

Supporting information

Gate Installation

1. Gate to access site – the installation of the gate has prevented fly tipping which was preventing me from accessing my garages. The constant dumping of rubbish was not only preventing me from accessing my garage but was also a health hazard due to the unknown nature of the toxic materials dumped and it created a haven for pests such as mice and rats.
2. The gate has prevented anti social behaviour such as drug abuse and general gathering of drunkards and other criminal activity.
3. The gate does not cause an obstruction to road users as there are two garages next to the gate that currently have their access facing the road and consequently require their users to stop on the roadside before the garage doors can be opened and vehicles driven inside.
4. There is also a free parking space only a few meters from the gate which would result in the same level of highway obstruction as someone parking to open the gate.
5. The road is not a major highway and the number of vehicles using the road is limited mainly to local residents and the road is wide enough to accommodate any vehicle to safely pass any vehicle parked before the gate while opening the gate.
6. The gate can be painted a colour which would blend it in with the surroundings to make it less conspicuous.

Containers

1. The siting of the two containers at the rear of the site has prevented further fly tipping and were sited on the land which was previously occupied by fly tipped materials and overgrowth which have both been removed and the site cleaned. The area occupied by the containers was also where the anti social behaviour was taking place and on a number of occasions I was confronted by drunken and disorderly persons when attempting to access my garage. Thus, the siting of the containers in that area has ensured that I no longer have to deal with these issues.
2. The containers are at the rear of the site and are barely visible to anyone passing by.
3. Further enhancements to the containers such as covering the sides with ivy screening could be undertaken to ensure that they are completely inconspicuous to pedestrians passing by.
4. The site is otherwise occupied by garages which are mainly used for storage, the siting of two additional containers for storage would not significantly change the overall usage of the site.