

COUNCIL POLICY EN308

GRAFFITI ERADICATION

KEY FOCUS AREA ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Purpose

This policy establishes the principles for the Town of Claremont in relation to the removal of graffiti from commercial and residential properties viewable from the public domain.

Statement

Unsightly graffiti is a concern and a major issue within the community. The Town wishes to engage the community and businesses regarding graffiti prevention management strategies. The Town's commitment is to create an attractive environment and a strong sense of neighborhood pride by preserving a graffiti-free environment within the municipality. The Town is committed to efficient and the timely removal of graffiti to detract the perpetrators sense of fame and achievement. Also to discourage further acts of graffiti and vandalism by the same and other potential perpetrators Graffiti is a crime and ultimately enforced by WA Police. The Town will contribute to the prevention of graffiti by providing data to the Office of Crime Prevention's Goodbye Graffiti initiative to assist with the identification and prosecution of offenders.

Policy

The Town will endeavor to remove any reported graffiti from public property which is visible from the public realm within five (5) working days of the complaint being received.

The removal of graffiti from private property will be considered and may be dependent on;

- Access to the property;
- Occupation and Safety (Working at Height) requirements;
- Nature and type of graffiti;
- Visibility of the graffiti from the public thoroughfare impacting on the amenity of an area; and
- Due to the different paint colour's that are being used on buildings and front fences, the 10 main colour bond colour's to be used to remove the graffiti and it will be the property owners responsibility to paint over the blacken out area.

All graffiti on private property must be reported to the police by contacting the State Graffiti Hotline and obtaining a police report number. The offence report number must be quoted to the Town when requesting graffiti removal.

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