Planning statement for Gateway for 64 Hawk Street

We would like to vary the conditions of the planning application accepted in May 2023 from a 5 bar metal gate, as set out in drawings, to a solid wooden gate.

Reasons being-

The main reason is security and safety of our livestock. 5 bar gates are notoriously dangerous to animals as they can get stuck in them. Horses can attempt to jump a 5 bar gate, sometimes with catastrophic results, as the gateway is directly onto a highway we feel that it is imperative to add extra safety measures hence installing wooden gates and not a 5 bar gate.

There has been many countryside crimes in recent years, animals stolen, dogs accessing land and chasing livestock, members of the public feeding animals over gates.- with solid gates we are helping deter this issue.

We have a footpath leading across our land, if a member of the public mis read a map they may well think that the access to the footpath is over our land, a 5 bar gate is easy to be left open, leaving livestock vulnerable and potentially going onto the highway.

By having solid gates we are providing extra security to our property and our personable belongings are less at risk.