

The Grange Association is the amenity association for the Grange Conservation Area. I am writing as instructed by the Association's committee to object to the gates included in this planning application.

The Character Appraisal of this conservation area values the use of gates that allow a view through to the gardens. It states "Variations in boundary type, design and material, the visual permeability of railings, gates and planting, and regular punctuation with pedestrian gates reduces the 'barrier' effect by allowing glimpse views." The proposed wooden gates would destroy glimpse views and would not "preserves or enhances the special character or appearance of the conservation area" it would not be "consistent with the relevant conservation area character appraisal" and would not preserve "other features which contribute positively to the character of the area" (policy Env6).

Our Association requests that the proposed gates be changed in order to comply with policy Env6 and contribute positively to the character of the area.