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**Location: Part land South West of Bicester Golf and
Country Club Adjacent to M40, Chesterton**

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Dear Katherine,

Thank you for consulting me on the above application. I have reviewed the submitted documents and crime statistics for the local area. Whilst I do not wish to object to this application on the basis of Crime Prevention, I make the following comments on behalf of my colleagues in traffic management, who have liaised with UK highways in respect to the strategic road network. Prior to permission being granted, I ask that the applicant provides further information as detailed below.

Proximity to the M40 motorway

The primary concern regarding this development is the risk of an errant golf ball reaching the carriageway of the M40. Ideally any development of this nature should be more than 100m from the carriageway. However should this development be deemed an acceptable distance from the carriageway as currently proposed, we ask that the applicant confirms the following;

- A robust and documented inspection and maintenance regime is in place to ensure that should the netting become damaged, it is identified promptly and quickly repaired.
- If there is evidence of balls being hit over the netting and out of the boundary of the range, the height of the netting must be raised to prevent this as much as possible.
- Additionally, I ask if the golf course will hold specific insurance to cover for the potential/hypothetical event that a golf ball makes its way onto the main carriageway and causes an accident?

Details of the above should be provided to the LPA and approved in writing prior to permission being granted.

I hope that you find my comments of assistance in determining the application and if you or the applicants have any queries relating to CPTED in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards
Kevin Cox.