

<b>POS</b>	<b>GRAFFITI &amp; VANDALISM RESPONSE – COUNCIL PROPERTY</b>	<b>PSEW10</b>
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<b>POSITION STATEMENT CODE:</b>	PSEW10
<b>DIRECTORATE:</b>	Engineering & Works
<b>BUSINESS UNIT:</b>	Engineering Department
<b>SERVICE UNIT:</b>	Roads Services
<b>RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:</b>	Manager, Engineering
<b>FILE NO.:</b>	182/002
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**BACKGROUND:**

The Community Needs Survey 2000 identified vandalism and graffiti, particularly of public property, as one of the major issues of concern within the community. Currently Council addresses such issues as they are identified and reported to the extent that available resources allow.

**PURPOSE:**

To provide a process by which vandalism of and the removal of graffiti from Council property can be adequately and uniformly addressed in order for Council to demonstrate its commitment to creating an attractive environment.

For the purposes of this Statement “Council Property” refers to all property which is owned or managed by Council. “Council Property” refers to structures or equipment which is the exclusive responsibility of Council to maintain.

**POSITION:**

- (1) Graffiti of an offensive nature will be removed from all Council property within one (1) working day of notice being provided to Council, if possible;
- (2) Graffiti of a non offensive nature will be removed from all Council property within three (3) working days of notice being provided to Council, if possible;

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- (3) Vandal damage to Council property which prevents the equipment from functioning will be made safe and/or repaired within one (1) working day of notice being provided to Council, if possible;
- (4) Vandal damage to Council property of a minor nature will be repaired within five (5) working days of being notified to Council, if possible;
- (5) Council will provide a Graffiti/Vandalism “hotline” number for the public reporting of incidents of vandalism and graffiti to Council and public property;
- (6) All cases of graffiti and property damage made known to Council will be reported to the Police, through an established administrative process. This will enable Police Department records to be continually updated and susceptible areas targeted for Police response. This reporting process will involve the photography of all graffiti prior to its removal, as evidence for the Police.
- (7) Council’s Road Services Budget will provide funds to remove graffiti from surfaces as deemed necessary.