



Local Policing Support Team

Your Ref: WSCC/011/21 Our Ref: LM/WSX/21/05A Date 14th April 2021
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Dear Mr Neave,

RE: Ford Circular Technology Park, Ford Road, Ford BN18 0XL

Thank you for your correspondence of the 13th of April 2021, advising me of a planning application for Demolition of existing buildings and structures and construction and operation of an energy recovery facility and a waste sorting and transfer facility for treatment of municipal, commercial and industrial wastes, including ancillary buildings, structures, parking, hardstanding, and landscape works at the above location, for which you seek advice from a crime prevention viewpoint.

The National Planning Policy Framework demonstrates the government's aim to achieve healthy, inclusive and safe places which are safe and accessible, so that crime and disorder, and the fear of crime, do not undermine the quality of life or community cohesion. With the level of crime and anti-social behaviour in Arun district being below average when compared with the rest of Sussex, I have no major concerns with the proposals, however, additional measures to mitigate against any identified local crime trends and site specific requirements should always be considered.

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 from a Secured by Design (SBD) perspective. SBD is owned by the UK Police service and supported by the Home Office and Building Control Departments in England (Part Q Security – Dwellings), that recommends a minimum standard of security using proven, tested and accredited products. Further details can be found on www.securedbydesign.com

I refer the applicant to previous correspondence from this office Your Ref: WSCC/036/20 dated the 8th July 2020 and Our Ref: LM/WSX/20/01A dated the 9th July 2020 to which all comments remain extant.

I understand that this new application is due to a redesign of development proposals.

Mr Neave
Planning Officer
County Planning
West Sussex County Council

Having reviewed the key significant changes from the previous application I offer the following comments.

I direct the applicant or their agent to our website at www.securedbydesign.com where the Secured by Design (SBD) Commercial Development 2015 document can be found. This is a comprehensive document that encapsulates both commercial developments where the public have no formal access, e.g. factory or office buildings, and those where public access is integral to the commercial use such as retail premises, leisure centres and public buildings. This document will be able to provide the applicant with in-depth crime prevention advice pertinent to the design and layout.

I was very pleased to note from the statements submitted in support of the above application, that the applicant has clearly demonstrated their understanding of the need for robust security measures such as secure perimeter fencing, the siting and use of CCTV and good levels of lighting.

The applicant may find the following documents of use regarding CCTV.

CCTV guidance for police requirements:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/378449/09-05-UK-Police-Requireme22835.pdf

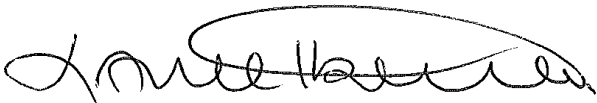
Details regarding CCTV and Data Protection can be found at the Information Commissioners Office website at: <https://icosearch.ico.org.uk/s/search.html?query=CCTV&collection=ico-meta&profile=default>

I also recommend that a set of Operational Requirements is created. This will enable the CCTV system to be used to its best ability ensuring that it is fit for purpose. Details on how to set up a set of O.R.'s can be found on the Home Office website; see CCTV Operational Requirements Manual 2009.

Thank you for giving me an opportunity to comment.

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.

Yours sincerely



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