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# A Dangerous, Dirty Disgrace

Local residents are calling for urgent action to clear up and make safe the alleyway between **Cheriton High Street** and **Broomfield Road Car Park**. The area is often used by gangs and drug users, with evidence of drug-abuse and broken bottles littering the area.

Although there is no public right of way, the alley is private land with a covenant that requires that it should allow access between the High Street and the Car Park. Shepway Council have previously owned the land and had plans to renovate the alley, but they sold off the property in 1987 before doing so.

After speaking to a number of local residents over the weekend, **Darren Briddock** has written to the owners of the alley to ask them to look at fitting security lights and CCTV in the alley.

“It’s in no-ones interest for this alley to be unsafe and threatening” says Darren. “It needs to be cleaned up, lit up and watched regularly by the police.”

**Tom McNeice** added:

“I was really shocked by the state of the area - it is so threatening at night, and finding drug bags lying around is awful. We’re going to try to work with the Police, land owners and Council to get this long-running problem resolved, and make this corner of Folkestone safer, cleaner and less threatening.”

**You can help us to get Folkestone Police to patrol the alley more regularly by completing and returning the petition below.**



**Shocking:** The alley to Broomfield Road Car Park is littered with bottles (below) and drug bags (left). “This needs sorting - now” says **Darren Briddock**.

## Alley Police Patrol Petition

I call on the police to patrol the alley between Cheriton High Street and Broomfield Road Car Park more regularly, especially at night.

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