

Land East of Rayleigh Road Thundersley

Essex Police Response

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Strategic Planning Team

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As a key emergency service provider, Essex Police advocates to continuously adapt and reflect its practices to ensure that the service provided is efficient and effective in keeping our communities safe. With the policing landscape continually changing we welcome any opportunities to develop and enhance this provision.

We note the scheme proposes 455 dwellings, Community Hall, Healthcare Facility, Early Years/Nursery, open space and associated infrastructure.

This document outlines key information on Essex policing priorities and context and provides an initial response to this proposal. If further information or clarification is required to support this development, please contact the Strategic Planning team at [REDACTED]

Essex Design Guide

The Essex Design Guide provides high level direction for new developments and infrastructure, and we would like to highlight the following points which acknowledge the strategic principles and Essex Police objectives for the creation of safe and secure communities and sustainable police estate provision:

- To work with planners, architects, and developers to ensure that new developments in Essex provide a mix of well-designed homes, open spaces and promote neighbourhoods that consider community safety and wellbeing that provide benefit to all communities.
- That the prevention of Crime and Disorder is supported through well-designed places that includes the provision of a sense of community and safety.
- Ensuring 'Secured by Design' standards and applicable 'Police Crime Prevention Initiatives' are incorporated and fully exhausted throughout new development (including associated buildings) as a minimum whilst maximising opportunities against current and future technological and crime pattern changes linked to digital/cyber offences
- Encouragement of proactive police service-related communication to new residents and communities that promote public confidence and cohesion.
- Incorporating provision of affordable housing for key worker accommodation.
- Ensuring that all work, education, and public spaces are well designed and promote safe, secure communities and environments.
- To be engaged with master-planning for any transport related developments, collaboratively working with the relevant authorities to ensure that new developments are planned and designed to improve safety on the various road networks. This will include preventing those Killed or Seriously Injured (KSI) and Road Traffic Collisions where possible.
- To ensure an understanding of the key objectives for managing road infrastructure, improved vehicle design, redesigning speed limits and renewing Essex Police enforcement policy, all of which will be forefront in Essex Police strategic road safety campaigns.
- To engage in the Safe System approach 'Vision Zero', recognise that human beings' lives and health should never be compromised by their need to travel and any fatal or serious injuries that occur

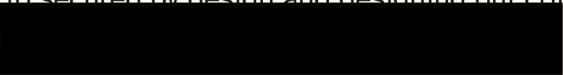
within the road system are unacceptable. This considered as best practice in road safety according to the World Health Organisation and the Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

- To include infrastructure considerations to ensure and develop an efficient policing response in the future. This may include such matters as Electric Vehicle Charging points.
- Promoting the concept of a shared, environmentally sustainable co-located community estate that shares facilities in appropriate locations within the community, creating a more local, visible, and accessible policing. This offer includes (but limited to) Police, Fire, healthcare, voluntary sector, and other key public services where appropriate, efficient, and effective.
- To encourage effective engagement between Essex Police Designing out Crime and Strategic Planning teams, Local Authorities and Developers at the earliest opportunity.
- Implement a 'Crime Impact Statement' within the 'Design and Access Statement'. Such statements are devised to identify specific measures that will be adopted to reduce crime.
- To endeavour to create a collaboration programme with emergency services and other partners that will enhance our ability to achieve service benefits and stretch our property performance targets for the efficiency of the estate.

Designing out crime and Secured by design

When considering future developments, it is imperative to achieve sustainable reductions in crime, to help people live and work in a safer society. Designing out Crime Officers, (DOCO's) specialise in the application of designing out crime and provide expert advice on crime prevention through environmental design, (CPTED principles) to a wide range of design and build professionals. Their role is fundamental in the development of safe and secure communities. The DOCO role is underpinned by National Planning Policy and Home Office agendas. DOCO's recommend developers to consider the foreseeability of crime and maximise on the opportunity to design such issues out, as to prevent the need for bespoke situational crime prevention measures in the future.

[Police Crime Prevention Initiatives](#) are a police-owned organisation working on behalf of the Police Service, to deliver a wide range of crime prevention initiatives, of which they promote [Secured by Design](#) (SBD). Supported by the DOCO, SBD provide a series of 'design guides' that enable the DOCO to work closely with architects, developers, and local authority planners throughout the life cycle of the proposed development. This will enable the DOCO to assist the developer to 'design out crime' by improving the layout and physical security of buildings from the initial conception, construction, and occupation.

The Essex Police DOCO response to this proposal will be provided under separate cover. For any queries relating to secured by design and designing out crime matters relating to new developments please contact 

Traffic Management considerations

In the interest of road safety and reducing casualties linked to highways usage, Essex Police believe that developers should contribute to designing out the need for enforcement within the construction of newly



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