Consultee Comments for Application 2025/91370

Application Summary
Application number: 2025/91370
Location: land at Gynn Lane, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6LF
Proposal: Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 50 dwellings with associated access, infrastructure and associated works
Planning Officer: Jillian Rann

Consultee Details
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On behalf of: West Yorkshire Police

Comments
Thank you for your request for consultation on the above application. The comments are made with the intention of reducing opportunities for future crime and antisocial activity which addresses our collective responsibilities outlined in Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, by creating safe and secure developments where people will want to reside, visit or work.

The recommendations are supported by the following guidance:
NPPF National Planning Policy Framework (Section 8. Promoting healthy and safe communities) https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-planning-policy-framework--2
Kirklees Council Planning and development policy
https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-and-development.aspx
Kirklees Local Plan https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-policy/pdf/local-plan-strategy-and-policies.pdf
Secured by Design www.securedbydesign.com
Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)

This advice is given as a view as to what measures might reduce the risk of crime; there can be no guarantee that the recommendations will prevent crime.

Before any measures are implemented you are advised to consider current Health and Safety Legislation, Planning Permission and consult with your local Fire Safety Officer or any statutory body that may require notification or consultation.

Acquisitive Crime and Antisocial Behaviour Threat and Risk

The level of security at the site should align with any identified threat and risk and the proposed business of the end users. Therefore, it is advisable to adopt a pragmatic approach towards security requirements and take note of the crime and incident information listed below. A development such as this is vulnerable to attack from a motivated criminal seeking to break into the property, by exploiting vulnerabilities in the built environment and poor physical security measures.

Risk of not considering security at an early stage:

1. Inadequate protection
2. Increased risk
3. Wasted resources due to theft/ damage/ antisocial behaviour, etc.
4. Delay, disruption and cost caused by retrofitting security measures post attack/ incident.
5. Reputational damage.

Current crime statistics and issues of note in the locality:

I have conducted a search using the WYP crime data and mapping tool. The search covered offences committed between 16/07/2024 and 16/07/2025. The search criteria included burglary residential, robbery, arson, criminal damage and vehicle crime (interference, theft of, theft from) for Honley area.

This returned 41 results: 0x arson, 14x burglary residential, 0x robbery, 12x criminal damage, 2x vehicle interference, 6x theft from vehicle, 7x theft of vehicle.

Current ASB statistics in the locality:

I have conducted a search using WYP incident data and mapping tool. The search covered ASB/ nuisance type incidents which occurred in Honley area between 16/07/2024 and 16/07/2025. This produced 81 results, 12 of which were in the vicinity of

the proposed development. All related to nuisance quad bikes and motorbikes riding on fields and tracks.

West Yorkshire Police have no objection in principle to this application. However, the boundary treatments for this development appear insufficient for adequate protection. We respectfully request a PLANNING CONDITION for SECURITY MEASURES- including boundary treatments- to be applied to this application, in the interests of crime prevention and community safety.

Information about Secured by Design

Secured by Design is a Police initiative to guide and encourage those engaged within the specification, design and build of new homes, and those undertaking major or minor property refurbishment, to adopt crime prevention measures. The advice specified in SBD guides has been proven to reduce the opportunity for crime and the fear of crime, creating safer, more secure and sustainable environments. Secured by Design is owned by the UK Police Service and is supported by the Home Office.

The environmental benefits of SBD are supported by independent academic research consistently proving that SBD housing developments experience up to 87% less burglary, 25% less vehicle crime and 25% less criminal damage. It also has a significant impact on antisocial behaviour. Therefore, there are substantial carbon cost savings associated with building new homes to the SBD standard. This has been achieved through adherence to well researched and effective design solutions, innovative and creative product design coupled with robust manufacturing standards.

Secured by Design has three differing levels of security award:

- SBD Gold which incorporates the security of the external environment together with the physical security specification of the home
- SBD Silver which offers those involved in new developments, major refurbishment and the individual the opportunity to gain an award for the level of physical security provided
- SBD Bronze which offers a route to achieve a reasonable level of physical security for bespoke or refurbished properties where a traditional enhanced security product is not available, or cannot be utilised due to the listed building or other conservation status.

If you would like to apply for the Secured by Design award, please use the 'SBD Residential' application form found at www.securedbydesign.com.

Kind regards,

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