

Natural Ladders

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Natural ladders can occur when structures are built in close proximity without any consideration of the ease in which they might be scaled by a would-be offender. Various structures and forms can act as natural ladders that facilitate offending. Examples of natural ladders are provided below.



The lower fence can be used as a natural ladder to access the first floor balcony.



This utility structure can be used to gain access to the fence which then makes entry to the first floor balcony possible.



The fence and tree provide easy foot holds to gain access to the first floor balcony.



The height of the fence and the wooden awning provide easy access to the upstairs windows.



The street sign provides an opportunity to climb over the perimeter fencing and compromises the development's security.



The height of the fence and the metal pole provides access to the first floor flats.