## IMPORTANT - THIS COMMUNICATION AFFECTS YOUR PROPERTY

Town and Country Planning Act 1990
(as amended by the Planning and Compensation Act 1991)

### **ENFORCEMENT NOTICE OPERATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Issued by: St Albans District Council

1. This Notice is issued by the council because it appears to them that there has been a breach of planning control, within paragraph (a) of section 171A(1) of the above Act, at the land described below. They consider that it is expedient to issue this notice, having regard to the provisions of the development plan and to other material planning considerations. The Annex at the end of the notice and the enclosures to which it refers contain important additional information.

#### 2. The Land To Which The Notice Relates

24 Francis Avenue, St Albans, Hertfordshire Shown edged red on the attached plan.

3. The Matters Which Appear To Constitute The Breach Of Planning Control It appears to the Council that the following breach of planning control has occurred within the last 4 years.

Erection of boundary enclosure exceeding 1 metre in height adjacent to a highway used by vehicular traffic.

# 4. Reasons For Issuing This Notice

The unauthorised enclosure is considered to be intrusive in the street scene and harmful to the character of the area where front gardens have low boundary treatment. It would also set a precedent for similar development to be carried out at properties elsewhere in the area. The enclosure is therefore detrimental to the visual amenity of the area in general. The enclosure is therefore contrary to Policy 69 (General Design and Layout), Policy 72 (Extension in Residential Areas) of the St Albans District Local Plan Review 1994.

### 5. What You Are Required To Do

Reduce the means of enclosure to 1 metre in height.

## 6. Time For Compliance

1 month after this notice takes effect.

#### 7. When This Notice Takes Effect

This notice takes effect on 8 June 2010 unless an appeal is made against it beforehand.

Dated: 27 April 2010

Signed:

M Lovelady LLB (Solicitor)

Head of Legal and Democratic Services

St.Albans District Council

On behalf of:

District Council Offices, Civic Centre,

St.Peter's Street, St.Albans, Herts. AL1 3JE

#### **ANNEX**

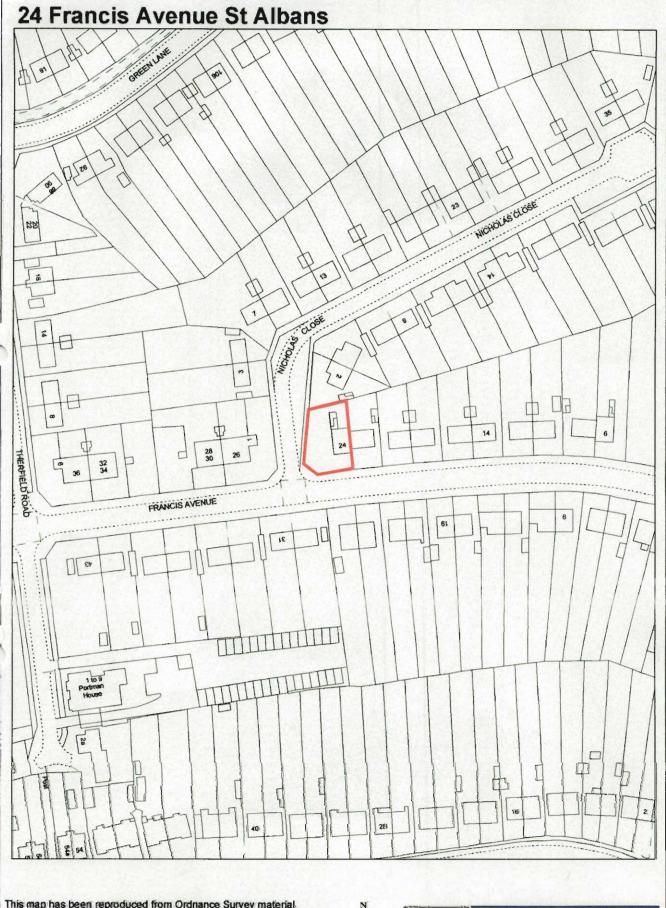
# Your Right of Appeal

You can appeal against this notice, but any appeal must be received, or posted in time to be received, by the Secretary of State before the date specified in paragraph 7 of the notice. The enclosed booklet "Enforcement Notice Appeals – A Guide to Procedure" sets out your rights. You may use the enclosed appeal forms.

- a) One is for you to send to the Secretary of State if you decide to appeal, together with a copy of this enforcement notice.
- b) The second copy of the appeal form and the notice should be sent to the Council
- c) The third copy is for your own records.

# What Happens If You Do Not Appeal

If you do not appeal against this enforcement notice, it will take effect on the date specified in paragraph 7 of the notice and you must then ensure that the required steps for complying with it, for which you may be held responsible, are taken within the period specified in paragraph 6 of the notice. Failure to comply with an enforcement notice which has taken effect can result in prosecution and/or remedial action by the Council.



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