

## Graffiti removal, Long Eaton

In partnership with the Police Long Eaton neighbourhoods team, offenders have been engaged in the removal of graffiti from Long Eaton town centre and anti-social hot spots, including in surrounding villages.

We use a harmless chemical removal spray. This is very effective on brickwork, but on porous areas such as wood or concrete, other methods are needed. We are using a selection of dark paints on wood, to mask the graffiti, or grey masonry paint on concrete. Reaction from local residents has been very good with expressions of gratitude to the team and a positive reaction to the offenders' unpaid work efforts.

Funding for materials has come from the Police, council and local shops (paint donations etc via the Safer Neighbourhoods team).

The offenders have taken a pride in doing the jobs well and in what they have achieved for the communities.

