



FAO Matthew Dempsey,

Thank you for allowing me to comment on planning application 2019/2592/P which relates to the installation of railings, gates and associated alterations to the front boundary, with creation of bin store to side passage (retrospective) at 7 Oakhill Avenue, NW3.

I have reviewed the submitted plans and have no objections to this proposal.

I would recommend though that the gate to the enclosed bin storage area be locked with a BS3621 mortice dead lock to prevent unlawful entry and to reduce the risk of it being used as a fly tipping location.

The proposed railings/gates are visually semi-permeable to allow for surveillance both in and out of the property. The hedging beyond the railings is shown at 1.2 metres though the recommended height for a front boundary treatment is 1.0m this should not be too much of an issue. If the intended purpose of the application is to reduce the risk of people being able to climb over the boundary then consideration to what hand/foot holds are being created in the design of the gates and railings or how they relate to existing street furniture or walls which may reduce the height of the boundary itself. If all entry points are locked then this will be required as any benefit they provide may be lost.

If the applicant wishes any further help or advice on this matter then I will be more than happy to be contacted.

Kind regards

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