
Fw: The CURRENT route is inherently UNSAFE - Re: 25/00905/PIP - Baltic Street West self-build home - APPLICANT'S COMMENTS to be communicated to the committee members via email prior to the meeting

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Dear Committee Members

So busy reading the 64 page Officer's Report that I neglected to get out and take photos of the **existing dangerous shortcut pedestrian route across the site.**

Officer's Report

DM16.2 "The loss of a pedestrian route will normally only be permitted where an alternative public pedestrian route of at least an equivalent standard is provided.... the shortest practicable routes between relevant points. "

Applicant's comments

The CURRENT route across the site is inherently UNSAFE.....the current marginally-shorter route takes pedestrians to the top of the ramp where there is only a crush space on the ramp. Shortcutting across the site delivers pedestrians to a section of the ramp which is fenced off from the footpath. **There are Listed railings designed to prevent/ discourage pedestrians being trapped on the vehicular ramp.**

A better and safer route exists between the West of Baltic Street and the top of the ramp to the underground garages - by continuing East towards the school across the car park entrance outside the barrier and along the continuous pavement to the West of Hatfield House entrance, down the steps and along the footpath to the car park - which is far better maintained and adds only a de minimis few metres to distance.



ramp with safe pedestrian footpath to South (right) of Listed railings; crush space to North (left)



Listed railings to discourage pedestrian use of ramp.

Again I look forward to working with all to bring this project **safely** to fruition.

Yours faithfully

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