



# THE BESOM in Taunton

sweep away suffering

## PROJECT No. 280 GARDENING IN WELLINGTON



Besom had received a request from Wellington Estates Office to provide help with clearing an overgrown garden, so on a Saturday morning in September six timegivers, from several churches in Taunton, arrived to start work clearing and tidying.

The lady for whom the project was being actioned met us and provided us with electricity via extension leads; she also gave us two large "Hippo" bags for the garden waste, which was a great help. At just the right time she also provided us with

coffee and biscuits for the mid morning break, which was very much appreciated by everyone!



The garden was overgrown with brambles, shrubs

and trees. The task was tackled with plenty of energy to start with, but the removing and bagging up of the brambles and trees presented quite a challenge. However the hedge, which had encroached onto half the pedestrian path, was finally trimmed to a reasonable size in width both from inside and outside the garden and the height was dramatically reduced. The grass was also cut, with the edge next to the public footpath being trimmed and the overgrown grass removed.



There was a lot of tidying up of cuttings to be done and eventually we managed to fill more "Hippo" bags with brambles and trimmings, making a grand total of nine "Hippo" bags being filled with garden waste!



We all went away at the end of the day tired, but happy in the knowledge that the recipient was very grateful for the difference we had been able to make.