
Cover Letter for Retroactive Planning Application at 50 Craigwell Rd

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of my client to request retroactive planning permission for the existing fence at 50 Craigwell Road. The fence was installed at a height that unfortunately exceeds planning requirements due to misinformation from the tradesman.

To rectify this, my client proposes to reduce the fence height from 3.5 metres to 3.2 metres, minimising its visual impact.

It's important to note that the client's garden sits roughly 1.5 metres above street level. Reducing the fence height too drastically would compromise the client's privacy due to this significant elevation difference. The proposed reduced height maintains privacy; however, any further reduction in height would render the fence ineffective.

As a site visit would demonstrate, even at the fence's existing height, it does not obstruct views to the highway.

To further minimise the visual impact and enhance the appearance, the client has agreed to add climbing plants on a trellis over the fence, which will contribute positively to the streetscape.

Yours sincerely,

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