

Policy P401 Graffiti Management

Strategic Direction	Environment (Build and Natural)
Responsible Business Unit/s	Waste Fleet & Facilities; Community, Culture & Recreation
Responsible Officer	Manager Waste Fleet & Facilities; Manager Community, Culture & Recreation
Affected Business Unit/s	Waste Fleet & Facilities; Community, Culture & Recreation

Policy Objectives

The City of South Perth (the City) recognises that graffiti vandalism is a costly community problem, not only in monetary terms, but also in environmental and social terms.

Policy Scope

This policy is relevant to the Waste Fleet & Facilities Business Unit; Community, Culture & Recreation Business Unit, the wider community and property owners within the City of South Perth.

Policy Statement

In an effort to reduce the effects of graffiti in the community the City acknowledges there are six (6) elements in the management of graffiti vandalism:

- Communication
- Deterrents
- Reporting
- Removal
- Networking
- Early Intervention

The City will clean, remove, or cover all graffiti on City buildings, fences and structures, including but not limited to parks, reserves, public access ways and road reserves. The City only removes graffiti on private property if it is safe to do so and if the graffiti is external and visible to the public. The City does not provide a graffiti removal service on internal private premises.

Where the graffiti is on a structure that is on a boundary of a road reserve, the City will require the adjacent shared boundary landowner whether it is private property or a reserve under the control of another authority, to sign a Liability Waiver for Graffiti Removal Form. In this circumstance, the City will require the adjacent landowner to indemnify the City against all actions, claims, damages, costs, and expenses whatsoever resulting from the removal.

The City does not provide graffiti removal service on Western Power, Main Roads or Department of Transport assets.

The City will promote the graffiti removal service and disseminate information throughout the community including schools on the various issues surrounding graffiti and its criminality.

The City will work with agencies and other stakeholders to promote and develop a range of affordable, accessible, and relevant community programs, services and activities within the community to target the above causes of illegal graffiti, with the aim to minimise graffiti. These initiatives may include urban art/mural projects, community development projects and youth development projects and early intervention programs.

Legislation / Local Law Requirements

Nil.

Other Relevant Policies / Key Documents

City of South Perth Strategic Community Plan 2021-2031

City of South Perth Public Art Masterplan