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Subject: Planning Application 24/0467

Good Afternoon,

I am the Design Out Crime Officer (DOCO) for Gwent Police.

I am contacting you regarding planning application 24/0467 - Llanwern Village Development Site Phase 1 Cot Hill Llanwern Newport NP18 2DP

The proposed application is regarding the development of x2 playing fields, associated buildings, carpark, and allotment area.

I have reviewed the crime statistics for the ward area (Llanwern) and specifically the proposed development location of Milton/Llanwern itself for a 12 month period between April 2023 - April 2024.

Focusing on the crime/incident types of Residential Burglary, Criminal Damage, Vehicle Crime, Theft, and Anti-Social Behaviour I present the below statistics for the area and site itself.

The proposed location is north of Milton and Llanwern village. These locations site within the Llanwern Policing ward which is 1 of 6 wards within the overall Maindee Policing area.

Crime/Incident Type	Ward (Maindee)	Area (Llanwern)	Site (Milton and Llanwern)	Demand % (Ward & Area)	Demand % (Ward & Site)
Residential Burglary	101	11	2	11%	2%
Criminal Damage	447	29	7	6%	2%
Vehicle Crime	328	22	3	7%	1%
Theft	180	26	4	14%	2%
ASB	950	66	4	7%	0.5%

**'Site' means within close proximity (same street, near by/adjacent streets/roads) of the proposed planning application*

I can confirm that the current call volume and demand from the area (Milton and Llanwern) is not having a detrimental effect on Policing or the community within the location.

At this time I do not have any clear objections to the application.

From reviewing the plans I make the following physical security recommendations regarding the proposed development in line with guidance from Secured by Design (SBD).

Allotment -

From reviewing drawing *P22-0593_EN_003* I note the proposed boundary for the allotment will be a native hedgerow combined with an entrance gate. There are no details of the height of this hedgerow or gate. SBD recommend that a boundary line and gate share the same physical properties as one another so no vulnerable areas are created. At present the

proposed boundary line of solely a native hedgerow allow the allot area to be easily breached with minimal tools. I would recommend that a metal fence, ideally to 1.8m is installed to the allotment boundary combined with the defensible planting provided by hedgerow. This fence will then support the entrance gate that should present the same physical attributes (height, construction, design).

I would recommend that the gate is secured by a Sold Secure number lock. This mitigates the use and issuing of keys and should any breaches or misuse of the allotment area occur the code can easily be changed.

Lighting -

I would recommend that the communal parking area for both the allotment and football pitches is lit with column lighting to BS 5489:1-2020. Bollard lighting can be used as a wayfinding method but not as a primary light source.

For the Pavillion building I would recommend dusk to dawn lighting is fitted to the building shell to provide a constant light coverage during the hours of darkness. The location of the site is quite isolated and could be vulnerable to crime and ASB if not properly lit.

Pavillion Windows -

I would recommend that the 4 small windows allow access to the changing rooms within the Pavillion are to a minimum standard of PAS24:2022. Consideration could be made for roller shutters to be fitted external to provide an additional layer of security. At present the location of the site is in a low crime area but is isolated. As there Pavillion may not be used constantly through the week the ability to protect the windows from any potential crime maybe beneficial. If shutters are fitted I recommend they are to a minimum security standard of LPS 1175 Issue 8 A1.

Pavillion Doors -

It is also important that the choice of door is fit for purpose. BS 6375-2:2009 specifies performance requirements for the operation and strength of manually operated internal/external pedestrian doorsets in their fully finished condition. In simple terms, this means testing a doorset to ensure that it will withstand the demands of being opened and closed repeatedly over a significant period of time. Like the windows I would recommend that the doors at minimum are to a security standard of PAS24:2022. If additional security layers are required external shutters can be fitted. I recommend they are to a minimum security standard of LPS 1175 Issue 8 A1.

CCTV -

CCTV is an excellent way of providing formal surveillance to an area that may not have a regular flow of capable guardians. If CCTV is considered I recommend the CCTV system should be installed to BS EN62676 and if the system is monitored remotely to BS 8418:2021. The management and maintenance of the system should be to BS 7958:2015. The CCTV should be support by a complimentary lighting schedule allow persons to be easily identifiable.

Pitch Protection -

Unfortunately large green space areas are susceptible to ASB from the use of off road vehicles. There use through green spaces can cause considerable damage resulting in expensive repair cost and also placing legitimate users of the space in danger. I would recommend the extension of the knee high fencing around the carpark area to the perimeter of both playing fields. This will limit the potential access for off road vehicles and increase the safety and useability of legitimate users.

Landscaping -

I would recommend that a regular management and maintenance plan is put in place for the site with regards to the trees and shrubs. Ideally all large trees should be undercut up to 2m

and smaller shrubs should not exceed 1m. This then provides at least a 1m surveillance line across the site at all times.

Item of note (not security related) -

At present there are 16 allocated parking spaces for users of the area. Should both pitches be used for sport at the same time, along with the allotments there will be insufficient parking for the area. This will force users to park within the residential streets adjacent to the area. This may cause local neighbourhood issues due to residents not wanting users of the area parking outside their home address.

Should you require any further information please contact me on the details provided.

Thank you

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Cofion gorau | Kind regards

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