

Covering Letter

Manchester, Old Trafford Kingdom Hall Security Risks

To the Local Planning Authority,

The proposal is for 2.4m high mesh fencing / gates to be erected on the Kingdom Hall site boundary along Chorlton Road and partially along the boundary bordering Marple Street.

This is due to an ongoing safety issue where drug users, crack cocaine, heroin and used hypodermic needles are being found on the Kingdom premises, almost on a daily basis since May 2024. Homeless have also been using the car park and garden both during the day and at night since December 2023.

Tents are being erected on the premises along with the area being littered with beer bottles/cans and other drug paraphernalia. Drug users have also been found unconscious at the Kingdom Hall entrance and at the rear of the building.

This has been extremely unsettling to the families, including young children, that use the Kingdom Hall and poses a major safety risk. The Police have advised that the issue is likely to continue until a fence is put around the Kingdom Hall.

We look forward to your response to the application.

Kind Regards,

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