

Committee: **PLANNING**

Date of Meeting: **13 January 2009**

Title of Report: **S/2009/1112**  
**Netherton Moss Primary School, Swifts Lane,**  
**Netherton**  
(St Oswald Ward)

Proposal: Erection of 2 metre high fencing to the perimeter of the school site

Applicant: Sefton MBC Childrens Services

### **Executive Summary**

Having taken all of the above into account, it is my opinion , that this fencing will improve the appearance of the site replacing older fencing which is dangerous, will improve the security of the site and will have no significant detrimental affect on the adjoining residential premises , on highway safety or on the Urban Greenspace and therefore I recommend that planning permission be granted subject to conditions.

### **Recommendation(s)          Approval**

#### **Justification**

It is considered that this proposal, by reason of its siting and design, would have no significant detrimental affect on the Urban Greenspace, on highway safety or on the amenities of the adjoining premises and therefore it complies with UDP Policies CS3, DQ1 and G1.

#### **Conditions**

1. T1 Time Limit - 3 years
2. X1 Compliance
3. The fencing shall be colour coated and maintained as such thereafter.

#### **Reasons**

1. RT1
2. RX1
3. In the interests of visual amenity, to ensure a satisfactory form of development and to comply with UDP Policies CS3, DQ1 and G1.

#### **Notes**

## **Drawing Numbers**

Drawing 1AE-0192 and ED-NM-F -001 submitted on 3rd December, 2009.

## Financial Implications

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>2006/ 2007 £</b>	<b>2007/ 2008 £</b>	<b>2008/ 2009 £</b>	<b>2009/ 2010 £</b>
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
<b>REVENUE IMPLICATIONS</b>				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N	When?			
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

## List of Background Papers relied upon in the preparation of this report

History referred to  
Policy referred to



<b>Sefton Council</b> Planning & Economic Regeneration Department Andy Wallis - Director <small>Planning &amp; Economic Regeneration is part of the          Regeneration &amp; Environmental Services Directorate</small>	S/2009/1112 Netherton Moss Primary School, Swifts Lane Netherton L30 3RU		Standard Site Plan Scale: 1:2500 Date: 30/12/2009 Drawn By: BERRON	
	OSGR: 335125, 399310	Sheets: 1316, 1300	Area: 30085 sqm	
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## **The Site**

Comprises Netherton Moss Primary School, Swifts Lane, Netherton.

The application has been called in by Councillor M. Dowd.

## **Proposal**

Erection of 2 metre high fencing to the perimeter of the school site

## **History**

S/1999/0056 2.4m high paladin fence. Approved 1/4/99.

S/1999/0569. Provision of a new car park. Withdrawn.

S/1999/0569 Provision of a new car park. Withdrawn 29/01/2001

S/2002/0651 New car park. Withdrawn 29/10/2002.

S/2003/0803. Installation of a new car park . Approved 29/12/09.

S/2004/1344. Erection of a pitched roof Approved 25/1/05.

S/2004/1049. Access ramp. Approved 27/10/04.

## **Consultations**

Local Policy- Views awaited

Environmental Protection-No objections.

Highways DC- Views awaited.

Tree Officer- Views awaited.

## **Neighbour Representations**

Last date for replies: No objections but the application has been called in by Councillor M.Dowd.

## **Policy**

The application site is situated in an area allocated as Urban Greenspace on the Council's Adopted Unitary Development Plan.

CS3 Development Principles

DQ1 Design

G1 Protection of Urban Greenspace

## **Comments**

The issues to consider here are the affects that this proposal will have on the character of the street scene, on the amenities of the adjoining premises, on highway safety and on the Urban Green space . The design of the fence will also be considered.

The property subject of this application is Netherton Moss Primary School, Swifts Lane, Netherton.

The proposal is for the erection of 2m high fencing to the perimeter of the school grounds.

The application has been called in by Councillor Mark Dowd.

The fence to be erected around the perimeter of the school site will be of a mesh design and will be 2m high. The fence will be coloured green and will follow the line of the lower school railings which have been in situ for many years and which are considered dangerous and in need of replacement. There are a number of trees which will need some works undertaken in order to allow the fence to be erected.

The application is a result of the Council's commitment to improving school sites with better levels of security and the type of fence chosen is common throughout Sefton and indeed the Country where a secure boundary is required. The manufacturers of the fence believe it to be very robust from acts of vandalism and state that it is very difficult, if not impossible, to climb over.

The existing pedestrian and vehicular accesses will remain with new gates being supplied across these openings and all of these will open inwards and therefore will not impinge upon the highway or pedestrian foot walks at all.

There are already stretches of the same type of fence further into the school boundaries which have been erected around the school's buildings and which offer some degree of security, the idea now being to protect the school's grounds and play equipment.

Environmental Protection have no objections to the proposals.

Highways DC-Views awaited.

Local Policy- Views awaited.

Having taken all of the above into account, it is my opinion, that this fencing will improve the appearance of the site replacing older fencing which is dangerous, will improve the security of the site and will have no significant detrimental affect on the adjoining residential premises, on highway safety or on the Urban Greenspace and therefore I recommend that planning permission be granted subject to conditions.

#### REASONED JUSTIFICATION

It is considered that this proposal, by reason of its siting and design, would have no significant detrimental affect on the Urban Greenspace, on Highway Safety or on the amenities of the adjoining residential premises and therefore it complies with UDP Policies CS3,DQ1 and G1.

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