

Community Remedy

Community Remedy derived from a public consultation in 2012-2013 run by the Home Office. After receiving support from a majority of respondents, the idea of Community Remedy became a key element of the [Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014](#).

What is Community Remedy?

The aim of Community Remedy is to give victims of low-level crime and ASB a greater say in how offenders should be dealt with by the police. The suitability of the options will depend on the nature of the offence, the age of the offender and the circumstances of the situation.

When is the Community Remedy suitable?

The Community Remedy can be used when an offender admits to their part in the incident or crime and is willing to be dealt with by either community resolution or conditional caution. The offence type and the offender's previous history must be suitable and this is the decision of the police officer who deals with your incident.

Both community resolution and conditional cautions are out of court disposals where an offender can agree to certain conditions to repair the harm caused and/or prevent any future offending. A community resolution is an informal agreement between victim and offender and the agreed conditions are not enforceable by the police. A conditional caution is a formal out of court disposal where failure to



I am a victim, how do I have my say?

You will be asked your opinion on which options, from the Community Remedy, you think would be most appropriate to the offender in your incident.

The police officer dealing with your incident will make the final decision as to what is appropriate ensuring it is proportionate to the offence committed and will have a positive impact for you, as the victim, and the offender.

Community Remedy options

The list below is the Community Remedy options currently available in Thames Valley. The officer dealing with your incident will be able to give you further details, including availability in your area.

- **Advice or warning given by officer**
- **Personal or written apology**
- **The offender signing an Acceptable Behaviour Contract**
- **Reparation: repairing or paying for the damage or loss**
- **Local project or initiative**

