



THE BESOM in Taunton

sweep away suffering

PROJECT No. 256 GARDENING IN TAUNTON



We were welcomed by the recipient at the house at 10:00 who stated that they could not believe that someone was going to clear their garden for them. The recipient kept coming out and restating that they could not believe that we were actually clearing the garden.

The large rear garden was well overgrown with brambles over 6 feet tall. Also the remains of a tree that a previous neighbour had cut down in their garden had been thrown into the recipient's garden. With only 4 people it looked an impossible task. On top of this the front garden was also in need of some action with the hedge obviously not cut for a number of years and the grass being too high for a mower to cut. The front garden was also larger than average as the house was situated on a corner plot.

As the day progressed we managed to clear the rear garden of all brambles and pieces of tree. The team work constantly stopping for a cup of tea and an ice-cream.

We were in a position to start on the front garden around 13:00 with one person undertaking to cut the hedge (top and both sides) to try and get it to look like a hedge. Two other cleared the garden waste generated during to the front verge where it was piled up for the council to remove. The 4th member of the team tackled the grass on the smaller side of the front garden. Two members had to leave around 14:30 (prior engagement) leaving 2 to carry out the final clearing up. This resulted in a pile of garden waste about 5 feet tall and 12 feet in length ready for the council to collect.

