

Case Officer: Stacey White.

Ref; 2021/1090



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7th October 2021

Dear Stacey,

With regard to: Hybrid application for residential development for 1,760 dwellings comprising: a) Full planning permission for: earthworks to create development platforms; strategic drainage ponds and associated drainage infrastructure; construction of a new link road; location of strategic landscaping and ecological areas; demolition of existing buildings; works to Hermit Lane; and erection of Phase 1 residential development comprising 229 dwellings b) Outline planning permission for: Residential development comprising 1,531 dwellings; new primary school; small shops and community facilities; and associated infrastructure works.

Site Address: Land south of Barugh Green Road and east of Higham Common Road, Barnsley.(Application 1)

Thank you for giving South Yorkshire Police 'Designing Out Crime Officers' (DOCO's) the opportunity to review this planning application.

I have concerns with regard to the standard of any street lighting that may be installed should there be any un-adopted roads within this application. This is following recent concerns from colleagues from (DOCO's) from within South Yorkshire and neighbouring Police Services.

I would kindly request that the following is considered in full by the Planning Department.

Design and Access Statements should refer to guides from Secured by Design should be incorporated into the main body of the application. This is to explain how a proposed development will ensure fire safety, and also incorporate civil resilience measures, that will enable access by emergency service vehicles with their personnel, and also include Secured by Design standards and principles.

Prior to the commencement of development (including ground works), a scheme detailing street lighting to all private (un-adopted) roads/drives/courtyards shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall not include low-level or bollard lighting. No dwellings accessed from private (un-adopted) roads/drives/courtyards shall be brought into use until the street lighting so approved has been installed and brought into use, and the street lighting shall be retained as such thereafter.

- https://www.securedbydesign.com/images/PCPI_LIGHTING_GUIDE_web.pdf

Reason: In the interests of residential amenity, highway safety, creating a safer, more sustainable neighbourhood and reducing the risk of crime and anti-social behaviour, and to accord with chapters 8 and 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

Section 17 Crime & disorder Act 1998 states, (As amended by the Police and Justice Act 2006*) states. "Without prejudice to any other obligation imposed on it, it shall be the duty of each authority to exercise its function with due regard to the likely effect of those functions and do all that is reasonable to prevent crime and disorder in its area - including Anti-social Behaviour*, Alcohol* and Drugs*".

Whilst it is accepted that with the introduction in 2016, of Approved Document Q of the Building Regulations, It is no longer appropriate for local authorities to attach planning conditions relating to technical door and window standards, I would encourage the planning authority to note the experience gained by the UK Police service over the past 28 years in this specific subject area.

That experience has led to the provision of a physical security requirement considered to be more consistent than that set out within Approved Document Q of the Building Regulations (England);

Specifically the recognition of products that have been tested, to the relevant security standards, but crucially that they are also fully certificated by an independent third party, who are accredited by UKAS (Notified Body).

This provides assurance that products will have been produced, in a controlled manufacturing environment, in accordance with the specifiers aims and minimises misrepresentation of the products by unscrupulous manufacturers/suppliers, and leads to the delivery on site, of a more secure product.

I would therefore request that the benefits for using certified products be pointed out to the applicant, and that Barnsley Planning Department encourages assessment for this application.

For a complete explanation of certified products please refer to the Secured by Design guidance documents which can be found on the website www.securedbydesign.com

- Homes 2019
- New Schools 2014
- Sheltered Accommodation
- Commercial 2015
- Secured Environments
- Youth Shelters and Sports Systems
- Standards for Public Cycle Parking
- Construction Site Security Guide 2021

Can I request further that if planning approval is given for this development, that individual Secured by Design applications for each phase be submitted prior to the commencement of the development.

Ultimately, this would enable the development to achieve Secured by Design accreditation, or as a minimum to encompass the principles and practice of Secured by Design, thereby creating safer and more sustainable community.

Should you wish to discuss these recommendations, or Breeam Hea 06 Safety and Security requirements please don't hesitate and contact me.

The services of the Police Designing Out Crime Officers (DOCOs) are available free of charge by using the contact details as below.

Kindest Regards

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