
From Vandalism to Vibrancy

An update from Sheffield BID
May 2025

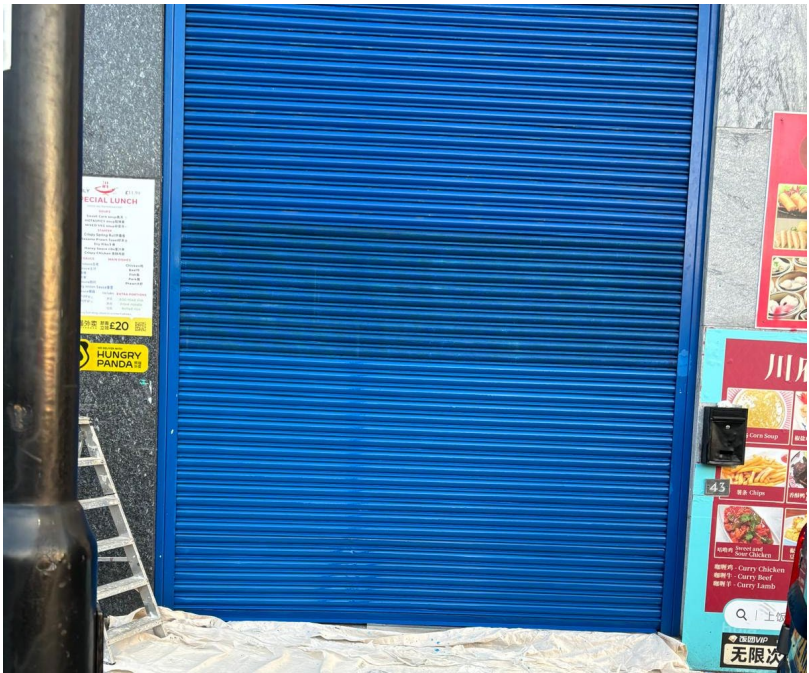
Since we launched our campaign in November 2024, over 465 jobs have been logged. The majority of these incidents have been reported through the local authority's crime app.

'A job' can take several hours (or days) to remove multiple tags spanning significant areas.

73% of reports have been addressed including the clean up of 20+ hot spots blighting our city centre!

We are making progress daily ...









Ahead of the World Snooker

Our teams worked
diligently alongside
other partners to give
Chapel Walk some
much-needed TLC.



Retagging occurrences remain at 11.7%.

Other partners in the mix: Amey – highway infrastructure; Sheffield City Council – public realm; Local Area Committee – working with Restorative Justice; South Yorkshire Police.

Working with Crimestoppers to ...



54% of the current graffiti identified is thought to be linked to **5 prolific** taggers with one of these individuals responsible for over 17% of the vandalism (although their monikers may be shared). 97% of graffiti can be attributed to no more than 29 taggers in total!

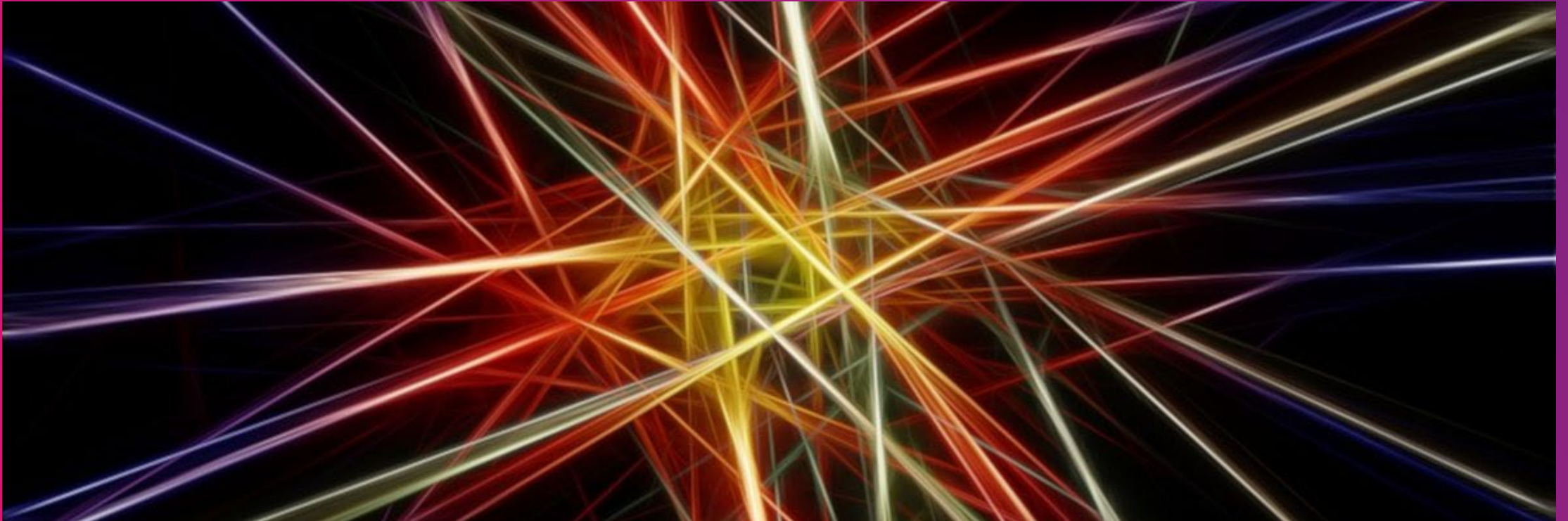
We are advocating for support measures that **hold offenders accountable**, including financial restitution for damages.

Cllr Ben Miskell recently joined us in supporting our efforts, bringing additional visibility and advocacy to our campaign



New laser technology is a step closer

Partnering with a Sheffield-based technology company, pilot cleaning of test sites is underway using state-of-the-art laser technology. This eco-friendly, cost-efficient, and highly precise method reduces chemical waste, lowers maintenance costs, and enhances operator and public safety. If successful, this initiative will be a significant advancement in our field.





Street art

Emerging artists are working with local businesses to add a touch of colour, and reduce vandalism

The BID is working on introducing a legal wall for graffiti artists at Grinders Hill



We are grateful for the support of local businesses. Volunteer days make a big difference

Introducing a new BID team member

In March 2025 Gareth Lowe joined us as Operations Manager



Sheffield BID remains committed to fostering a vibrant city centre culture where street art is celebrated responsibly. The "Vandalism to Vibrancy" campaign is a testament to the BID's dedication to creating a safer, cleaner, and more welcoming environment for everyone.





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