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7th March 2022 —

Dear Mr. Weaver,

SOUTHLEIGH PARK HOUSE, EASTLEIGH ROAD, HAVANT, PO9 2PE

Thank you for your letter of the 8th February 2022 and the opportunity to comment upon the application. Having considered the application I have the following comments to make with reference to the prevention of crime and disorder (Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)).

The National Planning Policy Framework makes clear the Government's continuing commitment to "create safe and accessible environments where crime and disorder, and the fear of crime, do not undermine quality of life or community cohesion and resilience".

National Planning Practice Guidance advises, that planning has a role in preventing crime and malicious threats. It reminds Local Authorities of their obligations under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (as amended), specifically "to exercise their functions with due regard to their likely effect on crime and disorder, and to do all they reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder."

The guidance advises: "Planning provides an important opportunity to consider the security of the built environment, those that live and work in it and the services it provides." It continues, "Good design that considers security as an intrinsic part of a masterplan or individual development can help achieve places that are safe as well as attractive, which function well and which do not need subsequent work to achieve



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or improve resilience.” “Good design means a wide range of crimes from theft to terrorism are less likely to happen by making committing those crimes more difficult.”

Clear definition of the different spaces within the development reduces the opportunities for crime and disorder.

Access to the elevations of the dwellings from the public realm must be prevented. All dwellings must sit within an area of private space. The private space to the rear of the dwelling must be enclosed by a robust boundary treatment at least 1.8m high. The semi-private space to the front and side front of the dwelling must be enclosed within a robust boundary treatment 1m high; or delineated in such a fashion that it is obviously private space. Hampshire Constabulary cannot support this application if the dwellings do not have this basic level of protection.

It is possible to access the side elevation of plot number 48 from an area of public open space, this increases the opportunities for crime and disorder. To reduce the opportunities for crime and disorder, an area of defensive space (private garden) should be provided along this elevation. The garden should be at least 1.5m wide and enclosed by a robust boundary treatment. The boundary treatment may be 1m in order to preserve natural surveillance of the open space from the ground floor window.

A number of rear garden boundary treatments can be accessed from areas of public open space (plots 34 to 36 are an example of this there are others), this increases the opportunities for crime and disorder. To reduce the opportunities for crime and disorder these boundary treatments should be 2.1m high made up as: 1.8m close boarded fence topped with 300mm of trellis. Defensive planting should be provided along these boundary treatments within the open space.

Some acquisitive crimes such as burglary and theft are often facilitated by easy access to the rear of the dwelling. For a number of dwellings external rear garden access is via a communal rear access footpath (plots 30 to 32 are an example of this there are others), this increases the opportunities for crime and disorder. To reduce the opportunities for crime and disorder all rear garden access should be in curtilage. However, if the Planning Authority is minded to grant consent to a scheme with such rear garden access arrangements, we would ask that the following security fittings are fitted to provide some security for the dwellings.

1. Each back gate should be fitted with a robust key operated lock that can be operated from both sides of the gate. The lock should be designed for external use.
2. A gate is fitted at the start of the communal access path.

These requirements should be secured by an appropriately worded condition attached to any consent.

To provide for the safety and security of residents and visitors lighting throughout the development must conform to the relevant sections of BS 5489-1:2020. To secure this we would ask that the following condition is attached to any consent:



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CONDITION: Prior to the commencement of works details of the lighting scheme shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The design of lighting scheme must comply with BS 5489-1:2020 and discharge any liabilities attached to that standard. The development shall only be carried out in accordance with the approved details and maintained thereafter.

REASON: To ensure safe and secure development and contribute to reducing crime and disorder, in accordance with the adopted Local Plan (Core Strategy), Policies CS8 and CS16 and the NPPF (As Amended).

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

S York
Designing Out Crime Officer

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