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Glenwood UIP is encouraging people to tow the line by abiding to waste removal by-laws to keep the area looking good.

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Ambassadors are sent out to tidy up bags on collection day.

GLENWOOD Urban Improvement Precinct (GUIP) is focusing on a campaign to educate residents and businesses about proper waste removal and illegal dumping.

Speaking to *Berea Mail*, precinct manager Vernon Stokes, said from the left hand side of Che Guevara (Moore) Road across to King Dinizulu (Berea) Road and across to Musgrave, waste removal collection was done by the Sydney Road DSW depot on a Tuesday, and for the right hand side of Che Guevara Road all the way to the M7 waste removal was done by the Jacobs DSW depot on a Monday.

"We have had some success in minimising issues, but we have found that people are putting rubbish out too early or on the incorrect day, and these bags are ripped open by the homeless, which makes the area look untidy, and the UIP is blamed for not doing its job. We have started sending the Ambassadors out to tidy up these bags on collection day. This is working well so far and minimising the issue to a point," he said.

He said some buildings in Che Guevara Road had been identified for not using their green wheely bins, and for merely piling up rubbish on street corners, which are then opened and rifled through by the homeless.

Stokes said the GUIP would be contacting the body corporates to act on this.



Glenwood UIP is acting on the issue of placement of illegal posters on street lights, bus shelters and power boxes at intersections.

Stokes said the question was how to get residents and the few businesses who are guilty of this to put bags out regarding to what is right, stated in the city by-laws.

He said he had gone through the city by-laws and extracted information to educate the community on what is required of them in terms of the law regarding the disposal of refuse.

The GUIP had also installed 36 illegal dumping signs in the area and was acting on the issue of placement of illegal posters on street lights, bus shelters and power boxes at intersections.

He said people needed to obtain a permit from the municipality to advertise.

"The gist of what we are doing with this is to encourage people to tow the line and keep the area looking good," said Stokes.

Municipal by-laws regarding waste removal:

No person may within a public place, deposit, dump or discard any waste or litter in a manner that detracts from the cleanliness of such public place or which causes a nuisance; and anywhere other than in a receptacle provided by the Municipality for that purpose.

Waste means any substance, whether or not that substance can be reduced, re-used, recycled and recovered that is surplus, unwanted, rejected, discarded, abandoned or disposed of; which the generator has no further use of for the purposes of production; that must be treated or disposed of; or that is identified as a waste by the Minister by notice in the Gazette.

Waste collection day:

A waste generator must, before 6.30am on waste collection day for the area within which his or her premises fall, ensure that all waste containers and disposable plastic refuse bags containing domestic waste or business waste are placed: immediately outside the boundary of the premises, on the nearest street boundary; or in such other place as may be determined by the Municipality.

The waste generator must ensure that the waste containers are properly closed and that they do not cause any obstruction to pedestrian or vehicular traffic.

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Building Waste:

The Municipality is not obliged to collect and remove building waste.

Each waste generator who generates building waste must: remove, or cause to be removed, such waste and dispose

of it at a waste disposal site.

It is an offence for any person to deposit building waste at any place other than a waste disposal site.

Dumping: whistle blowing:

The Municipality may establish mechanisms to assist members of the public to report instances of dumping in contravention of this by-law.

Dumping: naming and shaming:

The Municipality may publish the name of any person convicted of dumping in contravention of this by-law, along with details of that person's offence.