

## Design and Access Statement

### Replacement Boundary Fence

**Site:** Land at Chapel Lane, [Holcombe](#)

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### Introduction

This statement supports a planning application for the **replacement of an existing boundary fence** at land on Chapel Lane within the Holcombe Conservation Area.

The current fence is **old, deteriorating and partially collapsed**, resulting in an untidy appearance and inadequate boundary enclosure.

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### Site and Surroundings

The site lies along Chapel Lane in the village of Holcombe, an area characterised by **traditional rural features including stone walls, hedgerows and timber fencing**.

The existing boundary fence has deteriorated over time and is now in poor condition.

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### Proposed Development

The proposal is to **remove the existing damaged fence and replace it with a new timber fence** in the same position.

The new fence will:

- Follow the **existing boundary line**
- Be of **similar height and scale to the current fence**
- Use **simple timber materials appropriate to the rural setting**

The replacement will provide a **safe, tidy and visually appropriate boundary treatment**.

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### Impact on the Conservation Area

The proposal will **not harm the character or appearance of the Holcombe**

**Conservation Area.** Instead, it will improve the visual appearance of the boundary by replacing a failing structure with a **well-maintained and traditional style fence**.

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### **Access**

There are **no changes to pedestrian or vehicle access** as part of this proposal.

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### **Conclusion**

The proposal represents a **minor improvement to the site**, replacing a deteriorating fence with a simple timber boundary treatment that is appropriate for the character of Chapel Lane and the wider conservation area.