>

of miles there is no litter to be seen. Bottles, & cans in Germany have a deposit so this simple measure ensures they aren't discarded and are always returned, if not by the purchaser then by someone else who'd like €0.50 for an empty plastic bottle. Why can't we do this in the UK?! It would drastically, drastically reduce litter in the UK and litter on the roads. I feel ashamed that visitors to the UK from Continental Europe have to witness the rubbish along the M20, M2, M25 and then seemingly most other UK roads.

- Susan Meynell **A13** approaching London M11 and A11 particularly around areas where there are roadside mobile food vans. The approach to the roundabout entering the M25 at the junction from the A4 coming from London. All these areas are strewn with litter and plastic fluttering from the adjacent bushes. There is little point in planting a wonderful show of daffodils (**A13** approaching London) if the verges are full of debris.
- Mark Godfrey I have never seen so much Litter / Rubbish. In all my life it is disgusting, I feel so ashamed & Angry how this once beautiful country has turned into a huge rubbish tip especially on the **A13** near to Wennington, Essex all the way up to the Lakeside turn off, also the **A13** near A406 turn off about 3 miles full of litter. To be honest most of our motorways are full of Litter especially near to the towns. I am so ashamed of our country & the people who now live in it they just do not care! Why is this country now so filthy & dirty? Other countries in Europe are not like this.
- Jessie Skinner We travelled between our home in Westcliff on sea and Kent via the Dartford Bridge, yesterday. 17/3/2016 The **A13** between Stanford le Hope and the Dartford Bridge turn off is absolutely disgusting. I have never seen such a revolting, putrefying, mess. The hedgerows were strewn with plastic bags and sheet plastic, the ground with cartons, bottles, coffee cups and general litter. It was appalling, the worst I have ever seen, quite nauseating.
- Giovanni Ghidotti I just would like to report the appalling condition of the **A13** about 1 mile before Barking, coming from the city, at the junction with the flyover that leads to the 369. Well it is a complete mess, completely covered with litter and plastic bags hanging on trees. Actually a couple of days ago I saw a man cutting the grass but nothing else was done, that job was absolutely useless and he made things worse as the paper got shredded causing even more litter. Could you please send a group of people as I believe the situation is so bad that a man on his own would probably need a good couple of days to clean it up, as I am a bit concerned about the environment and how bad that can be to the local wildlife and not to mention the level of degradation caused to the local community. I would like to thank you in advance for your help and concern. Giovanni ps: The litter problem reported is much worse than the picture above.
- Gail Mills **A13** from M25 to A127 is the worst litter I have ever seen. Do our MP's, councillors etc. not even see the rubbish or do they simply not care. In the 2 years I have travelled this road, I have NEVER seen any clearance. Where are people on community service? The relevant people whose job it is to keep our roads clear should be SACKED.
- Paul James Is the **A13** Britain's filthiest road? The accumulation of litter on the verges and plastic adorning bushes heading east from the M25 has to be seen to be believed. I've been traveling on the **A13** regularly since October and have seen no improvement whatsoever in that time.

Deborah	Fielding	I have just driven from the Dartford Toll Tunnel to Southend along the A13 and was pretty disgusted about the amount of rubbish, mainly plastic bags, along that road. This needs some serious cleaning up
David	Leary	THE A13 IN ESSEX IS ABSOLUTELY DISGUSTING DEBRIS OF ALL SORTS BY THE CARRIAGEWAY. WHAT IS BEING DONE ABOUT IT?
Jenni	Braysher	There appears to be more litter on the A13 than cars. It never appears to be cleared at all. It is disgusting.
Peter	Belsham	The A13 and the A1089 to Tilbury docks. Not only is there litter at the side of the road but the trees and bushes are full of sheets of plastics.It needs to be cleared now while the trees are out of leaf.I cannot comment on the overall state of the Highways England network,but in Thurrock it is appalling.
Paul	James	The verges of A13 east from the M25 are in an appalling state. I travel this route fairly regularly and have seen no improvement in the volume of litter either east or westbound in the last 12 months. There is even a sofa on the verge of the eastbound carriageway which has been fly-tipped. It's been there over a month.
Adrian	Rudd	I Drive all over East Anglia, it doesn't seem to matter what road i drive on it's in a filthy state. The worst areas I've been in are Essex the A13 Benfleet, you can't see the grass verge it's covered with litter. And then I saw these idiots cutting the grass verge shredding the litter all over the place, shorly with the best will in the world you pick the litter up first ? Also A12 Colchester, A120 to Harwich,A133 to Clacton is bad. Cambridge Area is also bad A14 from Newmarket to Cambridge, A10 to Ely is also in a bad state, especially near the refuge site.
Gail	Mills	The A13 from Kent into London and Essex has the worst amount of litter I have ever seen and in all my weekly journeys to Essex along the A13 I have never seen anyone clear it. WHY IS THAT AND WHEN WILL IT BE CLEARED. The A2 to London is actually much worse so I have no faith in the Highways England Network.