

# Case Study



## Highlands Council

### Repelling Seagulls for the Highland Council

The Highland Council area in the Scottish Highlands is the largest local government area in the United Kingdom and the seventh most populous.

With some 4,905 kilometres of coastline it's unsurprising to learn that the area has more than its fair share of seagull visits. In some populated areas these seagulls had become a problem to the Council. In search of food they regularly removed the contents of small waste/litter bins, scattering garbage far and wide.

In addition to being an eyesore, and a potential health and safety hazard the litter was time consuming to clear up and became almost a never-ending task.

Amenities Manager Debbie Sutton sought help from Leaffield Environmental to remedy the situation. Having had previous dealings with Leaffield Environmental, Debbie was confident in ordering Pioneer litterbins in black with gold banding. With front and rear apertures, each protected by a seagull flap, these extremely durable bins will give many years of useful service.

"Leaffield provide a cost effective solution to problems... and provide high quality products," commented Debbie. "They offer a wide range that can be customised to suit the environment where they are to be used."

The outcome is that the council has seen a reduction in man hours needed to tidy up the strewn litter and the larger capacity bins require less frequent emptying... savings all round.

