
Design and Heritage Statement

1 The Avenue, Gosport PO12 2JS

Introduction

The existing dwelling is detached four-bedroom house at the northern end of The Avenue and positioned to the western edge of the Bury Road Conservation Area. Next door to the application site is the original Bury Grange (now no.3 and no.5 The Avenue) which are Grade II listed. It is noted that some of the application site boundary walls are listed but are not affected by the proposals. The front wall, the walls that connect to the existing front (as they have been rebuilt more recently) and the wall where the proposed new boundary wall connects to the dwelling are not listed.

The dwelling has been renovated under planning application 22/00246/FULL, which included the replacement of the front boundary wall. The wall was demolished as part of the planning application due to it being unstable and a risk to pedestrians however the client has now requested the design to be revised.

The existing wall was a combination of the original wall with height added in the 1960s. The render had also been removed from the wall as some point.



Original Dwelling and Boundary Wall

Proposal

The front wall is to be replaced as per the proposed drawings. It is proposed to maintain the previous height of the wall which was granted permission in the 1960s under application 65/07171/PA but with sections of iron railings in between facing brick built piers – a similar detail seen on a number of dwellings on The Avenue.

The boundary has always had gates positioned on the back of the boundary wall. It is proposed to maintain the approved new pair of timber grain aluminium gates in the same position. These gates would continue to provide pedestrian access.

Behind the proposed wall, a new hedgerow has already been implemented to screen the rear of the iron railings. This is to provide privacy but with a softer appearance.

The proposed brick type will be provided to the Local Planning Authority as part of the application.



Existing Boundary Wall in Poor Condition



Side View of Pier

Conclusion

In conclusion the proposed replacement of the boundary wall is a vast improvement on the previously demolished wall. It is in keeping with the wider street scene and has a reduced mass compared to the previously consented proposal. The proposed wall will complete the renovation of the dwelling, which has already been carried out to a high standard.