

H/23/94571 – Lyncies, Salterns Lane, Bursledon, SO31 8DH.

Context.

This site is located toward the southern end of the Old Bursledon Conservation Area within The Special Policy Area and the works will require planning permission as it will exceed the permitted development height restriction for enclosure adjacent to the highway.

The gates to Bridge House replace the iron ones that appear on Street View and are low-key timber boarded on straightforward brick piers, similar to those proposed for Lyncies. Those for Southwood are wrought iron on a rather grand scale closing the end of Salterns Lane.

The Proposal.

One can understand the wish for greater security in this day and age, particularly at the end of a rural lane but feel that a slightly more subdued solution would be more appropriate in this context. Having gates that are taller at the leading edge, furthest from the hinge, rather defies logic in that there is more weight where one least wants it increasing the load and therefore wear on the top hinge in particular.

With the relatively low close boarded fence either side of the site entry position gates with either a level top or a dipping curve would be more in keeping and suitable in this context.

Conclusion.

A lower-key solution would be more appropriate for this rural situation and style of house.

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