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I wish to oppose the changes on the following grounds, all relating to the amenity of the site and especially that of its neighbour, Highfields Grove.

(Note that this fence has already been constructed without the specific planning permission sought in 2013/7747/P)

1. The massive steel "prison style gates" which have been built into the fence are ugly and inappropriate in the garden of a grade 2 listed house.
2. The height of the inner perimeter fence exceeds that of the outer fence on the border with Highfields Grove which creates an asymmetric height pathway/space a yard or so wide between the fences. It gives an odd appearance as the shape of the two fences shifts as the slope and fencing follow round across the boundary.
3. The space between the fences has, we understand, been constructed to provide a:
 - "path for dog handling security staff to patrol
 - dead area to accommodate unspecified electronic detection equipment
4. As it has already been built we know that these fencing and path arrangements currently cause serious infringements of privacy and security for the homes and gardens bordering 41 Highgate West Hill.
5. The site's garden has been seriously over developed with a serious risk to the hydrology of the area and especially to those homes on the slope below 41 Highgate West Hill. There is further threat from the proposed bore holes to take garden irrigation water from the deep chalk aquifer.

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