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1 LAVENDER ROAD, WATERLOOVILLE

Dear Mrs. Wright,

Thank you for your letter of the 3rd July 2012 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 shows a secure bin store located within the car park. Given that the shops are being rebuilt after a fire I would recommend that the store is built of brick (or similar). The doors should be made of a non combustible material (perhaps railings) and fitted with the correct fittings to enable the doors to be made secure.

The gap between the convenience store and unit number 2 should be closed, perhaps using railings (to allow for surveillance of the door that opens into the passageway). This would prevent a build up of waste materials between the two buildings; which ultimately led to the destruction of the buildings. Careful consideration will have to be given to the construction of this barrier to ensure it does not facilitate access to the roof. Should planning consent be granted consideration should be given to the imposition of a condition prohibiting the storage of materials between the buildings.

To provide for the safety of staff and customers I would recommend the installation of Closed Circuit TeleVision (CCTV) system within the stores. Cameras should be positioned to provide images of the entrances, the till areas, cash machine (if installed), post office (if to be provided) and general areas of the store.

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An appropriate level of lighting will be required within the car parking area. I note that the area is within the range of a CCTV camera provided by Havant Borough Council. Steps should be taken to ensure that any lighting provides for the effective operation of the CCTV camera.

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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