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**Planning Applications 3/2014/0783 & 3/2014/0791 Change of use to form en-suite letting rooms at Downham Post Office and Ash Tree Cottage, Downham.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

**The Crime Impact Statement is formed based on local crime figures and trends, incidents reported to the police and community knowledge gathered from local policing teams. It is with this knowledge and policing experience that the recommendations made are site specific, appropriate and realistic to the potential threat posed from crime and anti-social behaviour in the immediate area of the development.**

Crime Risks

Although this is a rural area with low crime levels, there have been reports of burglary, auto-crime and criminal damage in the last 12 month period.

In order to reduce the risk of crime affecting the residents and local community, the accommodation should incorporate the following recommendations.

- \* The rooms should be secured with adequate locking mechanisms to reduce the risk of crime in periods when they are not being used.
- \* Low energy dusk to dawn lighting should be installed at all external doors and in the courtyard areas to enhance natural surveillance within the hours of darkness. The lighting would also promote safe use and encourage feelings of safety for users.

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

Yours sincerely

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