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Contact Mr Stephen Day-Designing out Crime Officer

Dear Richard,

I am writing to you in my capacity as the Leicestershire Police Designing out Crime Officer (DOCO). Leicestershire Police have no formal objections in principle to the application however we would like to make the following observations.

In relation to the Outline planning application for up to 195 dwellings with all matters reserved except access. Land North of Barkby Road, Syston, Leicestershire.

I have now visited, and have reviewed the proposed development. There is a single vehicle entry point at Barkby Road running centrally through the development south to north. Internal roads allow access to all proposed dwellings as well as open space and play areas. Access for emergency services is acceptable and there are no permeability issues in this area.

Access is via a single vehicle entry points to the south of the development, which appears appropriate for a development of this size and emergency access is appropriate. There are no permeability issues in respect to this layout in my opinion.

Vehicle parking is in curtilage to dwellings which does offer good natural observation. I would recommend consideration of gable end windows were possible to increase the possible natural observation available. Some driveways are proposed to be shared, but this may provide additional areas of natural observation for residents.

Consideration of the use of CCTV coverage of the key vehicle entry point at Barkby Road is recommended to include Automatic Number Plate Recognition capability. This would add an element of general security to the development providing improved security. In the event of it being required appropriate General Data protection Act signage would need to be displayed.

A Section 38 Agreement is recommended to install an electrical spur to the nearest lamppost to the junction to site the CCTV camera. The remainder of the site is recommended to have general coverage of key areas including walkways, attenuation area and any other vulnerable areas.

Lighting throughout the site including the key vehicle entry points and other key areas such as walkways and open space as well as water attenuation should be to BS5489.



Wheelie bin storage and Cycles should be stored in secure areas where possible to avoid the potential for criminal use, as a ladder, mode of removal or arson risk for Bins or mode of escape in respect to Cycles.

Foliage is recommended to be to a height of 1m and trees are recommended to be trimmed to have no foliage lower than 2m from the ground. This will provide a 1m clear field of vision. Perimeter enclosure is recommended to be to a height of 1.8m in a material in keeping with the development.

General Recommendations

All door and window sets will be to PAS24 (2016) which is now included in building regulations. There are other considerations such as BS 6375 Security Locking and Fire Security and BS EN 50486 in relation to Audio and Video door entry systems. Consideration should be made to identify the most appropriate option for this site. Dwellings are recommended to have an Alarm System to BS7958, but there are other options on the Secured by Design portal which include BS6799 in relation to wire free alarm systems. Also, BS EN 50131 and PD 6662 in relation to wired systems.

1. Street lighting columns to BS 5489 are recommended.
2. Appropriate fencing should be used to enclose the perimeter and is recommended to be 1.8m in height. This can be via planting or manufactured fencing.
3. Key access points leading into the development should be considered for CCTV coverage supported by lighting to allow identification during day and night. This would allow vehicle and facial recognition in key areas. Appropriate signage should be in place to be compliant with the Data Protection Act.
4. Natural surveillance should be possible via ground level foliage being trimmed to 1m high and trees to have no foliage lower than 2m from the ground to allow a clear field of vision.
5. Vehicular parking is recommended to be in curtilage as part of the dwellings where possible. Communal parking should be supported by natural observation, lighting and be set in clearly defined areas to deter unauthorised access.
6. Consideration of Secured by Design principles is recommended and information in respect to the different standards is available on request.
7. Opportunities to explore the potential for S106/CIL funding should be undertaken with relevant parties if appropriate.
8. Dwellings are recommended to have an Alarm System to BS7958 with coverage of garages included where applicable.
9. Commercial sites may benefit from smoke cloaking devices to deter access and reduce potential loss.



10. An electrical spur is recommended under a section 38 agreement at each vehicular entry point leading into the development.
11. Consideration of Park Mark accreditation should be considered in the event of appropriate communal parking within the application.
12. Consideration of Safe Routes through open space and walkways should account for the use of women and girls.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact myself and I will be happy to assist.

Kind regards

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