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Design & Access Statement

RE: South End Close Estate, London, NW3

The proposed gate is to have the appearance of a traditional vehicular barrier gate. It is currently located at a vehicle access of the Heybridge & Widford Estate Castle Road. This is due to be removed in a programme where updated fences and gates are to be installed at the estate. This old gate is to be recycled and upgraded for use at the South End Close Estate.

The residents of South End Close Estate have been in consultation with the Gospel Oak District Housing Office and local councillors for the installation of the gate. This proposal was put forward for the following reasons:

- Minimise unauthorised parking within the estate by persons using the Royal Free Hospital and local amenities, following unsuccessful parking control measures have been in use at the estate.
- Slow down entering and/or exiting vehicular traffic.

By restricting such flow, the safety of the residents, particularly the young and elderly will be considerably improved.

The design comprises of a single hung metal gate to a height of 1245mm spanning an 4820mm, it is currently unpainted galvanised steel, but is to be painted in black hammerite, with vertical elements and associated posts to be painted in yellow reflective paint to ensure that is visible during periods of low light.

The Residents have requested an automated pneumatic arm, electronically activated by a stand alone fob access system. It is proposed to provide Emergency Services with fobs to ensure access is possible at all times.

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