

## Environmental Policy team response - planning application, masterplan, and development framework consultations

### PROPOSAL DETAILS

	Enter details in this column
Application / plan name	<b>Wooland and Henry, Stoneywood Park Installation of a security Fence</b>
Application reference number / reference	210657/DPP
Planning case officer	Robert Forbes
Date of request	18/5/21
Date response required	8/6/21
Date of response	8/6/21
EP team (name of responder)	Karen van Eeden
Other EP team members	Richard Brough Choose an item. Choose an item. Choose an item. Choose an item.
Other Services consulted by EP	e.g. Environmental Services Specify:
Site Visited?	Yes

**POLICY AND GUIDANCE**

Relevant policy and legislation	Enter text in this column
<p>Relevant LDP policies</p> <p><a href="#">Link</a></p> <p>Relevant Supplementary Guidance/Technical Advice Note</p> <p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>D2 - Landscape D1 - Quality of Placemaking by Design Choose an item.</p> <p>SG/TAN; First select a Topic Area Choose an item.</p> <p>First select a Topic Area Choose an item.</p> <p>Development Frameworks / Masterplans:</p>
<p>Other key references, e.g. ACC strategies, Local Biodiversity Action Plan, Scottish Planning Policy, National Planning Framework, TPO/Cons area/GSN GIS tool</p>	<p>Local Planning Advice:</p> <p>Other Key References: Choose an item.</p>

**COMMENTS**

Topic	Comments (including compliance, non-compliance and reasoning)
<p><b>Natural Heritage</b></p> <p><b>Landscape</b></p>	<p>The proposed fence will result in the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A negative impact on the local greenspace network conflicting with policy NE1 (Greenspace Network)</li> <li>• Restrict access to public open space conflicting with policy NE9 (Access and Informal Recreation)</li> <li>• Impact negatively on the enjoyment of users of the adjacent public path. Local people regard this as a woodland walk, the fence adversely impacts on this experience bringing the edge of the industrial area into the woodland and close to the path.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The appearance and presence of the fence will have a negative impact on landscape quality and character conflicting with policy D1 (Quality Placemaking by Design and policy D2 (Landscape)</li> <li>• The fence will disrupt the movement of wildlife through an important riparian woodland.</li> </ul> <p>The site is within 1.5km of Aberdeen City Airport. The proposed planting of a Blackthorn hedge conflicts with the Civil Aviation Authorities guidance on the Safeguarding of Aerodromes. Blackthorn is a berrying species and will attract birds. Additionally, the hedge if left unmanaged could encroach on and hinder the use of the adjacent public path.</p>
<b>Trees</b>	<p>The submitted tree survey is not suitable for planning purposes. A further submission is required; the survey requires to be undertaken to BS5837:2012. The submission should include a tree survey, arboriculture impact assessment and tree protection plan. Where tree felling is required a replacement planting plan should be submitted.</p> <p>Considering the size of concrete foundation being proposed there is scope for extensive damage within the root protection areas of existing tree stock. The arboricultural impact assessment should include a detailed method statement that includes details relating to site access, machinery use, excavation and material storage.</p>
<b>Open Space</b>	
<b>Outdoor Access</b>	See Landscape section for comments re the path.
<b>Climate change mitigation and adaptation measures</b>	
<b>Construction</b>	
<b>Other</b>	

## CONCLUSION

<b>Summary of environmental effects of concern</b>
<b>Natural Heritage</b>
<b>Landscape</b>
<p><b>Trees</b>  Inadequate arboricultural submission; further details are required in order to assess the level of impact to the existing tree stock.</p>

<b>Open Space</b>
<b>Outdoor Access</b>
<b>Climate change mitigation and adaptation measures</b>
<b>Construction</b>
<b>Other</b>

**ACTION POINTS**

<b>Natural Heritage</b> 1.
<b>Landscape</b> 2.
<b>Trees</b> 3. Submission of tree survey, arboriculture impact assessment and tree protection plan undertaken to BS5837 is required. Where tree felling is required a replacement planting plan should be submitted. The arboricultural impact assessment should include a detailed method statement that includes details relating to site access, machinery use, excavation and material storage.
<b>Open Space</b> 4.
<b>Outdoor Access</b> 5.
<b>Climate change mitigation and adaptation measures</b> 6.
<b>Construction</b> 7.
<b>Other</b> 8.

