

scrutiny

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Alley Gating Regeneration and Neighbourhoods Overview and Scrutiny Committee

1. Recommendations

1. That the Committee supports the Executive Members 7 recommendations for the continuation of the Alley gating scheme for existing applications up to 2017, subject to a change to the Executives recommendation number 2 so that it reads as outline below;
 1. No more applications would be accepted for alley gates.
 2. Alley gates have had a limited impact on crime and anti-social behaviour and have potentially shifted problems elsewhere, it is felt that Alley gates are not a default solution to neighbourhood ASB and crime issues but could help in certain circumstances.
 3. An application to the capital programme would be made for a 2 year £100k per annum programme to complete the highest need schemes in the borough of those that have already applied to run from April 2015.
 4. Residents would pay for keys (£10.00) as a contribution to the scheme, all residents must agree as a pre-requisite to the scheme being implemented.
 5. Ward Councillors would be required to complete the statutory consultation and agree resident sign up to the £10 contribution.
 6. The alley gating programme would be tendered with a view to securing a contractor that is both cost effective and supportive of local training and employment opportunities for young people.
 7. A scheme would be set up to offer advice and guidance to residents and landlords who wish to self-finance their own schemes.
2. That the Executive Member look to identify additional cost saving measures for the medium to long term maintenance of the Boroughs Alley gates.
3. That where possible the portfolio considers for all its consultations on applications for Alley gates that they be conducted digitally to avoid paying publication fee's.
4. That Officers examine the options available to get the most cost effective price for gates/installation to help further reduce the cost of the scheme.

5. That the Executive Member explore the possibility of receiving a financial contribution from partners agencies for the installation of a gate, where a clear benefit to the partner can be identified.

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