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FAO Christopher J Harrison

Many thanks for your consultation dated 15th January 2025.

I wish to offer the following comments, which I have considered from a crime prevention perspective. It is acknowledged that this application is for Outline permission and the published site Layout drawing is indicative only.

The dwellings are generally arranged to overlook the access roads (and each other), without compromising privacy. The designated 'children's play' area is directly overlooked by various dwellings, from a variety of directions, which reflects best practice.

Without the benefit of elevation drawings, it would appear there are several locations where surveillance opportunities are compromised and will need to be addressed if this application is to fully comply with Policy DM10 - "Overlooked routes and spaces within and on the edges of development"

For example,

- 'corridor' between Units 6 and 7
- communal space between Units 9 and 10
- 'corridor' between gables of Units 16 and 17
- it is not evident if the space adjacent to Unit 20 is 'private' garden or partly communal space

In the event of a Reserved Matters application being submitted, the applicant should also demonstrate compliance with Policy DS7PO

"h) Incorporate measures to design out crime, **taking into consideration secured by design principles**"

These will include

- landscaping scheme – choice and location of plant species that ensures views are not obstructed and the effects of lighting are not impeded as foliage matures
- street lighting – a scheme exhibiting high uniformity and CRI values which will promote confidence and reassurance in the public realm
- exterior dwelling lighting – to protect vulnerable private spaces during darkness
- physical security – specification of exterior doors, windows, locking devices and glazing to protect dwellings and garages against forced entry. I recommend the deployment of dwelling doors and windows certified to PAS 24:2022 and including a pane of laminated

glazing (BS EN 356:2000) as appropriate. Garage vehicle entry doors certified to LPS 1175 or STS 202.

- Installation of modern intruder alarms – or provision within electrical circuits for easy installation at a later time

With the implementation of each of the above measures, I invite the application to consider achieving 'Secured by Design' accreditation for this development.

I shall be pleased to advise on any crime prevention matters arising from this application.

Best regards

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