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Location: OS Parcels 6741 And 5426 West Of Cricket Field
Nor Wykham Lane Bodicote

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Thank you for consulting me on the above application. Having reviewed the submitted documents, I do not recommend condition 29 (street lighting) be discharged at this time. I do not believe that the resultant development will meet the requirement of

The National Planning Policy Framework 2020, paragraph 127(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'.

Lighting within parking courts

The submitted lighting plan indicates that no lighting has been provided within any of the parking courts. In order to make parking courts feel safe to use, and improve surveillance over cars parked within them, particularly during the darker winter months, it is imperative that adequate lighting is provided.

Recommendation

In order for this condition to be discharged, I ask that a revised lighting plan to include lighting within parking courts is submitted to the LPA. To aid the applicant; It will be critical that the parking courts include column lighting - lighting in parking court areas is a contentious issue as the question around who pays for the power usually arise, therefore these column lights will need to be fed from the adopted highway. Bollard lighting is not appropriate, as they can be damaged by reversing vehicles and more critically they do not provide enough light to aid facial recognition.

I hope you find my comments useful, if you or the applicant have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards
Kevin Cox
On behalf of the Thames Valley Police CPDA Team