

Shepway District Council

Conservation Consultancy Advice:

212	Case ref. no:	Y17/0352/SH
Property Address:	The Experimental Station, Dungeness Road, Dungeness	
Proposals:	Erection of replacement fence along with the relocation of two existing gates, the removal of one gate and the installation of one new gate	
Application Type	Planning Permission	
Agent:	Johnson Naylor, London	
General Comments Operative Conditions?		
Listing / C/A?	Conservation Area, Article 4 Direction; Special landscape Area (SLA) ;Designated undeveloped Coast (policy CO6), Dungeness Special Area of (nature) Conservation (SAC); SSSI	
Date Consult Received:	28/03/2017	
Date Comments Sent:		

Comments:

General Description:

The Experimental Station is on the extreme southern tip of Dungeness Point, just to the South of Dungeness Road and about 150m East of the nuclear power station compound. The fenced compound extends South East from opposite the old lighthouse.

Historic Building Description and Significance:

The fenced compound consists of a collection of small flat roofed brick buildings, clustered around a concrete courtyard, reached by a concrete roadway extending South East from the roadway passing by the old lighthouse. This roadway extends the length of the site right towards the sea and here there is a further flat roofed building with a pylon mast and a hut right on the edge of the beach. The whole facility is enclosed by a low chain link fence supported on concrete posts, an area about 300m in length by about 40m in width, narrower at the North-West end where the approach driveway runs alongside, but outside the fence, to the main entrance where the site boundary is partly undefined. This fence is very derelict and broken down in places.

Development Proposals:

The replacement of the entire perimeter fence by a new fence comprising of oak fence posts at about 3 ½ m centres with lateral stainless steel tension wires between, forming the fence, and with oak fence and brace gates, also with tension wires to match.

The boundary is to be slightly realigned at the main entrance where the gate is to be moved by about 3m and the fence to the left of it also shifted slightly.

Relevant Documents:

Johnson Naylor Drawings:

- 977-11-200 Rev00 – Site Plans and Photos
- 977-11-201 Rev00 – Detailed Site Plan
- 977-11-202 Rev00 – Details of Fence and Gates
- 977-11-203 Rev00 – Details of Fence and Gates

Design and Access Statement

Additional Information:

Aerial View (Bing)

Comments:

This fence is derelict and requires replacement. The replacement design is more sympathetic to the environment with oak posts and stainless steel wires forming the most unobtrusive boundary possible. The overall appearance of the site will be improved as a result.

Recommendations:

Grant – no conditions