

## Tetsworth Parish Council – Graffiti Removal Policy V 1.0

14<sup>th</sup> March 2022

1. The Council will arrange for the removal of graffiti from Council owned Land and Property.
2. Graffiti clearance will be prioritised based on its severity and removed at a time agreed by the Council.
3. The Council will engage non-specified third-party specialist contractors to carry out the removal or obliteration of graffiti.
4. Whether we select removal or obliteration will depend on the type of surface that the graffiti is on:
  - For brick, stonework, metal and glass, we will use appropriate chemicals and/or washing with water (including hot water under pressure) to remove the graffiti.
  - For painted surfaces, we will use the closest match from one of a small range of standard paint colours to obliterate the graffiti. This will not include covering the entire surface.
  - For wooden fences, we will use one of a small number of standard paint colours to cover the graffiti, on the panels affected only.
5. Limits. Circumstances when the council will not remove graffiti:
  - Graffiti that is etched or inscribed into any surface;
6. Removal of graffiti on private property or business premises remains the responsibility of the property owner.