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Dear Mrs. Wright,

Thank you for your letter of the 4th October 2013 and the opportunity to comment upon the application. Having considered the application I have the following comments to make with reference to crime prevention.

The proposal appears to create a route from Wedgewood Way to Hart Plain Avenue. Such connectivity would change the status of Wedgewood Way from a cul-de-sac in to a leaky cul-de-sac. Such a change increases the vulnerability of the both the existing road and the proposed development to crime. The publication 'Safer Places the Planning System and Crime Prevention' gives the following guidance: "Homes in cul-de-sacs can be highly secure, but the cul-de-sac should be short and straight (to allow visibility from one end to the other)and should not be joined by networks of footpaths that are irregularly used but likely to foster criminal activity." To reduce the opportunities for crime I would recommend closing the existing access and incorporating the space into the existing gardens or that the access to the proposed development is from Hart Plain Avenue.



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

Yours sincerely,

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Crime Prevention Design Advisor

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