

Design and Access Statement

1. Design

This application relates to the retrospective erection of a 1.8 metre high close-boarded timber boundary fence along the side boundary of a corner plot residential property.

The fence has been positioned behind an existing low boundary wall and set back from the pavement. It is a standard domestic boundary treatment commonly found within residential areas and is constructed from timber materials appropriate to the character of the surrounding properties.

The purpose of the fence is to provide privacy, security, and safe enclosure for the primary garden area associated with the dwelling.

The development did not involve changes to ground levels, and existing trees and shrubs remain in situ.

2. Impact on Character and Appearance

The fence presents a tidy and contained boundary treatment and replaces previously unmanaged hedging that extended significantly in height. It does not encroach upon the highway and maintains the residential character of the area. We have received positive feedback from neighbouring residents, who consider the fence an appropriate and tidy boundary treatment. No concerns have been raised regarding its appearance or impact on the character of the area. A neighbouring resident has confirmed they intend to submit a statement of support for this application.

Photographs showing visibility at the junction, the fence location relative at the junction, and existing boundary hedging are included as supporting documents.

3. Highway Safety

The fence is set back from the highway and does not obstruct the visibility splay at the junction. Clear sightlines for both drivers and pedestrians are maintained.

4. Access

There is no change to vehicular or pedestrian access arrangements as a result of this development