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DUSTMAN TARZEN.

Frank Gunnell of Worcester believes a dustman's - I beg your pardon, a refuse collector's job - isn't so dusty is you keep fit, by getting away from the dump when the day's over and filling your lungs with fresh air. And you don't find fresh air, says Frank, in a street full of houses.

So Frank Gunnell built his own house on the banks of the River Tone - and he built it in a tree. It's only four feet wide by six feet long but he's lived in it for 27 of his 45 years - and he wouldn't swap it for a Palace.

It's only a few yards from the house to the river - and in case you think Frank is a hermit who's cut himself off from humanity, you might like to know that in those 27 years he's saved 14 lives along the stretch of water, and has just received his second award from the Royal Humane Society.

"This is my happiness" says Frank. "Can you blame me for never wanting to leave it?"