



Your Ref: WSCC/037/14/WC      Our Ref: PE/WSX/14/14/A      Date: 09<sup>th</sup> July 2014  
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Dear Mr Bartlett

**Re: Wood Barn Farm, Adversane Lane, Broadford Bridge, Billingshurst, West Sussex.**

Thank you for your letter of 20<sup>th</sup> June 2014, advising me of an application for the temporary installation of a security fence and security and accommodation cabins in association with planning permission LPA Ref: WSCC/052/12/WC at the above location, for which you seek advice from a crime prevention viewpoint.

I have had the opportunity to examine the detail within the application and in an attempt to reduce the opportunity for crime and the fear of crime I offer the following comments.

The proposal consists of;

- i) A set of gates 1.5 metres high and a security cabin at the initial entrance off the B2133.
- ii) Two security accommodation cabins and a security cabin at the area of operations.

The proposed height of the gates at the initial entrance are given as 1.5 metres high with adjoining fencing bordering the access track to the area of operations.

The proposed gates and fences at the area of operations are both shown as 4 metres in height. The fence consists of a 0.8 metre high base, 2.5 metre anti-climb weld mesh fence with a 0.7 metre topping of barbed wire.

The accommodation and security cabins will be manned 24/7 and are positioned so as to view the entrance gates at both locations.

I do not have any concerns from a crime prevention perspective regarding the application and fully support the security measures being proposed.

The Crime & Disorder Act 1998 heightens the importance of taking crime prevention into account when planning decisions are made. Section 17 of the Act places a clear duty on both police and local authorities to exercise their various functions with due regard to the likely effect on the prevention of crime and disorder. You are asked to accord due weight to the advice offered in this letter which would demonstrate your authority's commitment to work in partnership and comply with the spirit of The Crime & Disorder Act.

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This letter has been copied to the applicant or their agent who is asked to note that the above comments may be a material consideration in the determination of the application but may not necessarily be acceptable to the Local Planning Authority. It is recommended, therefore, that before making any amendments to the application, the applicant or their agent first discuss these comments with the Local Planning Authority.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P Edwards'.

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