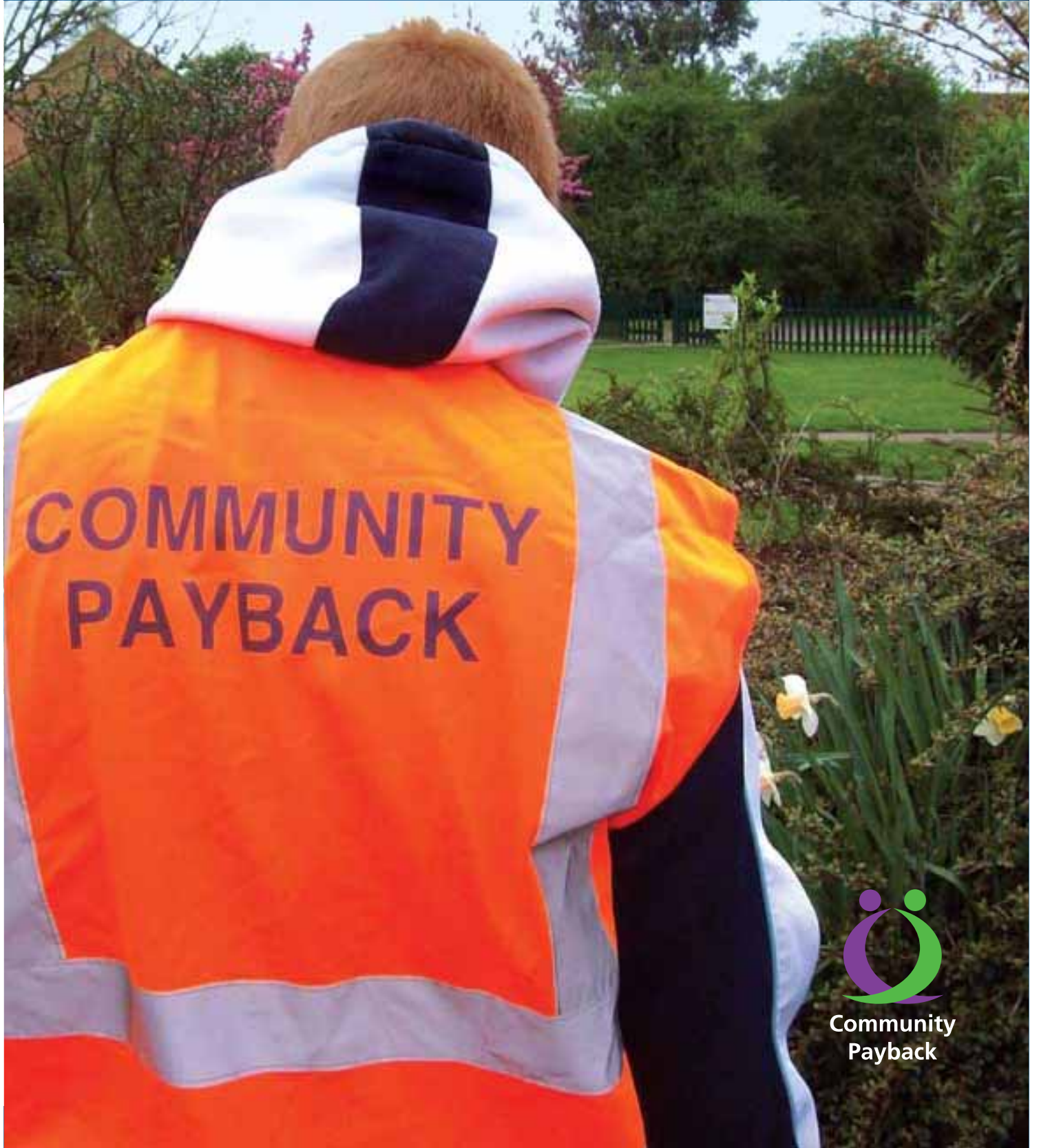


# COMMUNITY PAYBACK

Justice Seen, Justice Done



Community  
Payback

**Community Payback is a punishment option that offers a lasting benefit to you and your community. It combines strong punishment, usually unpaid manual labour, with changing offenders' behaviour and making amends to the community.**

Almost 300,000 hours a year of unpaid work is given back to Thames Valley communities like yours through Community Payback. It allows local people to have their say on how offenders should make amends for the harm they have caused.

Community Payback is a very literal repaying of an offender's debt to society, which has a highly visible benefit to the local community and helps the offender develop new skills.



Offenders subject to an unpaid work requirement carry out almost

300,000

## What is involved in Community Payback?

Community Payback is delivered by Thames Valley Probation, most often in partnership with Thames Valley Police and local councils. It is the most visible of the 12 requirements that make up a Community Order and offenders carry out between 40 and 300 hours within 12 months. It is compulsory, strictly enforced and closely supervised. Those who fail to comply with it are returned to court.

Offenders wear highly visible orange vests which say 'Community Payback'. Offenders must be suitable for the type of project they're assigned to and they are carefully assessed before and during any project.

**The protection and safety of the public is the number one priority.**

## What benefits are there for you?

Part of Community Payback is that you can suggest suitable projects for offenders to work on. These have included:

- Graffiti removal
- Refurbishing parks, playgrounds and leisure/sports facilities
- Painting and decorating in community centres, faith and charity buildings
- Environmental projects
- Conservation projects
- Cutting and clearing overgrown foliage
- Clearing rubbish from land and alleyways
- Landscaping and planting.



Community Payback projects benefit everyone including local schools, faith groups, churches, charities and community organisations. Anyone can nominate a project that benefits the local community. If you think you have a suitable project, get in contact with us. Call your local Community Payback team on 01869 328500 for Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire or 01189 560466 for Berkshire, or read more about it and fill in the work request form online at [www.thamesvalleyprobation.gov.uk](http://www.thamesvalleyprobation.gov.uk)

hours of free work for Thames Valley communities each year.

We call the work **Community Payback.**

# Community Payback Projects:

## Vlking House, Oxford

Offenders worked alongside volunteers to clear the overgrown gardens and create a safe, welcoming outside space at this respite care centre for children with moderate to severe learning disabilities.



Before the project started



The finished project

## Milton Keynes Hospital Garden



Before the project started



The finished project

Groups of offenders on Community Payback spent nine months clearing and helping artists create two beautiful courtyard gardens for patients, visitors and staff to enjoy.

Contact your Community Payback team:  
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