



Cravenwood Primary Academy

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Design and Access Statement: March 2022

Cravenwood Primary Academy, Crumpsall, Manchester M8 5AE

1.0 Site Analysis

Cravenwood Primary is a two-form entry Primary school located in the area of Crumpsall, Manchester. It currently has 394 pupils on roll. The Academy is part of the United Learning Trust, a partnership of community schools which aspire to be local lifelong learning centres of excellence.

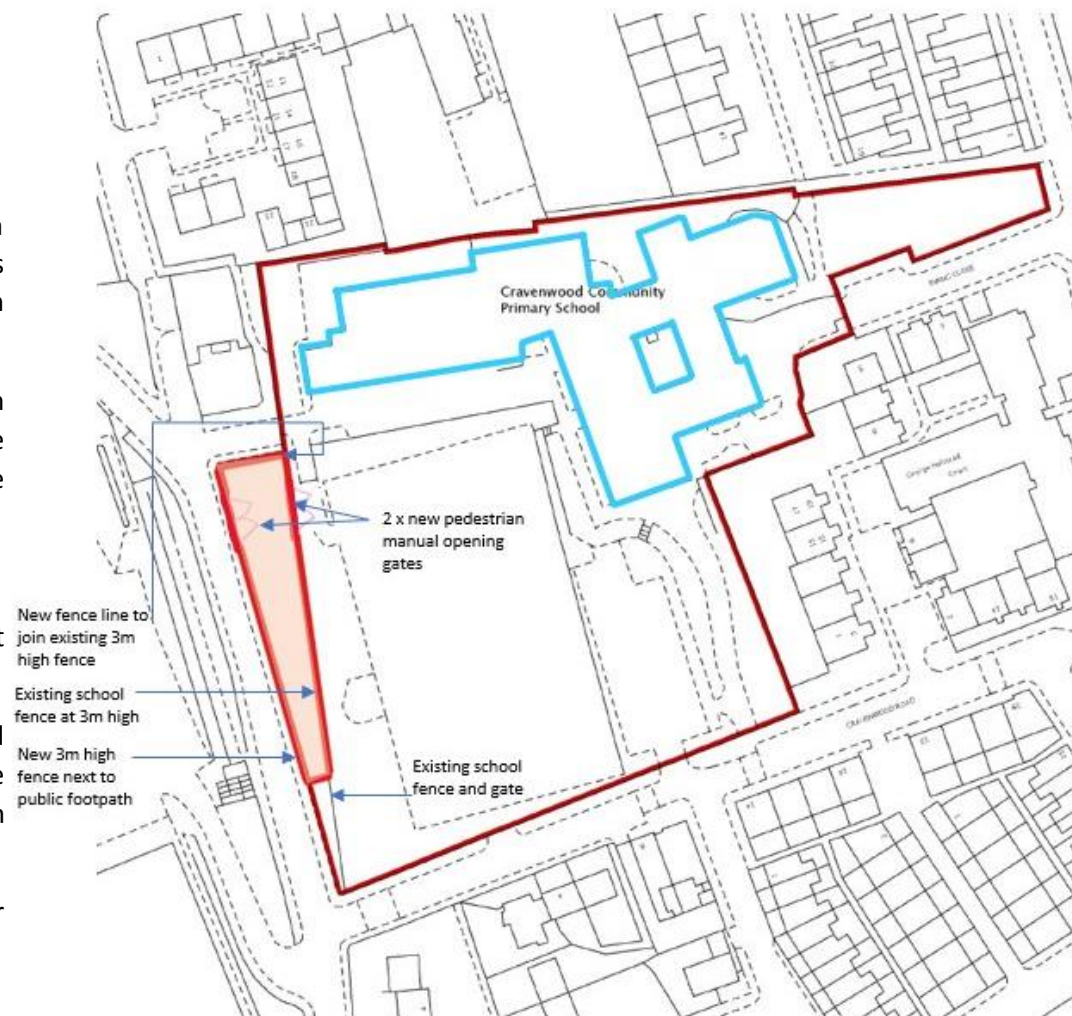
This planning application is to provide new perimeter fencing and pedestrian access gates parallel to Arlington Street next to the pedestrian footpath. The land highlighted in orange on the plan is under the designated land for the school and is maintained by the school.

2.0 Design principles

The boundary where the new fence is due to be erected is on Arlington Street located to the rear of the school building.

The proposed fence is to be 3m high and 107m in length (please see detailed drawing). In proposed fence will be in keeping with the existing fence, the new fence will be heavy duty mesh fence panel. There will be two pedestrian gates as marked up on the drawing.

By enclosing this will create a safe outdoor learning area to enhance the wider curriculum offering from the school to children within the community.



It will also prevent safeguarding concerns of the public being able to gather on the grassed area and will create another barrier between school and the pub's beer garden which is directly adjacent to the school gate.

Plans have been looked into to create a privacy hedge or screening along the bottom of the fence, so that pupils are not disturbed by the general public in the pub as school feel this is a vulnerable area for its pupils.

There are no protected trees within this area and the school is not registered as a listed building. It will not be close to any other buildings that school are aware of as being listed.

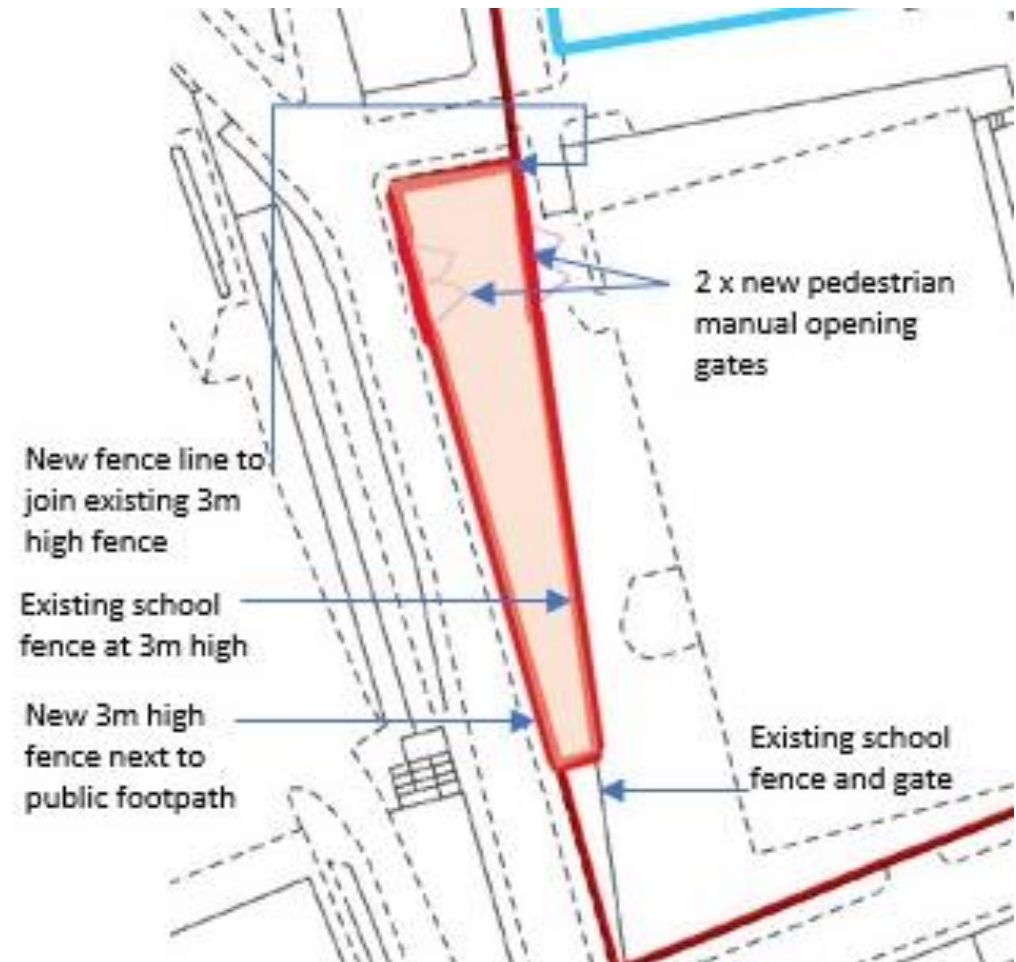
3.0 Involvement and consultation

It has been apparent that the school is experiencing possible safeguarding issues and require secure fencing and gates to ensure a safer learning environment for the pupils. The current proposals have been prepared in consultation with United Learning, the School and safeguarding leads.

4.0 Design Criteria and functionality

The proposals aim to provide the following:

1. A construction method that is robust, durable and secure.
2. Provide gates that can be secured during school hours whilst maintaining access around the school.
3. Quality construction with good appearance.
4. Built within the Schools available budget.
5. Reduce safeguarding issues



5.0 Design solution

As the fence is to be erected externally where there is easy access from the main road, there should be no issues with accessibility. The fence is to be placed on school grounds and should not disrupt traffic whilst being installed. There is a public path adjacent to where the fence will be installed so considerations must be made for the public walking along this path.

Contractors will have access to the main entrance of the school where accessible toilets are available. They will be required to sign in and out of site when entering the school and will gain access by a member of the office team.

Will need to see scheme of works from contractor along with construction phase plan, which will include risk assessments, method statement, health and safety policy, covid policy and liability insurance.

6.0 Access

Access into the school will not be impacted by the works and parking provision will also be unaffected by the proposals. The works on receipt of planning are scheduled to take place over the summer 2022, when there are no pupils on site.

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Image 1 taken from public house looking down Arlington Road



Image 2: taken from existing school gate looking down Arlington Road towards the public house



Image 3: example of fence type