



Stage one proposals

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Proposal of works

This document serves to write in detail, the proposals for stage one of the Middleton Towers railway station restoration. The final signed-off agreement will be between Network Rail and Middleton Towers Railway Station CIC and will only be for the proposed works listed below.

Stage one of the proposed works for the Middleton Towers site will enable our organisation to access the Network Rail land without the requirement to traverse over Sibelco property.

The below proposed works will add an eye-catching appeal to the level crossing area, for passers-by to see that work has begun to restore the station site. All work could feasibly be completed by our volunteers on one or two days, always a Sunday when there are no sand train operations.

All proposed works in this document will be fully funded by Middleton Towers Railway Station CIC.

Scope of work	Timeframe	Working day
1. Installation of a platform access picket gate next to the level crossing.	1-2 hours	Sunday
2. Installation of a picket fence panel next to the level crossing.	1-2 hours	Sunday
3. Attaching a promotional vinyl banner to the newly-installed picket fence panel.	5 minutes	Sunday
4. Installation of heras fencing on the land opposite the station site.	2-4 hours	Sunday
5. Painting of railway crossing gate posts.	1-2 hours	Sunday
6. Clearance of vegetation and ivy from the stationary freight wagon and from the back of the ticket office building.	2-3 hours	Sunday
7. Pressure washing of the platform.	1-2 hours	Sunday

1. **Platform access gate** - Our team proposes the installation of a picket gate to the left of the level crossing gates. This will enable our volunteers to access the platform and the rest of the Network Rail land without the need to traverse over Sibelco land. The gate will replace the panel marked **A** on the below drawing.

Specifications - 1x round top picket garden gate, covered in primer and undercoat, followed by weather resistant white gloss paint.

Dimensions: 1200mm high x 900mm wide.

To be purchased from:

<https://www.clarkesofwalsham.co.uk/product/round-top-picket-garden-gate-1200mm-x-900mm/>

2. **Fence panel** - We also propose the removal and replacement of 1x fence panel, to the right of the proposed entrance gate. The current panel is highly damaged and will need replacing. The panel will be a like-for-like replacement for panel **B** on the drawing below.

Specifications - 1x round top fence panel, covered in primer and undercoat, followed by weather resistant white gloss paint.

Fence & gate painting - Dulux white primer & undercoat, plus Dulux Trade weathershield exterior high gloss paint - pure brilliant white.

Dimensions: 1200mm high, 1830mm wide.

To be purchased from:

<https://www.clarkesofwalsham.co.uk/product/garden-picket-fence-panel-round-top-rtp120-1200mm-x-1830mm/>

3. **Promotional banner** - our team wishes to put up a weather-proof promotional banner on the picket fence panel, to show that our team are now working on the site and to promote our project to passers-by. The banner (marked as C) would be attached to the new fence panel marked **B** on the below drawing, and would be secured using plastic zip ties.

Specifications - rectangular white vinyl banner with navy and black logos and text.

Dimensions: 890mm high x 1756mm wide.

4. **Heras fencing** - in order to secure the land opposite the station, marked with an X on the below drawing, our team proposes the installation of 5-10 heras fence panels, secured down with fence feet. This fencing will be provided by one of our volunteers free of charge. The fence will approximately cover the area marked with a yellow outline below.

Our team also propose that we cut any shrubs or overgrown grass on this site, provided it is within the boundaries of the heras fencing.

5. **Painting crossing gate posts** - as part of our proposals to give the crossing gate area a new lease of life, our team propose that we paint the 7 gate posts marked on the maps below. Such works may require power washing or manual cleaning of the posts prior to painting.

We also wish to paint a fence panel on the other side of the level crossing, again using dulux white primer & undercoat, plus Dulux Trade weathershield exterior high gloss paint - pure brilliant white.

6. **Clearance of vegetation & ivy** - in order to fully understand the land available to us, while ensuring that the vegetation and ivy is kept to a minimum, we propose the trimming of the vegetation in the garden area and on the infilled siding. This work will solely involve hand tools including: a petrol-powered lawnmower, strimmers and brushcutters, pruning saws, looper shears, reciprocating saws, rakes, hand trowels and hand saws.

For the work on the back of the ticket office building, a secure ladder will be used, with one volunteer holding the ladder in place, while another volunteer passes the tools to the volunteer on the ladder completing the work on the ivy.

7. **Pressure washing of the platform** - our team proposes the use of a volunteer-owned Karcher K2 pressure washer and a broom to wash away and clean the platform area, removing residue, moss and leaves. There is a functioning water tap on the platform, next to the waiting room building.

Traffic management plan

- 1x orange traffic/pedestrian barrier, 4m from the edge of the south side of the level crossing, with one volunteer standing behind, facing traffic coming from the south directing the traffic to slow down with hand gestures and voice.
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- 6x orange hi vis traffic cones to be used in between the two traffic barriers to mark area for traffic to avoid and to help protect our volunteers from traffic.

Track visitor passes

Total 5x TVPs required for volunteers onsite. 2x volunteers directing traffic around the works at the level crossing. 3x volunteers will carry out the works at the crossing.

- A - proposed platform access gate
- B - proposed replacement fence panel
- C - proposed promotional banner



Heras fencing proposal



An example of a heras fence panel currently in the possession of one of our volunteers.



Ticket office back wall - removal of ivy



Stationary freight wagon - removal of ivy



Platform - pressure washing & removal of moss

