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**Location: Kirtlington Village Hall South Green Kirtlington** 

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I provide the following comments to ensure forthcoming applications meet the requirements of;

- The National Planning Policy Framework 2023 paragraph 92(b); which states that Planning policies
  and decisions should aim to achieve healthy, inclusive and safe places which are safe and accessible,
  so that crime and disorder, and the fear of crime, do not undermine the quality of life or community
  cohesion...
- The National Planning Policy Framework 2023, paragraph 130(f) which states that "Planning policies
  and decisions should ensure that developments create places that are safe, inclusive and accessible...
  and where crime and disorder, and the fear of crime, do not undermine the quality of life or
  community cohesion and resilience".

Thank you for consulting me on the above application. I have reviewed the submitted documents and crime statistics for the local area. Considering the location of this building, away from frequently passing traffic and associated activity, it will be at elevated risk of crime. I do not object to proposals, however ask that the building is constructed to meet the requirements of Secured by Design – Commercial 2023.

I ask that the following or similarly worded condition be placed upon any approval;

## **Condition 1:**

Prior to commencement of development, an application shall be made for Secured by Design Commercial accreditation on the development hereby approved. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details, and shall not be occupied or used until confirmation of SBD accreditation has been received by the authority.

## **Postal deliveries**

It is unclear from plans how post deliveries will be managed outside of the buildings opening hours.
 The building should facilitate postal deliveries either via secure external post box certificated to DHF TS009, or via through-the-wall post box into a container also rated to protect against arson attacks.

The above comments are made on behalf of Thames Valley Police and relate to crime prevention design only. I hope that you find these comments of assistance. If you have any queries relating to crime prevention design, please do not hesitate to contact myself.

Kind regards, Kevin Cox.