

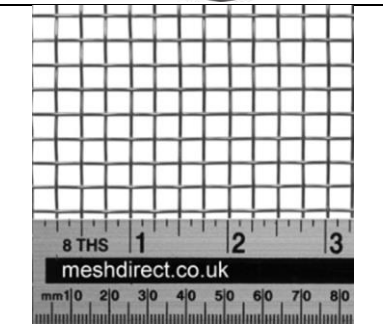




## Prospective Measures to Safeguard the Integrity of Tennis Courts

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Item	Item Description	Picture	Cost
<b>Anti Climb Security Paint</b>	Anti Climb Security Paint is designed to deter intruders as it never dries which makes it very difficult to climb on and is very difficult to remove from clothing. It is an economic but effective way of deterring those who would climb a fence. May require 2-3 coats to maintain film thickness. Durability is dependent upon several factors including film thickness and temperature		Guide price:  £15 per litre Price varies by manufacturer and volume
<b>Anti Climb Fencing</b>	There are many forms of overhanging anti climb fencing. These can be applied in a vertical, lean over arm and Y top extensions format and can attach to most existing fencing systems. <i>(note: may require planning permission)</i>		Guide Price: £19 per linear meter
<b>Rotating Spikes</b>	Rotating Spikes are easily installed alongside most fencing systems. They rotate if an intruder climbs over making it extremely hard to get a grip. Not designed to harm or inflict injury. The design presents a strong visual deterrent which aims to discourage intruders.		Guide Price: £182 per 4lm (price varies based upon quantity supplied)
<b>Security Cameras</b>	There are a variety of security cameras available in the marketplace that utilise wireless technologies such as 4G and WiFi. This allows them to operate in rural settings. Modern security cameras have the capacity to record at night, provide a live view and to issue instant alert notifications. Activity is general saved onto a Micro SD Card. They can be powered via a mains connection, PoE, solar or battery		Guide Price: £600 (Single Camera, SD Card, 4G Sim; does not include installation cost)

<p><b>Upgrade Fencing</b></p>	<p>Installing a new and more advanced fencing system (<i>such as twin bar fencing</i>) is a straightforward step to improve the security of the courts. Twin Bar comprises a mesh panel with 6mm vertical wires sandwiched between two 8mm horizontal wires (8/6/8) and is designed to withstand impact and retain integrity. It is available in a variety of heights and colours to suit. Panels of twin bar mesh are generally available up to 3 metres high and be combined with another panel or adding netting to increase to heights of up to 6 metres (<i>planning maybe required</i>). The panels also have the advantage of being installed with tamper-proof bolts and noise-reducing pads.</p>		<p>Guide Price: £210 per linear meter (supply and install; excludes VAT)</p>
<p><b>Security Lighting</b></p>	<p>Outdoor security lighting is a cost-effective method of adding an additional level of security. Units are relatively cheap to purchase and can be powered by a mains connection, solar or battery feed. If lighting via a main connection, it would be best to use LED lights because they use less energy than older lighting systems and they last longer. Most outdoor security lighting units have a PIR sensor in-built which will trigger the lights to come on within a given radius. Consideration should be given to the most secure location to site the lighting unit</p>		<p>Guide Price: £35 per unit (excludes installation costs)</p>
<p><b>Metal Plating</b></p>	<p>Installing a form of metal panelling to vulnerable areas of the fence may prevent unwanted access. For example, if your fence allows people to pass sticks through and open the gate handle from outside the fence, installing panelling will reduce their access ability and thereby reducing unauthorised access to the courts.</p>		<p>Guide Price: £180 per sheet (excludes installation costs)</p>
<p><b>Signage</b></p>	<p>Installing signage discouraging antisocial behaviour and sign posting to a contact number should access be required will help to reduce unwanted access to the courts and potential damage to the fence and/or gate</p>		<p>Guide Price: £12 per sign</p>
<p><b>Ball Stop Netting</b></p>	<p>Ball stop netting is a versatile solution that can provide a deterrent to climbing an existing fencing system as well as preventing tennis balls leaving the court area (<i>note: may require planning permission</i>)</p>		<p>Guide Price: £78 per linear meter</p>

**Operational  
Process**

Implementing a clear set of steps for both public and staff members may help to reduce anti-social behaviour. For example, many parks will have a kiosk / café or amenity on site which could have a copy of the main access key for the gate. Gate signage could direct the public to the kiosk should they require access to the courts to retrieve an item (such as a ball). Signage could also include a telephone number to phone when access is required.



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