

Operational Procedure 11

Fencing and Walls

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FENCING AND WALLS

- 1.0 The council will repair and maintain all divisional fencing / walls to the standard defined below. Divisional is defined as those separating two properties whether council or privately owned.
- 2.0 The council will repair and maintain all boundary fences / walls. A boundary is defined as one, which separates the council property from a road, footpath, public area, field or large non-domestic property.
- 3.0 Fence Standard
 - Where boundary fences are next to pavements or communal foot paths, fences will be timber slatted, unless otherwise specified relevant to the nature of the scheme.
 - Where the back boundary is next to open ground i.e. fields or open areas in a scheme, fences will be post and wire.
 - All divisional fencing between tenants or owner occupiers will be post and wire.
- 4.0 Any request from a private owner to repair or contribute to repair of a divisional or boundary fence / wall must be treated as individual cases. The feu disposition is to be checked in all cases and costs apportioned accordingly if appropriate.
- 5.0 If the council has an obligation to share the cost with an owner-occupier the contribution or ordering of the work is to be in accordance with OP6.
- 6.0 Any fencing / walls replaced by the housing service as part of an environmental scheme is to be paid for by the housing service. Once installation is completed and outside of any defects liability period the repair responsibility is to be dealt with as for existing fences / walls.
- 7.0 In the event of any situation that does not fall readily within these guidelines, the Senior Housing Officer – Housing Technical is to be contacted for advice on how to proceed.