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Dear Mrs. Haywood,

Thank you for your letter of the 4th May 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.

As proposed the parking area for the proposed property is at the end of the garden behind a fence, this will isolate the vehicles from the dwelling increasing their vulnerability to crime. Theft from motor vehicles is a fairly common offence within the district; to reduce the opportunities for crime the vehicular access should be gated (as currently). The gates should be of robust construction and the same height as the adjacent boundary treatment. The gate should be fitted with a lock that can be operated from either side of the gate. The pedestrian gate giving access into the parking area from within the rear garden should also be fitted with a lock that can be operated from either side of the gate.

The pedestrian gate giving access to the rear garden of the proposed property is from a busy footpath that gives access to the recreation ground. To improve the security of the property this gate should be moved to the front of the building and used to close the access between the front and rear gardens.

The proposal creates a small alleyway to give access to the rear garden of the existing property. This alleyway compromises the security of both properties. To improve the security I recommend positioning a gate at the junction with the public highway. The gate itself should be of robust construction of a similar height to the adjacent boundary treatment and fitted with a lock that can be operated from either side of the gate.

Cycle stores are shown within both of the rear gardens. Theft of pedal cycles is a prevalent offence within the district, with many cycles being stolen from the home address of the owner. To reduce the opportunities for this type of crime I recommend



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the installation of a cycle anchor point (a Sheffield bar would be an example) within each store.

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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