

Property	Unit 5, Nelson Industrial Estate
Location	Hedge End
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Introduction

Planning consent is sought at the above industrial/warehouse unit to provide gates and fences to enclose the yard and provide additional security.

Despite an ongoing marketing campaign, Unit 5 has been vacant since March 2024.

Feedback received from agents is that an enclosed yard would improve security and could assist with reletting the unit.

Site Context

Unit 5 Nelson Industrial Estate is one of 5 industrial/warehouse units, which in turn sit within a much larger commercial area of Hedge End.



The site is within a wholly commercial area. The nearest residential dwellings are located over 83m away from the northern boundary of the site, north of the industrial estate and with other industrial buildings sited in between.

Proposed Development

The proposal is to erect palisade fencing. Of note, this unit is vacant and was broken into in May 2024. Gates and fencing would assist with security and letting the property.

A 2m palisade fence with a double gate to the access at the front of the unit and a rear pedestrian, single gate is proposed.

Design

The proposed fencing and gates are of a simple, commercial design to match the character and appearance of other security measures commonly found within the industrial estate.

Given the industrial context, the proposed development is considered appropriate in scale, appearance and function

Access

Existing vehicular and pedestrian access arrangements will remain unchanged.

The proposed gates will allow controlled access to the site while maintaining safe entry and exit for vehicles and pedestrians. Visibility and access to the public highway will not be adversely affected.

There will be no impact on existing parking, servicing or emergency access arrangements

Conclusion

The proposed fencing and gates represent an improvement to the security and management of the site, responding to past break-ins and to assist reletting the unit.

The development is appropriate to the industrial character of the area, does not alter existing access arrangements, and will not result in any adverse impact on the surrounding industrial estate.

Accordingly, the proposal is considered acceptable, and planning permission should be granted accordingly.