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**To:** Doow-Powell, Amarjit  
**Subject:** FW: Altrincham's Historic Ginnels

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**From:** Julia Chance  
**Sent:** 26 February 2014 16:56  
**To:** Read, Elisabeth  
**Cc:** Paola Bazzolo Bazzolo  
**Subject:** Altrincham's Historic Ginnels

Dear Ms Read,

I am writing to you because my friend Paola Bazzolo (architect and artist) and myself (an architect currently teaching) are very interested in the potential of the ginnels in Altrincham town centre. We think that for the pedestrian the ginnels have the potential to be one of Altrincham's key features as they could provide a finer grain of pedestrian movement flowing across and through the town rather than the routes being limited to those that are currently used, along the main north-south shopping streets.

At the moment the ginnels are uninviting, threatening and present a large area of the public realm that is underused.

We have been looking at examples of projects in other parts of the world where back alleyways have been transformed from very run down and unsafe areas used for storing bins to thriving pedestrian walkways that very much enrich the experience of the pedestrian for the towns that they are in (Detroit, San Francisco, Melbourne, Seattle).