

Crime Prevention Statement

This Crime Prevention Statement has been prepared by DLP Planning Ltd to accompany a planning application (reference: S/2019/2023/FUL) on land at Old Cosgrove Road, Old Stratford.

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) advises that planning policies and decision should ensure that *developments create places that are safe, inclusive and accessible and which promote health and well-being, with a high standard of amenity for existing and future users; and where crime and disorder, and the fear of crime, do not undermine the quality of life or community cohesion and resilience.*

With regard to the above guidance, and in response to the concerns raised by Northamptonshire Police, the following features will be incorporated into the development to assist in reducing the likelihood of crime:

Security Gates

Access into the site will be via a 2.4m security gate. The gates will be marked CE as required by law and designed and engineered to the standards set out in BS EN 12978 and BS EN 12453. The following features are proposed:



A robust slide bar locking mechanism without cut-out access panel or protective cowling in order to reduce potential opportunities for climbing.



Drop bolts to provide increased resistance against vehicle ramming.



Hinged metal skirt to the base of gates to account for a slight change in ground levels (if required).



An Exmesh Paliclad system will be fixed internally to both gate panels.

Fencing

The site will be enclosed by 2.4m high palisade fencing, and as with the gate panels, Exmesh Paliclad will be fixed internally to all panels.

CCTV

Closed Circuit Television will be introduced into the site and will be sited as to ensure there are no blind spots within the site. The CCTV systems will be installed in line with BS EN 50132-7: 2012+A1:2013 *CCTV surveillance systems for use in security applications*.

The site benefits from being within a large allocated employment area, which has consent for a similar use. In time, levels of natural surveillance will increase, and the site will become less remote. The proposed methods have taken into account the most suitable security measures to reduce the risk of crime and antisocial behaviour.