

REDINGTON FROGNAL
NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

7 August 2021

Dear Ms Smith,

5 Templewood Avenue: 2021/2995/P– objection and 2021/2994/P – no comment

Metal gates are not a traditional feature of the Redington Frognal Conservation Area. Together with the replacement of front gardens by car parks, they are causing very serious cumulative harm to the Conservation Area, as has been noted in both the 2003 and 2020 Conservation Area appraisals.

The use of metal gates and railings will harm not only the Conservation Area but also the setting of this non-designated heritage asset by CHB Quennell.

In a similar application for metal gates at 24 Ferncroft Avenue (2020/2471/P), the applicant changed the proposal from metal gates to timber gates, to respect the traditional front boundary treatments of the Redington Frognal Conservation Area.

The use of timber gates in original front boundary treatments, as shown in his book, *Modern Suburban Houses*, is set out below.

Original Front Boundary Treatments for CHB Quennell Houses (Source: *Modern Suburban Houses* by CHB Quennell)





TYPE No. VI. - FRONT VIEW.



TYPE No. VII. - FRONT VIEW.



TYPE No. 12 - FRONT VIEW



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The Forum appreciates the incorporation of a hedge as part of the boundary treatment but, in order to enhance the streetscape, we wonder if the hedge could rather be planted in front of the fence. A nearby example of a hedge successfully planted in front of a wooden fence and contributing positively to the green streetscape, is shown below.



Yours sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

Secretary

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