

Response to Hampshire Constabulary's consultation response for application APP/19/00513 in relation to the proposed car park, Wellington Way

This note has been prepared in response to a consultation response received by the Hampshire Constabulary dated 14 June 2019 and has been prepared with reference to the proposed amendments to the elevations.

The background to the comments is that crime is regularly reported in Waterlooville town centre, including public order offences, criminal damage and anti-social behaviour. A multi-storey car park provides opportunities for crime and anti-social behaviour.

Of particular concern is that the car park will provide isolated spaces within which people might loiter and engage in crime and anti-social behaviour

The applicant will undertake to implement a scheme of CCTV and lighting throughout the car park, the details of which can be reviewed by the Designing Out Crime Officer.

Suggested wording:

A scheme of security lighting and CCTV shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority before the development hereby approved is commenced. The scheme shall be installed and be operational prior to first occupation of the development. The scheme shall be retained for the life of the development.

To reduce the opportunities for crime and anti-social behaviour, access to the upper car decks (both vehicular and pedestrian) must be restricted to authorised persons only.

It is the applicant's intention that any of the 137 car parking spaces not taken up by occupants of the proposed residential accommodation would be made available to support the town centre thus increasing the amount of available car parking spaces in the town centre to improve accessibility. It should be noted that the applicant's transport assessment report concludes that only 84 parking permits are likely to be taken up by occupants of the proposed residential accommodation.

Given the requirement for access to the whole car park by a variety of users, restricted access as suggested is not practical. The applicant is willing to enter into a scheme of management of the car park with the Council. This will include the details of the permit scheme and the hours of access to general users that are not registered permit holders. Additionally, it is proposed that the scheme of CCTV and lighting will also be a deterrent to potential criminal or anti-social behaviour.

The sides of the car park should be designed so that it is not possible to climb up the outside of the building to access the car decks.

The car park is designed according to its specific function. The elevational treatment has been designed to respond to the comments received regarding design comments. As noted the applicant will agree to a condition or obligation to provide full details of CCTV and lighting strategy.

To reduce the opportunities for crime and anti-social behaviour a CCTV system should be installed with cameras deployed throughout the car park (including the stair cores)

Agreed, see suggested wording of the condition.

To provide safety and security of those using the facility a high level of lighting should be provided throughout the development. The lighting should be designed to work in conjunction with the CCTV cameras.

Agreed, see suggested wording of the condition.

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