

## **Document 1:**

### **Mother's £270 fine for putting rubbish out on wrong day**

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A woman who left her household rubbish on the opposite side of the road in an attempt to avoid waiting two weeks for it to be collected has been hit with a £270 fine for fly-tipping. Ivana Klusackova, a mother of five, put out three refuse sacks on the pavement across the street from her home to coincide with her neighbours' collection day.

5 But the 36-year-old was hauled before magistrates after she was identified as the owner of the rubbish when council officials ripped open the bags and found an envelope addressed to her.

10 The case was brought by Stoke-on-Trent City Council under powers to tackle fly-tipping, which is an offence that some local authorities use to classify cases of household waste being put out at the wrong time.

Klusackova, of Normacot, Stoke-on-Trent, admitted depositing controlled waste without an environmental permit at North Staffordshire Justice Centre. She was fined £270 and given a 12-month conditional discharge on Monday.

15 Speaking after the ruling, Klusackova's neighbours accused the council of having a heavy-handed response.

Neighbour Lesley Powell, 53, said: "This is a bit of a sledgehammer response. Are we going to get fines next for putting rubbish in someone else's bin when it is not full?"

Another neighbour, 19-year-old Daniel Farooq, said: "I'm disgusted and embarrassed and she shouldn't have been taken to court for that."

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2016/11/22/mothers-270-fly-tipping-fine-putting-rubbish-wrong-day-outside/>

## **Document 2:**

Ivana Klusackova dumped this rubbish in Normacot, Stoke-on-Trent

