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NEW TWO FORM PRIMARY SCHOOL – WEST OF WATERLOOVILLE DEVELOPMENT – WATERLOOVILLE

Dear Miss King,

Thank you for your letter of the 29th October 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.

I note that a list of the points raised during my meeting with the architect on the 12th May 2012 accompany this application. Of all the points covered during this meeting, I would reiterate that the areas of flat roof will be vulnerable, therefore, steps should be taken to prevent unauthorised access to the roof.

The proposed site is close to the local centre which will attract large numbers of visitors to keep an eye on the school. However, it also means that the school will be close to where people gather which will increase the vulnerability of the school. Therefore, it is important that the school is afforded the appropriate level of protection.

A number of cycle stores are shown on the plan. All of these stores are close to access gates which will make the cycles very vulnerable to crime. Cycle theft is a prevalent offence within the district. To reduce the opportunities for such crime the cycle stores should be moved further into the school grounds to allow for much better natural surveillance.

The plan shows two small court yards on the northern side. Areas such as this can become vulnerable to anti-social behaviour. Consideration should be given as to how casual access might be prevented should anti-social behaviour become a problem.



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Visitor access to the building appears to be via an air lock system and an intercom. However, it appears that visitors will be held prior to entering the reception area. Taken to its logical conclusion this could result in two persons being in the same space one to denied admittance the other to allowed admittance, this may cause some tension. At this point the reception staff will not be in a position to take control of the situation. Therefore, to provide for the safety and security of the all concerned I would recommend that visitors are allowed access to the reception area, with access further into the school being controlled by the reception staff. Looking at the plan it looks as though this would entail an additional door preventing access into the administration area corridor, an access control system being fitted to the doors giving access into the, Learning Resource Centre (number 27) and the Main Hall (number 16).

The plan shows a number of gates, care should be taken during the construction of these gates to ensure that the locking mechanism does not aid climbing over the boundary treatment.

Any planting should be such that it does not restrict the natural surveillance both within the site and from the outside in.

Often schools hold events during the evening which can result in large numbers of vehicles visiting the school. Some consideration should be given to the provision of additional on site parking. I would suggest that some consideration is given to providing a vehicular access route from the car park (number 4) to the play ground (number 13).

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

Yours sincerely,

S York
Crime Prevention Design Advisor

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