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21 July 2023

Cllr Matt Boughton  
Leader  
Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council  
Gibson Building, Gibson Drive  
Kings Hill, West Malling  
Kent, ME19 4LZ

Our Ref: TT42055/Litter and Fly-Tipping

Dear Matt,

Earlier this month the Government raised the maximum fine available for littering and fly-tipping offences. From Monday 10 July 2023 the maximum fine available for fly-tipping is £1,000 and the maximum fine available for littering is £500.

I know that Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council takes seriously its commitment to tackling littering and fly-tipping I would appreciate it if you could address whether Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council would consider raising its level of fines to the new maximum, which would help deter those who litter and fly-tip from doing so in our community.

Sadly, too many of our towns and rural villages across Tonbridge, Edenbridge and Malling are blighted by litter and fly-tipping, and it is right that strong action is taken to deter this.

I would be grateful if you could consider following the Government's lead to make sure our community remains as clean and tidy as possible.

I look forward to hearing back from you.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Tugendhat".

**TOM TUGENDHAT**

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