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Crime Impact Statement

Planning Application 3/2016/0243 Change of use from Class D1 to a mixed use within Class D1 and D2 to allow use as a wedding venue for up to 40 days per year at The Outbarn, Clough Bottom, Rabbit Lane, Bashall Eaves, BB7 3NA

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

Crime risks in this area are generally low due to the rural location and low population. The most likely risk to the proposed development would be burglary targeting alcohol and cigarettes stored within the building and alcohol related incidents during a wedding event. Incidents often arise when people congregate after/whilst consuming alcohol and measures should be introduced to mitigate this risk and secure the building when not in use. It is not clear from the application whether the measures recommended below are already installed however if not, they would be appropriate to the risk.

- A CCTV system should cover the general seating and bar areas so that if an incident was to occur inside, the CCTV would capture evidence of behaviour and identification. The system should be compatible with the lighting source to capture clear, good quality images. The data should be stored for 30 days before being destroyed if not required.
- The building should be installed with an intruder alarm linked to an Alarm Receiving Centre (ARC) for the appropriate police deployment on a confirmed alarm activation. This should include contacts on all potential points of entry including windows and motion sensors located inside to ensure there is more than one activation should intruders access the building.

Reason - To reduce crime and the fear of crime and create safe environments in accordance with:

- ***Ribble Valley Adopted Core Strategy Policy DMG1***
10.4 In determining planning applications, all development must:
Amenity 3. Have regard to public safety and Secured by Design principles.
- **National Planning Policy Framework, Paragraph 58**
"Create safe and accessible environments where crime and disorder, and the fear of crime, do not undermine quality of life or community cohesion"

- **Section 17 Crime and Disorder Act 1998**

(1) Without prejudice to any other obligation imposed on it, it shall be the duty of each authority to which this section applies to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area.

The above recommendations should be incorporated into the design, prior to achieving planning permission, in order to reduce the risk of crime affecting the future business, customers, staff and local community thereby promoting safer Ribble Valley communities and reducing avoidable demand on policing resources.

Further advice on Secured by Design is available from this office or at www.securedbydesign.com

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

Yours sincerely

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