

# Vertical bar fencing secures scout facilities

## Jacksons Fencing

#### **Products**

- Barbican Fencing
- Barbican Pedestrian and Vehicular Gates

### Background

The first Scout group was formed in 1907 by Robert Baden-Powell, with just 20 members. His aim was to bridge gaps in society by bringing young people from different backgrounds together, and offer the opportunity for everyone to learn new skills, including tracking, fishing, and studying the natural world. Within two years there were 100,000 Scouts in the UK alone. Today, there are over half a million members belonging to the Scout groups: Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, and the Scout Network. Over 112,000 volunteers are involved in running the 7500 Scout groups across the UK; teaching key skills and organising activities for young people aged 6-25.

In a small seaside town in Kent, the 4th Broadstairs Scout Group is located just off the high street, which in the summer becomes very busy with tourists and residents visiting the beach, and the town's various events and festivals.

The building, which was built in 1955, had fallen into disrepair, and the group spent 15 years fundraising for new cladding and windows which were installed in 2020. In 2024, the group will be celebrating their 100th birthday, having previously been at another location in the town, so they wanted the site to be looking its best to celebrate. New fencing and gates were also required to replace the existing fencing that protects the building and vehicles stored at the site. The fencing and gates also had to match the aesthetic of the newly refurbished building.



#### Solution

The existing fencing had rusted considerably, with the mesh coming away from the frame and posts. Not only did it not fit with the updated appearance of the building, but it was unsafe and provided limited security.

Having seen our fencing installed in the local area and realising the benefit of our 25 year guarantee, our Barbican® vertical bar railings were chosen to secure the site. Barbican® has an anti-climb design and strong tubular construction which is galvanised inside and out to provide protection from rust and corrosion. Additionally, it has no visible bolts or rivets which could be removed to gain access, and has tamper proof panel-to-post connectors.

To match the fencing, a double leaf gate was also required, which was made to a custom width to allow the minibus to be able to swing in and out of the driveway. A pedestrian gate was also installed, which allows safe, convenient access for staff and members. The vertical bar design provides good visibility, which increases security but also helps with lines of sight when the minibus pulls into the road.

With their welded pale-through-rail design, Barbican® fencing and gates provide a secure perimeter security and access control solution without looking intimidating. They were additionally polyester powder coated black to complement the colours of the building and to provide an extra layer of protection.

Throughout the years our Barbican® fencing solutions have been used to secure and protect many Scout huts and facilities across the UK. Often powder coated Black, the design, style and longevity of the product fits perfectly with the requirements of new and refurbished Scout projects.



Barbican® Pedestrian and Vehicular Gates



Barbican® vertical bar railings

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