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Dear Ms Sharpe,

HAWTHORNE HOUSE, BOTLEY ROAD, WEST END, SOUTHAMPTON, SO30 3HA

Retention of boundary fence

In regard to application H/22/94085, having reviewed the information contained within the application pack, there is no objection to the application proposed, from a highway perspective.

Whilst the height of the fencing would prohibit clear visibility onto the highway whilst within the application site, and that of the adjacent dwelling (Newstead), drawings submitted as part of the application demonstrate that adequate visibility splays of the highway are still achievable once the fence line has been cleared.

Measuring a minimum of 2.0 x 43.0m, these splays meet minimum highway standards and as such are acceptable from a highway safety perspective.

The one area of debate, would however be that of the gate. A new gate is proposed as part of the proposals, and it is noted that this does not sit 6.0m from the back edge of the highway, as required. However, it is understood that as this gate is a replacement of an existing gate located in the same position, which could be re-instated at any point without the need for planning, in this specific case, there would be no objection to the gates positioning.

Yours sincerely,
Matt Grantham

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