

## Annex 5 Curzon Terrace Alleyways Formal Consultation Responses

Albemarle Road			<p>Following the letter from the Council, dated 18/11/15, I am raising an objection to the proposed order. My objection relates to the suggested site of gate A, as this excludes my property from the benefits of the above. The local authority has identified that certain antisocial activities have a detrimental effect on people's lives and are likely to be of a persistent and continuing nature. The local authority appears keen to protect the people living in my neighbourhood, I wish to be one of those people. I don't understand why my property is to be excluded from this proposed scheme. I am a single woman living alone and this proposal makes me feel frightened, anxious and excluded from the benefits my neighbours will reap. In fact the suggested site of gate A is just before my back gate, leading me to believe that all of the activities will continue to happen repeatedly, except instead of using the length of the alleyway, these 'offenders' will focus on the only area available - this happens to be right outside my back gate. I simply do not find this acceptable. I am a hard working citizen working for the local authority as a social worker and as an employee of CYC it is very clear to me that this is an example of inequality. I am paying exactly the same council tax as the other people in the street but I am not being afforded the same benefits and security. On race days, the Police normally put some tape at the beginning of the alleyway, to prevent such anti-social behaviour as mentioned. They do not set it as far back as you have deemed appropriate to place gate A. What will happen on race days now? Will I need to sell my property and buy an alternative; one that does have security gates on the back alley? If that is the only solution, will potential house buyers be put off by the fact that the alleyway right outside my property continues to be subject to dog fouling, fly tipping, drug use and urination? I wouldn't want to buy a property that was subject to such behaviour right outside. Therefore, is this likely to affect the value of my property? Again, I do not think this is particularly fair. I met with a ROW officer earlier this year to discuss my concerns. In a letter of 18/11/15, a ROW officer mentioned that the gate cannot be built nearer the beginning of the alleyway because of low walls. However, when I met the ROW officer it was agreed that the council may be able to build walls to facilitate this, albeit at a greater cost to the council. To put it simply, I want the same protection as everyone else. If my objection is not taken seriously then I will escalate this further as my safety is something I feel extremely strongly about. I have also copied my MP into this letter.</p>
Curzon Terrace			<p>Dear sir or madam i would like to know who says there is a crime and anti social behaviour problem in this area i do not believe these gates are needed they will make the area look like there is a crime problem which i have yet to see the alleyway will become a dumping ground and become over grown with weeds. where i used to live they did the same thing the alleyways stopped being used and became infested with vermin and made easy access for burglars and drug takers who once in the gated area have run of all the houses without being seen. also you find that the numbers to the gate get given to everyone so why bother putting them up in the first place. I know this because when i was a teenager we used to get into these areas and i have had jobs to clear out all the rubbish cut the growth back to return them to their original use . If the council has spare money they should get the street lights working near the pub that have been out of light for over two years and unblock the road gully,s to help stop the road flooding Being open planned like it is , is what makes york so appealing to visitors and locals putting gates will only lower the tone of the area making york look like it crime ridden like other cities</p>
Curzon Terrace			<p>I am resident of Curzon Terrace and am very much pro the gating taking place. I am, like other residents in the area, anxious that we have the best possible outcome for the waste collections. I would come to a meeting should one take place.</p>
Curzon Terrace			<p>I am just writing to say I am against having our back alley gated. I have not seen any trouble and I think it would be really inconvenient. I use the back alley a lot for people leaving deliveries and as a way of letting trades people in when we are out at work. I also cycle every day and it would be annoying when I have just got going to have to get off and put in a code, especially in the winter.</p>

Curzon Terrace		<p>Further to our conversation today, as a property owner on Curzon Terrace, I hereby formally object to the proposed gating of the alleyway in between Curzon Terrace and Albemarle Road. My main objection to the alley being gated is because of the change to waste collection from the rear alleyway behind each house, to the street outside each house. There are many reasons why this is completely unacceptable as listed below: - In the summer, due to fortnightly collections, rubbish is often riddled with maggots (it should be weekly in the summer to avoid this), so could not be carried through the house due to it being a major health hazard - On wet days, rubbish is soaking wet and dripping, so could not be carried through the house, as it would be a health hazard to do so. This would be even worse in winter, when rubbish has to be taken out in the dark - Most houses will have 2 - 5 large black bin bags of rubbish each fortnight and if you happen to be away on rubbish collection day, or occasionally forget, then there would be double the amount next time to somehow transport to the front of your house- As rubbish can't safely be carried through the house without creating a health hazard, that means all residents would need to walk round the block, potentially numerous times, with heavy bags of rubbish, come rain or shine, in daylight and darkness, with it possibly riddled with maggots and dripping with rubbish infested water - another health hazard? - When it's dark in winter, as the alleyway is cobbled, uneven and potentially slippery, it is unsafe to walk along it carrying heavy bags of rubbish, so another major health hazard - The pavements on Curzon Terrace and Albemarle Road would be totally covered in rubbish bags on collection day, in some cases blocking the pavements - Some rubbish bags may split or be attacked by cats and spill rubbish onto the streets, as is commonly the case on the back alley, so this is another health hazard - The people who collect the rubbish will struggle more with access, due to cars in the way on the narrow streets and they may have to carry bags of rubbish over cars where parking is busy, which would be another issue if bags ever burst - The streets would be completely blocked by the bin van during collection times - Do the council think it is fair and is the council advocating that elderly residents should transport their rubbish as listed above? I put it to the council that this is completely unacceptable and that it would be a step back by two generations to how rubbish is collected in modern day society. Further reasons for my objection: -The back alleyway would only be cleaned on a "reactive maintenance" basis were it to be gated, as you explained to me. This would no doubt result in the alleyway becoming unclean and overgrown in parts. - The passcode would be known by so many people locally, especially with the regular changes in tenants to rented properties, and throughout the council, that it is unlikely that it would remain 'secure' anyway. And while we are on the subject of waste, I believe that recycling collections should be moved to the back alleyway too as there are always recycling boxes blocking the pavements and spilled recycling blowing around street on Curzon Terrace.</p>
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Curzon Terrace		<p>I am writing to you regarding the proposed alleyway gating of Curzon Terrace/Albemarle Road. I already wrote in response to the original proposed gating raising concerns and objections to the idea. I would like to know what anti-social behaviour has been taking place in the alleyway? My husband and I have lived on the street for over 8 years now and have never noticed any ASB or criminal activity. Why has this suggestion been put forward? Should the gateway be put in place I would be very concerned with regards to the collection of refuse. Curzon Terrace is a very narrow street and at times it is difficult to get emergency vehicles down it let alone a large lorry required to collect refuse. Even during the day there is often significant traffic still parked and there is often delivery and work vehicles as well. On top of this the pavements themselves are narrow and if everyone were required to place refuse at the front of their properties, this would present a challenge for anyone using a pushchair or wheelchair to negotiate their way along. I know that recycling is collected from the front but the boxes stack well and therefore require much less space. My other concern regarding refuse is that for the people in the middle of the street who would either have to walk all the way round or take refuse through their houses. A number of residents are elderly or infirmed and this would present great difficulty for them. The thought of having rows of rubbish on view during race days certainly will change peoples views of the area as they approach the races. It won't paint a particularly lovely picture. During the summer when refuse becomes rather smelly the thought of having directly under open windows is not pleasant. At least the distance from the alleyway to our houses allows for some relief from this. There will be times as well then people working shifts will have to put their rubbish out earlier than stated to allow for it to be collected, or if going on holiday. They will have to be able to put it out earlier. Again, at least in the alleyway its contained and would not get in the way. Another issue is the number of people requiring access to the back of the street. I do not see how with this may residents all knowing a code to gain access that this can allow for a safer alleyway. The high turn over of residents as will due to the number of sales and let properties mean the code would constantly be passed on. There are always workmen requiring access and again this just means more people having to pass the code on to allow access while people are at work. This to me seems a complete waste of time if we need so many people to have access. I appreciate that there have been a few incidents over the last race season, however the majority of incidents that I witnessed took place in the front of Curzon Terrace which cannot be gated. The policing this year was not at its best and in previous years there have been few to no incidents. I do feel that gating the alleyway is a waste of time and I hope that my thought will be considered.</p>
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Curzon Terrace			<p>I object to the proposed order for alleygating in Curzon Terrace and Albemarle Road. I live in Curzon Terrace and cannot see the need for alleygating. I think that the inconvenience caused by the alleygating would far outweigh any perceived benefits. Having to take all rubbish to be collected to the front of the house would be a huge effort for most people especially the elderly. I have lived here for 25 years and apart from a few minor incidents on race days have had no experience of the antio-social behaviour you mentioned in your notice.</p>
Curzon Terrace			<p>I would like to object to the proposed alleygating of the lane between Albemarle Road and Curzon Terrace. I have lived at 14 Curzon Terrace for over 25 years and have seen little evidence of ASB. I always feel the streets of South Bank are safe. Children often play in the alleyway between the two streets. The only trouble we have here is on race days and that is dealt with by the police. I don't think the residents of Albemarle Road and Curzon Terrace are not fully aware of the plans for households to bring their smelly domestic rubbish through there homes and place for collection on the pavement on the front of the street. I can see that's going to cause lots of problems. 1. Elderley and disabled residents will find this very difficult. Will the council offer help to residents experiencing difficulties. 2. Rubbish can become very smelly, its not very hygienic to bring through the house. 3. Will it encourage rubbish being dumped in the alleyway or in front of the gates! Will the council still maintain the alleyway or will it be ledft to the residents to keep it clean. 4. The pavements are very narrow and having rubbish piled up in front street will make access difficult especially for pushchairs. 5. I cycle and use the back land for access to our backyard. A gate with keypad will be difficult to negotiate in the dark, trying to keep my bike upright. I hope the council will take note of my views. I feel in these cash strapped there is better things to spend the council money on.</p>
Curzon Terrace			<p>To whom it may concern. My formally objections ALLEY GATING. 1 The footpath in Curzon Terrace is narrow and may get block on days when rubbish is collected. 2 For me to take my 2 sacks of rubbish to the front of the property and put them on the footpath at 7am on the day of collection where all my neighbours sacks as well this will just block the path. 3 mums with pushchairs and little ones in hand on the way to school. 4 also people in wheelchairs are not be able to use the path. I know this for personal reasons. 5 in all of the 20 years plus I have lived here, the only anti-social behaviour I recall that take place in Curzon Terrace is on race days and cannot recall any problems of anti-social behaviour in our alleyways. I feel it would be better to leave refuse collection as it is this momemt in time.</p>
Knavesmire Crescent			<p>In respect of the proposed Alleygating of the alleyway between Knavesmire Crescent and Curzon Terrace We would like to object to the proposal for the following reasons; the existing system of rubbish collection works well. Transportation of rubbish bags to proposed collection points would be onerous and extremely difficult for aged or infirm residents. Any system of rubbish collection whereby residents might be expected to transport rubbish bags through their houses would be nonsense. We have been residents for 11 years, and throughout this time we have not experienced any problems or crime in the alleyway. Difficulties have arison on race days at point C. These could be prevented by more careful policing on the day. Excessive alcohol consumption by race goers in the main cause.</p>
Knavesmire Crescent			<p>Further to your recent letter about installing gates in the alley behind Knavesmire Crescent and Curzon Street and my conversations with staff in your office, I attach a photo of the rear of our property showing our automatic garage doors. We are next to the end of Knavesmire Terrace and there is JUST enough space to turn my Smart car into our back yard. As we are often away for up to three months and my car is very distinctive, I always park it in our back yard when we are away so that it isn't obvious to neighbours and regular passers by that we are not at home. We had the electric garage doors installed when we moved in two years ago for this express purpose. My concern about the new gates being proposed is that if they are on the Curzon Street side of our back entrance, the useable width of the alley will be reduced and the already tight manoeuvrable space will mean that I cannot drive the car into the back yard. I am therefore requesting that the new gates are installed at the other side of our back yard entrance away from Curzon Street. Having said the above, I would also like to express the following thoughts and doubts about the whole issue of installing these gates: In over 2 years that we have been living in this house, we have never seen any evidence of anti social behaviour in the alley. We walk our dog down there regularly en route to the rover and cycle path at all time of the day and night and have never seen anybody suspicious there. I have never seen any evidence of fly tipping that hasn't obviously come from one of the houses backing onto the alley and never noticed a small of urine down there. I am concerned about arrangements for rubbish collection. At the moment the little bin lorry can easily fit down the alleyway to collect rubbish from the back of each property. Will this still be the case? If not, I assume that rubbish bags from the houses along the alley will have to be taken and left outside the gates at each end of the terrace, which means that they will be pile up outside our back gates and those at the other end of the terrace. Often rubbish bags are put out days early, this is fine when it is outside their own back gate, but not when they have to put it outside the alleygate for everybody to pass/step over. I have never been aware of any of my neighbours expressing a need for alleygates, or indeed, complaining about problems there, I would like to know where this notion has come from. Is it a York City policy, or has there been a specific incident/complaint? Please consider my comments when deciding on location of the gates should the project go ahead.</p>

Knavesmire Crescent

I am writing to object to the proposed order as outlined in your letter dated 3rd August 2015 proposing the erection of alley gates at each end of the back lanes of Knavesmire Crescent and Curzon Terrace. I also wrote to you in December 2014 objecting to proposed alley gates in the previous consultation. I assume this paperwork will also be taken into account. We are informed this measure is to reduce crime and/or antisocial behaviour. I would be interested in your evidence that this measure is necessary and will work. Please can you tell me as a matter of urgency precise information about how many incidents of anti social behaviour have been reported over say, the last five years? How many prosecutions have there been in the last five years? Have the ambulance and fire service or indeed the RAC and AA been consulted about the proposed blocking of the lane by gates? (I have in the past when I owned an old sports car had to have a big RAC vehicle at both the garage at the rear of my property and when I owned a garage at the top of the lane). Would gates impede that sort of visitor? Would lorries collecting or delivering large household items like furniture be able to access through gates? I assume this is the precise information you will be providing for councillors in order that they can make informed decisions. However, I feel at a time of increasing budget cuts alley gating this lane seems an unnecessary expense which will lead to great inconvenience to the residents and the back lanes becoming increasingly dirtier. There is an assumption the gates will save money. Have the assumptions been costed? If so, please can you supply that information to the residents? It is assumed that cleaning the back lanes will decrease but will that not add to dirtier and indeed possibly unhygienic lanes? My desk is near a window overlooking the back lane and I do not recall in sixteen years actually seeing any antisocial behaviour. This is not something I can say about the front street where incidents of dog fouling, litter and waste, including vomit has been observed particularly after a race meeting. The back lane is cordoned off by police so gates are unnecessary even on race days. Although perhaps this scheme is something that is misguidedly thought will lead to the policing of the lane being unnecessary with gates on race days. Gates will actually cause severe problems and inconvenience to residents, particularly given the proposals for rubbish collection. Household waste is stored in yards or gardens in black sacks and put out the evening before collection (once a fortnight) by the majority of residents. There are residents who get confused and put it out on the wrong weeks or indeed seem to occasionally use the back lane to store their black sacks. At the time of writing there are approximately ten black sacks in the lane. (Refuse collection is not for another week.) We cannot assume that these residents will not continue to use the lane to store their bags or not use the anonymity of the collection point outside the gates to dump their rubbish bags on any day. This would cause additional problems of blocking the gates and perhaps health issues. There seems to be two proposals for decision makers to choose from. One that residents be forced to place their black sacks at the front of their property - this will lead to increased inconvenience of moving the sacks from the back yard to the front. Or those who do not or cannot do this may indeed store their black sacks at the front of the property. This unsightly solution applies only to Knavesmire Crescent residents who have small frontage between their front doors and the pavement; Curzon Terrace residents will not have this choice. The problems of boxes on recycling days will be exacerbated to a weekly problem of the streets being used for rubbish collection. Putting the recycling bins out at the front causes inconvenience and even more street litter. Boxes are strewn along the pavements for at least one day when people are at work during recycling week. There is nothing that leads me to think the litter problem will not get worse if the proposal to put black sacks out at the front proceeds. As people have to buy their own black sacks and not everyone can afford good quality sacks the risk of the sacks breaking will cause great inconvenience to the workers and street cleaners. Given the parking problems residents have with more and more households having two cars, I cannot see the refuse collectors, having to negotiate between cars and necessitating their lifting bags will find that a happy solution. Will the front streets be cleaned after the refuse collection? If so does this cancel out the savings on cleaning the lanes after refuse collection? Cleaning the front streets after refuse collection will take longer as parked cars will hamper straightforward cleaning. Will the pavements be cleaned as well as the roads? If not the streets will be unsightly, particularly unpleasant, as this is an important street seen and used by many visitors. If gates are erected and the option to collect black sacks from the outside of the gates is chosen and IF things run smoothly, once a fortnight anything from 50 to 80 black bins will be put outside the gates at both ends of the street. This will block the lane and stop those with a garage or cycles or disabled vehicles accessing the rear lane and their properties. Thus causing considerable inconvenience to residents who actually use the lane. I access my property with my bicycle through the lane. Ploughing through 80 black bins is not a very nice prospect even if the black bin bags are intact and not vandalised by the occasional fox or as my neighbour informs me, used by dogs to urinate on.

		<p>The beautiful rosemary setts were taken up in this lane in 1999 after a complaint that the state of the back lane was causing access problems for a Knavesmire Crescent resident who used his disability vehicle. Negotiating gates in such a disability vehicle will indeed be extremely difficult if not impossible and as the front access in the houses is narrow anyone with even small mobility vehicles will be totally restricted. Where the gates are placed will be of concern as I am informed my neighbour (no 36 Knavesmire Crescent) has problems parking her small car in her car port. I assume if I return to having double doors I too would find the same. Narrowing the lane will give many people a problem accessing garages or their properties. However that is a small consideration given the likelihood that the lane will be blocked by rubbish at least twice a month. There are residents who have small garages in Knavesmire Crescent and there is a block of garages at the top of the lane at both Knavesmire Crescent and on the Curzon Terrace side. How will these garage owners negotiate a narrowing of the lane? I have been given a copy of an e mail dated 4th August to some residents outlining some of the proposals. We are informed that black sacks being placed at the edge of the front of properties will lead to: Easier identification of those who offend, reduced littering as less bags left out before collection, increased recycling as less opportunity to dispose of large amounts of rubbish, reduced cost to taxpayers through reduced need for sweeping the back lane and quicker rubbish collection. On what evidence is this based? On the contrary, it could be argued that people not sticking to the rules will not place their black sacks outside their own property and use the anonymity of the street and/or the gates to dump. This will happen particularly at a time of holidays or Christmas when households have more refuse. If dogs fouling or urinating belong to the residents of the lane will become even dirtier as it is cleaned less. The erection of gates in this long stretch of lane with a narrow snicket would be dependant on residents goodwill and acting in a social neighbourhood way. People, particularly those who do not own their property and are on short term rented lets may be tempted to go for the easiest option. Older people will be greatly troubled at having to carry black sacks either to the edge of their property or through gates. If the council offer to help older residents this will increase a workload and therefore costs somewhere. This proposal was dated 3rd August and the previous proposal was during the Christmas period. I object to this proposal consultation being made during August as I did during the Christmas period. Many people who may object may indeed be on holiday during the school holiday period and therefore this seems a period which will disenfranchise these people from the democratic process. I have telephoned Alley gating line and telephoned Sara Goodhead at CYC on several occasions and left one message each but as yet no one has returned my telephone call it has been difficult to get more information. I appreciate how busy the staff are or perhaps they are on their well earned annual leave? Sadly this consultative process has been almost silent and many feel the democratic system has been eroded in recent years. In a short survey of my neighbours there are very few people in favour of alley gating however these busy people will not find time to object about the proposal and a few feel their voices will not be heard or not taken notice of anyway. The paperwork I have read assumes a great deal without providing any evidence. The alley gates are unnecessary and will cause great inconvenience to residents. The refuse collection from other than back doors will lead to greater rather than less problems for the refuse collectors and will lead to the necessity for the streets to be cleaned, negotiating in between parked cars. I appreciate that this alleygating scheme is proposed for what appears to officers good reasons but gates are unnecessary, will not save the ratepayers but will inconvenience them and will prove to test the goodwill of residents. If there are any further meetings or site meetings I would be delighted to attend. I am also happy to talk to councillors or officers at any time.</p>
Knavesmire Crescent		<p>I am writing to object to the proposed order to restrict access to the rear of Knavesmire Crescent/Curzon Terrace by means of a lockable metal gate at each end of the alleyway. I have lived at the above address for six years and have never been disturbed by, or aware of, the various activities listed. It was, in fact, one of the reasons I bought the property: I liked the refuse collection arrangements, and the fact that tradesmen doing essential work to walls, fences etc were able to access the property from the rear. I recently had to have my rear wall demolished and rebuilt, and cannot imagine how this would have been possible with gates at either end of the alley. This also applies to the window cleaner, who needs his water supply within easy reach. I have been impressed that the alley is thoroughly cleaned after the refuse sacks have been collected. Being a pensioner, I have appreciated the ease with which I can put the sack immediately outside my backgate, and would not wish to have to take it further. Many of my neighbours cycle regularly in and out of York, or walk to the local shops, using the rear access: gate are, in my opinion, an unnecessary, expensive measure, and I am sure the money could be better spent to support the many people in York who are in need. For all the above reasons, I strongly object to the proposal, and I consider the reasons given by the council to be without justification. I sincerely hope it will not go ahead.</p>
Knavesmire Crescent		<p>I wish to object to the above proposal on a number of grounds. We were unable to take part in the consultation having moved into Knavesmire Crescent more recently. This action is not merited by evidence of anti-social behaviour. It will cause inconvenience to residents and unnecessary cost to the community.</p>
Knavesmire Crescent		<p>1 I currently enjoy my freedom, I can come in and go out of the alley with ease. I currently feel safe in the late evening putting out my bin bags and searching for the cat. If there were gates, I would feel trapped, because if someone had got in, and wanted to attack, how would I escape?. The noise of clanking metal gates will be disturbing. Opening and closing the gates can be very tricky with animals, children or bikes or if I want to wash my car down the lane. If the bin lorries need to use the main road at the front where we all park our cars, I worry about my wing mirrors etc. I have had to carry bin bags through the house to the front gate before, it can be quite difficult and messy in bad weather especially or if there has been a long wait for a collection and the dustbin was full, keeping the bin bag dry is almost impossible. Bin bags at the front or even in a collection place at the end of the road are unsightly, smelly and difficult to negotiate. I am also concerned about anyone with difficulties - arthritic hands, those with walking problems, slightly more frail members of the society having to manage a heavy gate. Before you spend money on a gate, please consider it could be better used on our drainage system!</p>

Knavesmire Crescent			<p>I wish to register my objection to the proposed gating of the alleyway behind Knavesmire Crescent and Curzon Terrace. My main reason within the terms of the Act is evidence for the proposed order. As an almost daily user of the alleyway for three years I have not seen evidence of urination, dog fouling, fly tipping and drug use. Moreover, I have been unable to access the information obtained after the informal consultation which might indicate this is a perceived problem by the majority of the residents of the two roads. In addition I would like to know what criteria are used to indicate that "it is likely that these activities will be carried on in the public place". I also believe that should the possibility that the landfill refuse is placed in front of the said houses, particularly on Curzon Terrace may well breach disability and access legislation, given the nature of the short frontages of these dwellings. In a time of austerity I cannot see any sound reason or evidence as to why this proposed alley gating should go ahead. My understanding is that now at least one formal objection to the proposal has been placed, that a further report will be written which will be considered in public.</p>
Knavesmire Crescent			<p>We, the undersigned, wish to make a Formal Objection to the proposal to alleygate the rear alley to Knavesmire Crescent/Curzon Terrace on the basis that we consider; 1 That there is insufficient evidence that alleygating will reduce or prevent nuisance or crime in the area. 2 That the proposal is linked to a change in the method of refuse collection which is totally unacceptable. 3 That the information provided for consultation and the method of consultation has, so far, been inadequate. (Please see attached letter)</p>
			<p>RE:- THE ABOVE:- I have today received a hand delivered letter stipulating the gating will be carried out in December this year. Hopefully you have received the same information. As advised in the letter regarding black sack waste I eventually spoke to Waste Strategy, each lady extremely helpful. I expressed my concerns as follows: Was a black sack collection point of some 78 bags approx have to be carried up the lane, in all weathers by residents of numerous ages through a locked gate &amp; be deposited outside the gates at the South End/Campleshon road junction/North end Curzon Terrace. ANSWER - NO. The refuse men will not have a key to the gates, therefore all dwellings to Knavesmire Crescent and Curzon Terrace North &amp; South will have to store their household refuse for 2 weeks in the black sacks we purchase and hopefully store undercover for these sacks, possibly dripping wet, will then have to be transported through their pristine homes and placed on the front pavement for collection and not before 7 o'clock the night before collection. Our super refuse sack collection from the rear land has been carried out by our "BIN" men for years that day and following day lane was swept mechanically, the only problem I have seen is residents discarding other household items, ie kitchen units etc. Can you imagine black sacks on pavements outside front doors/forecourt walls etc length of Curzon Terrace and Knavesmire Crescent!!? We chose to live in this pristine area with green areas for whoever of any age to enjoy. Why will the Council not back us as they have others in this area. I am totally against the alley gating of Knavesmire Crescent/Curzon Terrace Lane. I do not require 70 possibly 80 sacks to be left outside these locked gates at whatever time outside my home. I object strongly to the suggested alternative, privately purchased black sacks/free black plastic bins from CYC containing the sacks be carried through each residents property to the limited front forecourt, or as a proud property owner or resident would desire a free black dustbin out side their front door? I think not. What is the procedure for Curzon Terrace, No front forecourt, front entrance doors direct onto the public footpath, is this not a further obstruction to the pathway every 2 weeks, be it dustbins or bin sacks? I find this action by the Council to completely lack substantial information to All residents, house by house for the owner/occupiers throughout to appreciate the implications of your suggested 2 types of rubbish collection available should the alley gates be installed. I did request, moon's past, that a "Flyer" of information from the Council should be delivered &amp; offered my assistance. Unfortunately no reply. There is no point by any party to organise a Residents Meeting when Residents are not fully informed. Regardless of CYC Budget cuts, may I remind you the rear lane is classed as a highway and should remain so, present black sack household rubbish be collected from this highway lane, outside rear yard gates as always, in terraced street areas the rear lane highway was designed for this purpose etc. I again request an extension of time from 31st August to whatever date to obtain a full &amp; democratic vote on all suggestions / actions by the Council/ delivered to all residents concerned.</p>