

4. Now you can Strip the Donor vehicle

Start by stripping out the inside of the vehicle take care in the removal of the wiring harness, switches and dials if you wish to reuse this in the Tempest.

For safety, remove all combustible materials, carpets, seats etc particularly if you are using a grinder

Unbolt the steering assembly, brake/ clutch pedal assembly and retain them for reuse.

Take your time checking over the components and refurbishing them as required.

The engine and box needs removing anyway as they have to be repositioned some 8" rearwards and 3" lower using the sub frames provided in the kit.

It's a good idea to give the engine and clutch a good once over as our experience with most of the donor vehicles found is that a poor level of maintenance is usually apparent. Its also good fun and a useful experience to work on such a lightweight and simple engine.

Most parts are available to recondition engines as are a lot of tuning parts.

The following parts need to be sent to us for modification

1. Prop shaft- this needs to be shortened
2. Brake, clutch and accelerator pedals
3. Lower steering column

We have found that the best way to remove the body is to first cut off the roof to make access easier. Take out all the glass and either hack saw or grind through the pillars - the middle pillars have a strong steel tube inside them to about 3" above the upper seat belt mountings so either cut above or use a sharp metal blade in the hacksaw!

To unbolt the body we start at the back and either unbolt or grind the heads off the bolts holding the body to the chassis: -

- 4 bolts are in the load area,
- Bolts either side attaching the seat belt base anchorages
- Inner seat belt mountings
- Seat runners attach through to the chassis
- 2 outriggers beneath the door leading edges