

## DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

### Introduction

This Design and Access Statement has been prepared by Pegasus Group on behalf of Upper Heyford LP to accompany a planning application for the erection of a 64m length of fence to the rear of the footway along Camp Road, Heyford Park, Upper Heyford, OX25 5TD.

The purpose of a Design and Access Statement is to describe the process and rationale behind the proposed Development in a structured way. The need for a Design and Access Statement falls under Section 42 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, and by virtue of the proposed development not falling within the scope of an exemption given that its height would exceed 2m and that it would be located within the Former RAF Upper Heyford Conservation Area.

Notwithstanding the need for a Design and Access Statement, 'Guidance on information requirements and validation' (DCLG, March 2010) makes it clear that "Statements must be proportionate to the complexity of the application, but need not be long" (para 101).

Accordingly, this Design and Access Statement covers the following matters:

- Background
- Amount
- Layout
- Scale
- Landscaping
- Appearance
- Use
- Access Considerations

### Background

The proposed fence would extend from the western end of the recently consented Cat and Dog Proof Fence to join with an existing chain link fence located to the west (see **Drawing D.0340\_23-2**).

The requirement for this fence arises following Section 278 works to Camp Road which has resulted in a short gap in the fencing. The fencing is therefore required to protect wildlife within the flying field to the north of Camp Road from predation from domestic animals. Effectively, the proposed fence would form a western extension to the Cat and Dog Proof Fencing consented under Condition 19 of planning permission 10/01642/OUT, which was discharged 28 October 2015 (reference: 15/00364/DISC).

### Amount

The proposed fence would extend for a length of 64m

### Layout

The proposed fence would be located to the rear of the footway along Camp Road (see **Drawing D.0340\_23-3**), between existing fencing.

### Scale

The proposed fence would be to a maximum height of 2.05m above ground level (comprising 1.8m high fencing with 60 degree overhang), and dug into the ground.

### Landscaping

Not applicable

### Appearance

The proposed fence would comprise a chain link fence extending between concrete posts and fixed by metal brackets and include a 60° chain link overhang at the top extending between metal brackets fixed to the concrete posts. The details of the proposed fence are shown on **Drawing D.0340\_24**.

The design of the proposed fence is as the recently consented Cat and Dog Fence (Option 2) which is to be erected immediately to the east. It is therefore considered to be appropriate to and consistent with other fencing previously consented with the Former RAF Upper Heyford Conservation Area.

### Use

The proposed fence would secure the flying field for access and protect wildlife within the flying field from predation from domestic animals.

### Access Considerations

The proposed fence would form a barrier to entry to the flying field to the north of Camp Road. Alternative access is provided through a formal gateway to the west.

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