

Project Name: Aston Drive Ginnel Closure
Amount Applied for: Three options, see below

Lead Organisation: Community Safety

Project Summary:

This project offers a range of options to address anti-social behaviour and fly tipping around a ginnel behind Aston Drive in Armley Ward.

In May 2008, following complaints from residents, officers from Community Safety investigated a proposal to close a 100m section of the ginnel where there had been problems with discarded syringes, fires, youth nuisance, fly tipping and damage to fences. Neighbouring residents were consulted, and there was found to be insufficient support for closing the ginnel due to the numbers of objections received.

Over the years, similar problems have continued, and in September this year, local residents contacted Ward Members to re-visit the request for a closure of the ginnel from 3b Aston Drive to the entrance behind 35 Aston Drive. This would allow the access from Raynville Primary school to 35 Aston Drive and through to Kings Approach to remain open.

If approval were to be given to close this section of the ginnel, residents living behind the open section, from the school access point to Kings Approach, have indicated they would strongly object as they are concerned the anti-social behaviour would be shifted towards their properties. To mitigate this, they have asked that steel fencing be erected along the ginnel and improved motorbike restrictors be installed at the Kings Approach entrance.

Residents of Aston Terrace have also made a number of complaints regarding the ginnel behind Aston Mount (which is a continuation of the one above). Whilst residents have complained to Ward Members and there is evidence of litter and criminal damage, there are not the same number of police reports as the Aston Drive section, so a closure order may be more difficult to obtain.

Project Delivery

The project would be delivered through Community Safety with support from the Inner West Neighbourhood Police Team

Outcomes

Reduce incidents of Anti- social Behaviour on a section of a ginnel behind Raynville Primary School.
Reduce incidents of criminal damage and secondary fires in this section of the ginnel

Ward / Neighbourhood:

Armley Ward

Project Cost & Financial Breakdown

Option 1 King Approach to Aston Drive Ginnel

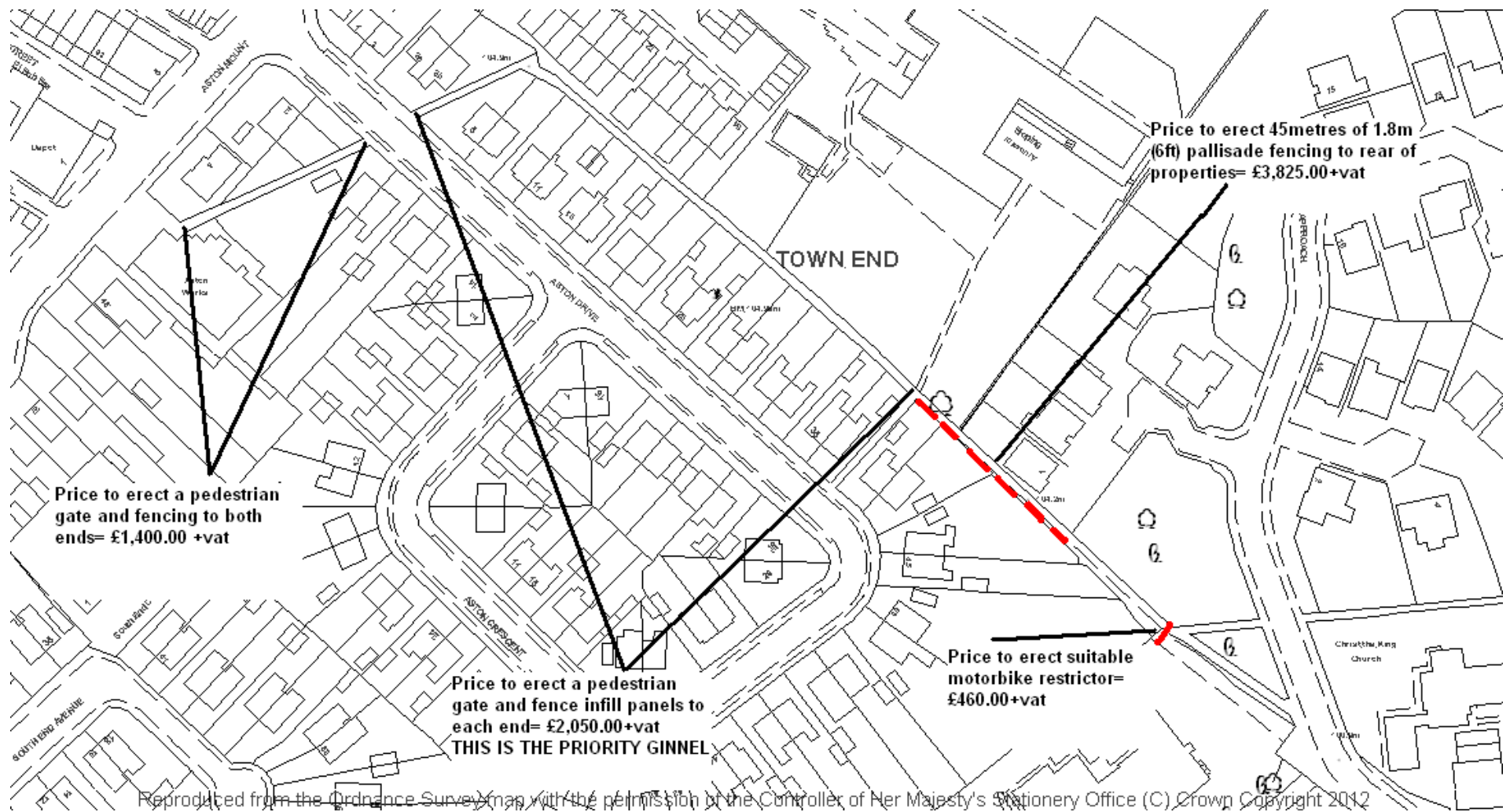
The first option with the higher priority given crime and ASB data is to close the section just beyond the school gate which would cost **£2,050, plus cost for keys and planning approx £300 . Total £2,350**

Additional Costs ; In order to try and satisfy the concerns of residents and gain their support for a gating order (as they believe this would cause additional issues at the rear of their property with an increase of footfall should a section be gated) asked us to cost up an improved bike restrictor at the King Approach section – **cost £460** and also fencing to the rear of their properties **cost £3,825 Total £4,285**

Option 2 Aston Terrace Ginnel The second ginnel which is further on Aston Terrace (which does have some issues but does not have high crime data , but does suffer from some grime and ASB issues) the cost of this would be **£1,400 plus planning and keys approx £300. Total £1,700**

If the Area committee supported the full project the total cost would be £ 8,335.00

A map outlining the proposals is included below.



Price to erect a pedestrian gate and fencing to both ends= £1,400.00 +vat

Price to erect a pedestrian gate and fence infill panels to each end= £2,050.00+vat
THIS IS THE PRIORITY GINNEL

Price to erect 45metres of 1.8m (6ft) pallisade fencing to rear of properties= £3,825.00+vat

Price to erect suitable motorbike restrictor= £460.00+vat

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