

Design and access statement.

Ref. Tandlewood Mews.

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1. Site context.

The area around the site is expected to consist mainly of terraced houses containing mainly single parent families.

2. Community Involvement.

The gating scheme was initiated by a local resident contacting Private Sector Housing and requesting an alley gating pack whichwas then provided to the tenant.

The local resident who contacted Private Sector Housing wasresponsible for obtaining a consent form and completed crime questionnaire, for as many of the properties to be included in the gated area, as they could. When this was completed a formal application was made to Private Sector Housing for the alleyway to be closed off.

Officers from Private Sector Housing Alley Gating Team then visited the site. This was in order to assess the practicality of closing off the alleyway using normal construction methods and standard components. The standard components have received approval from Greater Manchester Police for their suitability for use on schemes of this type.

The residents were then consulted with regard to the progression of their scheme.

Initial consultation with the Highways and Development was then undertaken. During this consultation Highways and Development were advised of the description of the alleyway.Their initial reaction to the intended scheme was obtained along with advice on whether the scheme should proceed under Section 129a of the Highways Act 1980, or Section 16 of the Highways Act 1980.

The tenure of occupied properties affected by the scheme was then identified via the land registry. Information was also obtained as to whether the alleyway is adopted or unadopted. Witness statements were obtained from residents affected by the scheme and crime statistics obtained from the Crime and Disorder section of Manchester City Council.

Letters were then sent out to all statutory undertakers, telecom operators and all emergency services. Letters were also sent out to all local councillors and civic societies.

Approval was then requested from Highways and Development and identifying all objectors details. A delegated powers report was received by Private Sector Housing following approval from the Head of Engineering Services. This report required comments on Engineering Services and consultation with ward member, the Chief Constable, Chief Fire Officer, NHS and all relevant Utilities Companies and Civic Societies. Any objections that were received were assessed by the Director of Housing Services in conjunction with the Lead Member before the report was signed.

3. Evaluation of Site Assessment and Consultation.

The site assessment and consultation has revealed that there are a number of anit-social behaviour problems, which should be assisted by placing fencing along the existing fencing to effectively increase its height.

4. Outline of Design.

It is intended to place mesh fencing alongside the existing panel and post fencing to effectively increase its height. This will have the effect of making it more difficult for local youths to throw objects from the footpath at the nearby housing. It is also intended to make it more difficult to climb

over the fencing reducing the escape routes available for someone undertaking anti-social behaviour.

The new fencing will run from the start of the existing fencing at the rear of 17 Tandlewood Mews. It will continue along the side of the footpath and the grassed area up to the fencing belonging to the public house.

5. Outline of Access.

Existing access to the site will be unaffected by the proposed development.