

Policy & Resources Committee

Date:	12 February 2019
Title:	Graffiti Removal Policy
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Purpose of Report

1. To provide the background to a review of the Graffiti Removal Policy.

Background

2. The Graffiti Removal Policy (Appendix 1) and the related Thame Skatepark Project: Graffiti Policy (Appendix 2) were last reviewed in 2015.
3. The Council is committed to maintaining a safe and clean environment which will help improve the quality of life for all those who live, work in and visit Thame.
4. There is no need for any change identified.

Resource Appraisal

5. The Maintenance Team will wherever possible undertake the removal of graffiti with suitable materials. Contractors will be engaged for removal of graffiti when specialist equipment and materials are required.

Risk Assessment

6. If graffiti is not removed promptly and regularly the rate of which further graffiti is added is likely to increase. Regular response to outbreaks of graffiti is important and the policy has been written to reflect the reaction by the Council to remove the negative impact on the local environment.

Legal Powers: General Power of Competence, Localism Act 2011.

Recommendation

It is recommended that:

- i) The unchanged Graffiti Removal Policy be re-adopted.***