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Dear Sullevan Archer

Application Ref – 25/01161/OUT

Site – Land West of Shilton Road Barwell Leicestershire

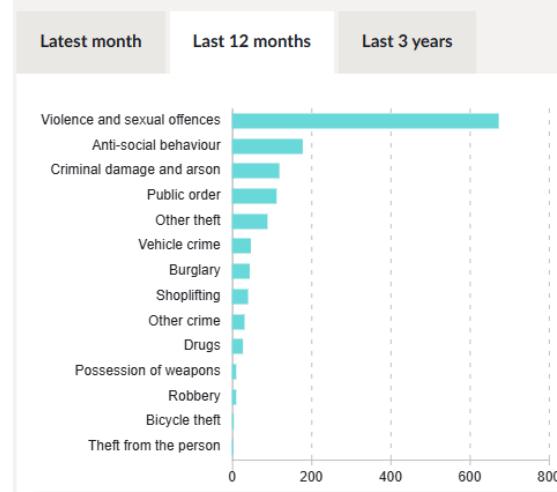
Proposal – Outline planning permission for the erection of up to 120 dwellings

Thank you for giving Leicestershire Police Designing Out Crime Officers the opportunity to review the documents for the development detailed above.

After reviewing the available documents, Leicestershire Police has no objections to the application. I do have the following observations: The Earl Shilton area and the surrounding villages have

Crime types description

for the last 12 months (from Nov 2024 to Oct 2025)



experienced periodic issues with burglaries, vehicle crimes, and especially **antisocial behaviour**. (please check graphics stats from Police.uk)

Please ensure there is good natural surveillance throughout the development and avoid creating any hidden or poorly overlooked areas.

Any public footpaths should not run to the rear of, or provide access to, gardens, rear yards, or dwellings, as this has been proven to generate crime.

To ensure the space is safe and accessible for all, and in support of policing efforts to reduce

Violence



Against Women and Girls (VAWG), footpaths should be as straight as possible, wide enough for comfortable use, free of hiding places, and well-overlooked by surrounding houses. They should also be carefully landscaped and well maintained to enable natural surveillance along the route and its borders.

I strongly recommend installing CCTV that complies with BS 7958 standards, or an equivalent specification, and integrating it with Hinckley Council's CCTV network, which is monitored 24/7 from the council's control centre. This integration would provide continuous surveillance and significantly enhance site security. From my local knowledge, other parks and locations within the village are already monitored through Hinckley Council's CCTV system. I believe this approach would be extremely beneficial moving forward.

I note that the supporting Planning Statement references the Secured by Design (SBD) principles to ensure that appropriate crime-prevention measures are considered and incorporated. It would be highly beneficial for the development company to pursue Secured by Design accreditation for the scheme.

If required, I can provide further information regarding the Secured by Design Award and, as the Design Out Crime Officer, support the development team throughout the application process.

Secured by Design - SBD Developers Award

The following document has been developed by Secure by Design; it provides valuable information about crime prevention for new builds. Please see the following link.

[sbd_residential_guide_2025_250312.pdf.](#)

If the application progresses to the next stage, I will wait for further information about the plans before providing more detailed comments regarding potential crime and ASB related issues.

Yours sincerely

Mr. N. Sidiropoulos

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Leicestershire Police

This assessment is based on the information you provided and current crime trends. While I can suggest measures that might reduce the risk of crime, there is no guarantee that these measures will prevent crime. The advice is offered without any intention of forming a contract. Leicestershire Police do not assume any legal responsibility for the advice given.