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CRIME PREVENTION SURVEY
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APPENDIX A.

Anne Wilks
Market Harborough Council
28/11/06

Lutterworth Sports Centre

Dear MS Wilks

Following the Lutterworth "Have your say" meeting I was tasked by with visiting the above location By Insp. Barber.

I have visited the premises and met with the manager, Nic Cotter and have the following comments to make.

Although the building is relatively new the design is such that more emphasis was put on its aesthetic appearance than prevention of crime. Apparently the cost of replacing the large expanse of damaged windows to date is in excess of £13000.00. Clearly this cannot be sustained and measures need to be implemented to reverse this trend.

Local officers are aware of the issues and pay as much special attention as possible to the location. However by virtue of its location damage can be caused undetected and appears to be sheer vandalism.

With this in mind there are 2 methods I would suggest be considered. Unfortunately the area to be protected is large and represents a considerable capital outlay.

- 1 Each window to be fitted with protective metal roller shutters utilised when the premises is closed. This would afford protection without compromising the aesthetic appeal of the premises. The smaller windows at the front could be protected by high-impact value polycarbonate screening which would reduce costs.
- 2 A protective perimeter fence of 2 metres high with a cranked return extension on the top. Such a barrier would not detract from the visual viewing perspective but would protect the glazed areas. A similar type fencing protects the nearby tennis courts.

I would not suggest any formal surveillance in the form of CCTV to cover the area as the benefit as a deterrent value would not in my opinion be great enough.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me

Crime prevention advice is given free, without the intention of creating a legal contract. Neither to the Home Office or the Police Service take any other responsibility for the advice given. The advice given is based on information supplied by yourself and current crime trends in the area concerned. Such advice should reduce crime but there can be no guarantee that the measures will prevent crime.

Without prejudice to any other obligation imposed upon it, it shall be the duty of each local authority to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area-section17(1) of the Crime & Disorder Act 1998.

Yours sincerely

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