

Design and Access Statement.

Description: Environmental external Improvements.

Location: New Lodge, Barnsley.

Application No.

The proposals for this application is to provide environmental improvements to 132 dwellings within the New Lodge estate area. The works comprise of new front boundary walls topped with railings, new timber palisade fencing to side boundaries, new off street parking providing individual driveways to each property where feasible and new off street communal parking bays within areas of properties that contain flats. Each property to have new steel pedestrian access gates, and properties with driveways to have new double bi-folding driveway gates complete with drop kerb crossovers where appropriate.

The main objectives of the works are:-

1) To address problem of severe lack of off street parking within the estate. Currently, due to the lack of off street parking, the estate experiences restricted and potential hazardous access along the roads within the estate due to the volumes of vehicles parked on both sides of the roads.

2) To provide a general aesthetic improvement to the estate as a whole. By improving the estate it is hoped that this will help tenants and owners to take a greater pride in their own properties and the surrounding community.

3) To address the problems of anti-social behaviour, in particularly to residents adjacent to the communal areas. It is proposed to provide new front boundary walls to these properties to offer some protection and privacy to directly outside the front of their properties. These boundary walls will be of low height construction and have no side fencing in between properties to help maintain a communal feel.

Materials used will be of traditional construction, brick walls with steel railings on top, sourced from local suppliers / manufactures. Driveways to be concrete with Aco drainage channel drained to local soak-aways.

The proposed pedestrian gates are of sufficient width for disabled access, and the properties where there are disabled residents, ramps have already been provided.