

Design and Access Statement

Relating to: Argyle Primary School, Tonbridge Street, London WC1H 9EG

Client Name: London Borough of Camden

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Description of Works:

Proposal to demolish a section of wall within the school site and replace with a fence.

1.0 Introduction

Argyle Primary School is located within the Bloomsbury Conservation Area close by Kings Cross St Pancras. The main pedestrian access and only vehicular access is via Tonbridge Street. The site is constricted and urban with a number of surrounding buildings, including large mansion block housing and London Borough of Camden Town Hall offices. The existing local authority community school, which is not proposed to be expanded, comprises two form of entry (maximum 420 pupils) with a staff roll of 52 full time and 4 part time.

The school, originally known as Manchester Street School, was established by the School Board for London. The main building (Block A) was constructed in 1881 with alterations in 1902 and later. A Families Learning Centre and Site Manager's flat is located in what was originally the Laundry and Housewifery Building dating from 1908.

The wall is approximately 6m in length and currently separates two play areas. The wall is currently moving away from the main structure due to a large tree adjacent with cracking seen along the joint with the external wall of the main school building. To avoid further damage to the building and to retain the tree, the proposal is to demolish the wall and replace with a fence. Fence will be the same height as the existing wall. The removal of the wall will have no effect on the external appearance of the school from public areas.

2.0 Access Statement

Access into and around the site will not be affected by the proposal.

3.0 Scope of works

Demolish wall and make good external wall of main school building
Erect fence in same location

4.0 Amount

Wall is approximately 6m in length.