

# Planning application- Supporting Statement Rev A

Portchester Community School  
White Hart Lane

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## **Project- Renewal of Boundary Fencing**

### **Background**

Portchester Community School is a secondary school with approximately 770 pupils aged between 11 and 16, it is situated within a residential area of Portchester.

### **Proposed Works**

The proposed works involve the removal of the dilapidated 1800mm high concrete post and chain link mesh fence and gates to part of the eastern, and northern boundaries. A new fence comprising powder coated steel mesh extending to 2.600m high, incorporating vehicle gates is to be erected along the same line as before.

The proposed works are required due to the very poor condition of the existing fence, which is in part leaning into the adjacent public footpath. Other development work on the site has resulted in the need for games pitches to be slightly resited, bringing them closer to residential properties.

To help minimise balls from the school sports fields entering the gardens of adjacent properties, the fence height is to be increased from the existing 1800mm to 2600mm. The mesh infill along the lower 1200mm will have smaller apertures which will help prevent rubbish from the school being blown into adjacent residential areas.

### **Highways**

Access to the school site is gained directly off of White Hart Lane. However, it is proposed that access for the fencing works, which are likely to take no more than two weeks, will be via Queen Mary Road and will not cause any disruption to neighbouring properties. The adjacent footpath will also remain in use.

### **Environmental Protection/ Landscaping**

The works do not affect the existing landscaping of the site

### **Design/ Appearance**

The fence will be Duex 868 Rebound (or equivalent) as manufactured by IAE Ltd and comprise of powder coated steel mesh, extending to a height of 2.600m, the lower 1200 mm will have a mesh size of 50 x 66 mm, the upper section will have a mesh size of 50 x 200mm. Fence posts will be 40 x 80 mm hollow steel sections. Gates will be constructed of similar materials to match the new fencing. The new fencing, posts, vehicle gates and mesh will be powder coated and coloured blue as per adjacent steel paling boundary fences. (Colour ref believed to be 'RAL5022')