

The Gateway School
at St Johns Centre Tiffield
Design and Access Statement

Design:

- Use** The field will be used by the Gateway School to provide recreation and sports facilities in line with the national curriculum
- Size** The area of playing field to be enclosed extends to approx 8640m²
- Layout** The layout of the site is as existing, and therefore has been somewhat predetermined.
- Landscape** Apart from the erection of the fencing the landscape of the site will remain the same.
- Appearance** The proposed fencing is of standard welded mesh, attached to steel posts. The mesh size to be 75 x 25mm set vertically with galvanised finish, all attached to 60 x 40mm galvanised RHS posts set into concrete at 3m centres. The fencing to be 3m high apart from the west and east boundaries where it is proposed to increase the height to 4m to prevent balls going over the top, as shown on the attached plan. All entrance gates to be of a similar construction and appearance to the main fencing. Although the accompanying photos do not show the exact mesh size and finish, it does give an indication as to the appearance of the finished fence.

Access:

The fencing design takes account of:-

<u>Approach</u>	Within the limits of the site the fencing has been positioned to create ease of access for all users, not only the field but the whole site.
<u>Parking</u>	Not applicable.
<u>Entrances</u>	Access to the site is as existing with no need for any alterations. Specific access to the field will be via entrance gates as marked on the enclosed plan.
<u>Horizontal and Vertical circulation</u>	The horizontal circulation within the fenced field has been carefully planned to accommodate all users regardless of disability. Vertical Circulation is not applicable.
<u>Access to all Services</u>	Not applicable.
<u>Emergency Egress</u>	The design of the fencing will ensure and assist evacuation should an emergency need occur. All travel routes have been carefully planned and emergency exit facilities provided. Evacuation planning is recorded and regularly tested by the occupiers.

Ian Shanks
Northamptonshire County Council
Children and Young Peoples Service – Buildings and Capital Development
November 2008

Ref DA/01