

Land north of Eastway, Preston
Crime Impact Statement

Application for outline planning permission for a Local Centre
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Hollins Strategic Land
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Introduction

- 1.1 The Police.uk website provides data on street-level crime and anti-social behaviour. The crime data for the area within a 1-mile radius of the site between March 2017 and May 2017 is shown below:

	September 2017	October 2017	November 2017
All crimes and ASB	88	99	101
Anti-social behaviour	38	53	25
Bicycle theft	0	0	2
Burglary	11	4	20
Criminal damage and arson	6	3	4
Drugs	1	0	1
Other crime	1	1	2
Other theft	9	12	12
Possession of weapons	0	0	0
Public order	2	3	0
Robbery	0	1	1
Shoplifting	2	1	3
Theft from person	0	1	0
Vehicle crime	6	3	8
Violence and sexual offences	12	17	23

- 1.2 As can be seen, crime in the area is reasonably low.

Proposed Building Type/Use

- 1.3 The proposals are for a Local Centre comprising of units for retail, café, public house and drive-thru. Access to the site is via Eastway.

General Risk Assessment

- 1.4 The typical security issues for a development of this nature are:
- Acts of criminal damage during the construction period;

- Criminal damage;
- Shoplifting;
- Robbery and attacks on members of the public;
- Parked cars
 - Theft of cars
 - Thefts of contents and components of cars
 - Damage to cars

Construction Site Risk Assessment

- 1.5 Careful consideration should be given to securing the site during construction, to prevent unauthorised access and theft of equipment.

Design, Layout and Spatial Relationships

- 1.6 The following design considerations will be implemented to combat criminal activity:
- Natural surveillance – units will be located so that they overlook parking areas.
 - Proposals could incorporate good, consistent and well-designed lighting throughout the development as part of the adopted highway. This would enhance natural surveillance at night and should ideally not allow any areas of shadowing.
 - On-site low-level vegetation will be provided and any foliage to trees will be at a height so as not to create potential hiding places for would-be criminals to exploit or impede natural surveillance.
 - Plants with vigorous growth characteristics could be avoided as they may provide hiding places or hinder surveillance.
 - Planting that may provide access across fencing could also be avoided.

Conclusions

- 1.7 The development will design good natural surveillance in to this scheme. Should the applicant apply in future for Secure by Design (SbD) accreditation, the scheme must be consistent with the current principles and standards of SbD.