

Area Committee Well Being Fund – Project Proposal
Inner West Area Committee

Appendix 5

Project Name: Wellington Mount and Terrace Alleygating project.

Lead Organisation: Community Safety

Project Summary:

The local residents of Wellington Mount and Wellington Terrace contacted Community Safety, the police, ward members and their local MP because of long-standing issues of Crime and Anti-social behaviour associated with a ginnel which leads between the end of Wellington Terrace and Wellington Mount in Bramley. The residents have asked for the back ginnel to be gated to prevent the ginnel being used for ASB and as an escape route from incidents of crime. The local residents have reported incidents to the police and have suffered from vandalism to their property, burglary, damage to their vehicles and nuisance /ASB. Evidence of substance misused with drug related paraphernalia has also being found in the ginnel.

Below are the crime figures for the 2 streets, which are relatively high for a small number of houses.

Wellington Terrace

There have been 26 offences reported on Wellington Terrace, Bramley over the last 3 years:

Offence Description	Number of Offences
Damage to Motor Vehicle	7
Theft from Motor Vehicle	4
Interference With Motor Vehicle	3
Theft – Non Specific	2
Burglary Dwelling	2
Damage to Dwelling	2
S47 Assault	2
Robbery of Personal Property	1
Theft of Motor Vehicle	1
Damage Property – Non Specific	1
Arson	1

Incidents

There is just one Anti Social Behaviour incident relating to Wellington Terrace reported during the period 01/09/06 – 13/02/07. The incident recorded as Loutish Behaviour was reported on 10/10/06 involving a group of youths throwing stones at a window.

Wellington Mount

There have been 16 offences reported on Wellington Mount, Bramley over the last 3 years:

Offence Description	Number of Offences
Theft from Motor Vehicle	6
Theft – Non Specific	2
Burglary Dwelling	2
Damage to Motor Vehicle	1
Interference With Motor Vehicle	1
Damage to Dwelling	1
Racially/Religiously Aggravated S4A	1
Damage Property – Non Specific	1
TWOC	1

An investigation has taken place to establish the status of this ginnel and I have been informed by Leeds City Council Rights Of Way Officer that this ginnel is not a public Right of Way. I have also spoken to the Highway Section who have informed me that the ginnel has been adopted, therefore the general public do have right of access to the ginnel. The ginnel only provides a minor short cut for people living on Wellington Mount and Wellington Terrace as this ginnel was in place to service the coal chutes which are now obsolete. There is an alternative route which the public can take without adding on any extra time.

The local residents have been consulted and all but 1 respondent supported the gating of this area. The police, local ward members and community safety also support the gating of the ginnel.

Currently a report is being prepared to take to the open access forum for approval which meets in February 2008. If approval is given their, then the report goes to the Highways Joint Technical Board for approval.

Outcomes (please summarise the main outcome / output / benefit the project will achieve):

The proposals are to install 4 Pedestrian gates and 12 metres of railings. The railings will be from the end of each gate and cut across through the shrubbery up to the palisade fence which exists. All residents will be provided with access keys. The keys system is used throughout schemes in Leeds as this provides the best security. One key can be used to lock all of the 4 gates. This will mean that the only people who will have access to the ginnel are the local residents who live there. This will greatly reduce the opportunity for crime and anti-social behaviour to occur at this location. Keys will be provided for the utilities companies and City Services so access can be gained by these services as and when required.

Project Cost (please indicate how much the project will cost, how much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue):

The cost for purchasing and the erecting of railings and 4 gates to the access points, is **£ 4,780.00 + vat**

Community Safety have agreed to fund over 50% of the costs

Total amount requested from Inner West Area Committee - **£2,000.00** Capital

Identify which geographic areas will benefit and which Area Committee (Inner or Outer) you are applying to: Inner West Bramley

State who will receive the funding for this project:

Brent Brady Leeds City Council
Alleygating co-ordinator
Community Safety
Leeming House.

