

Highway Response

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PROPOSAL: DEMOLITION OF OLD, UNSECURE FENCE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF NEW 2.4M SECURITY FENCE. REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING GATES TO UPGRADED SECURITY DESIGNED GATES. PLANTING OF HOLLY AND/OR HAWTHORN ON THE NORTH BOUNDARY TO CREATE A SECURE NATURAL BOUNDARY TO ENSURE PROTECTION OF SURROUNDING PROTECTED TREE SPECIES

SITE: Malpas Park Primary School Wavell Drive Newport NP20 6LE

Case Officer: Lydia Burrows

Highway Officer: Kevin Jackson

Highway recommendation:

Objection.

Highway Comments:

We note that the existing arrangement is not up to current standards, however, cannot support a replacement scheme that does not take the opportunity to improve the situation.

For the avoidance of doubt the only area of concern is the vehicular gates and adjacent fencing. We would expect the gates to be set back to provide access without obstructing highway/footway and to allow egress with pedestrian visibility.

The required standard is 2x2m at 600mm height. Whilst we appreciate the need for security and "see through" style of fence, the gates, fence and pillars will not provide adequate visibility. We would suggest that the gates are set back as far as possible to compensate for this and provide an acceptable level of inter-visibility between pedestrians and egressing vehicles.