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Dear Adrian,

I am writing to you in my capacity as the Leicestershire Police Designing out Crime Officer (DOCO). Leicestershire Police have no formal objections in principle to the application however we would like to make the following observations.

In relation to the Outline Planning Application with all matters reserved except for means of access and scale for the construction of a new Category B Prison of up to 82,555sqm within a secure perimeter fence together with access, parking, landscaping and associated engineering works. At Land Adj HM Prison, Welford Avenue, Gartree, Lubenham.

I have now visited, and have reviewed the proposed development. There is an existing vehicle access via Welland Avenue at the north west corner of the site. The single access road allows entry to the secure Category B existing Prison. Internal roads allow access to all key areas of the existing prison and will do likewise in respect to the new Prison.

The new Prison will be enclosed by the same perimeter enclosure as the existing site which is appropriate to maintain effective site security and is in line with Home Office guidelines. The existing Prison benefits from effective external lighting to BS5489 on Luminaires of 12m. Additional CCTV cameras are mounted externally in key area to view the perimeter fencing and the immediate area between of 3m to the exterior fence. The perimeter fencing consists of external Weld Link fencing with interior mounted panels abutting this. Below the fencing there is reinforced groundworks to stop excavation.

The new Prison is recommended to have the same Lighting, CCTV coverage and Perimeter Fencing and Groundworks to create effective security which can be monitored 24/7. I also recommend sensors to allow PTZ (Pan, Tilt & Zoom) Cameras to view any movements within the perimeter sterile area. Internally there are seven X blocks which are located in the south east side with parking in the west side. Main buildings are located in the south of the new Prison with car parking to the south west. To the west there is open space and to the north of the new Prison.

There are no permeability issues due to the level of security required for this Category B Prison which is reflected in the site plans.

Vehicle parking is anticipated to be within existing car parking areas outside the main vehicle entry point and internally in appropriate designated areas to allow effective movement around the internal grounds of the Prison as indicated.



Monitored Alarm capability will be included in the new Prison to allow effective on-site monitoring 24/7. Also, personal attack capability will be extended to cover the new Prison and all staff working within it. Personal issue alarm activators will be carried by staff to raise the alarm of any appropriate incident within the Prison.

Lighting throughout the site including the key vehicle entry point and other key areas such as open space should be to BS5489. This should include all walkways, external recreation areas including the all-weather football pitch.

Foliage is recommended to be to a height of 1m and trees are recommended to be trimmed to have no foliage lower than 2m from the ground. This will provide a 1m clear field of vision. No trees should be located near to key areas such as the perimeter fencing or any exit points. Also, all foliage should be located away from all structures to avoid the risk of arson.

Bin and cycle storage are recommended to be within a secure store to avoid the risk of misuse or arson. All security systems are recommended to be in line with Home Office recommendations.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact myself and I will be happy to assist.

Kind regards

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Architectural Liaison Officer ,  
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