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Scrutiny Review of Alley Gates

Summary

The second evidence-gathering session for the Committee's review of Alley Gates will consider information from Cleveland Police.

Detail

1. Previously identified as a key contributor towards the Committee's ongoing review of Alley Gates, Cleveland Police was asked to provide a response to the following:
 - *The force's awareness / experience of this community safety measure*
 - *Benefits / challenges created (e.g. access) through the use of alley gates*
 - *Potential impact on these localities if existing alley gates are removed*
 - *Any viable alternatives to alley gates (which may be more cost-effective)*
 - *Any other views relating to this scrutiny topic from a police perspective*
2. A paper containing views on the above is included within these meeting papers. Cleveland Police representatives are scheduled to be in attendance to provide an overview of the submission and respond to any comments / questions.
3. In advance of this session, Members may again wish to familiarise themselves with some relevant background material in relation to this scrutiny topic::
 - College of Policing: Alley Gating
<https://www.college.police.uk/research/crime-reduction-toolkit/alley-gating>
 - Stockton-on-Tees: Alley Gates
<https://www.stockton.gov.uk/alley-gates>
4. A copy of the agreed scope and plan for this review is included for information.

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