# FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT <u>TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE</u> <u>10<sup>th</sup> October 2023</u>

## Agenda Item 6

#### Application Ref. 23/00638/DEEM3

### Car Park, Meadows Road, Kidsgrove

Since the publication of the main agenda, comments from **Staffordshire Police** have been received. These comments are summarised as follows;

- Staffordshire Police have no objection to the principle of development on the application site.
- The general configuration of the new hub perpendicular to the road with a prominent entrance and the proposed replacement garage opposite it with the yard in between would provide a good level of surveillance which would reduce the likelihood of attracting unwanted attention.
- Consideration must be given to reducing the opportunity for unauthorised access to the site out of hours and robust attack and climb-resistant fencing and gating would be required to prevent criminal and anti-social opportunity
- The publicly accessible front end of the hub would have a good level of surveillance which would reduce the likelihood of attracting unwanted attention.
- The applicant's attention should be drawn to the police Secured by Design Commercial 2023 which contains guidance on attack-resistant security standards, and the applicant should consider installing CCTV surveillance.
- In terms of security of the garage, reference should be made to the Commercial 2023 design guide, the apertures would be the most likely attack points.
- It may be prudent to add some suitable bollards or similar to protect the corner of the building closest to the car park from any future damage

#### Officer Comments

Although the potential use of anti-climb fencing to protect the site is noted, the inclusion of additional boundary treatments could result in an adverse visual impact on the application site and wider street scene. Given the level of natural surveillance within the site it is not considered that the comments raised by the Police require any changes to the scheme or the use of any further conditions, however the applicant will be advised to consider the provided guidance and comments.

The **RECOMMENDATION** remains as set out in the main agenda report.