



CRIME IMPACT STATEMENT

Land Adjacent Pavillion Cafe, Hollingworth Lake

High Nets Course

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Design changes not required

This development has been assessed against the principles of 'Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design' (CPTED - <http://designforsecurity.org/about/crime-prevention-through-environmental-design/>), in order to reduce the opportunities for crime and the fear of crime. The proposed scheme has been found acceptable and if submitted to the local planning department in its current form we will support the application.

Please note: Greater Manchester Police Design for Security will recommend to the local planning authority that a planning condition is added that reflects the physical security specification listed within Appendix 2 of this report.



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1 Visual Audit

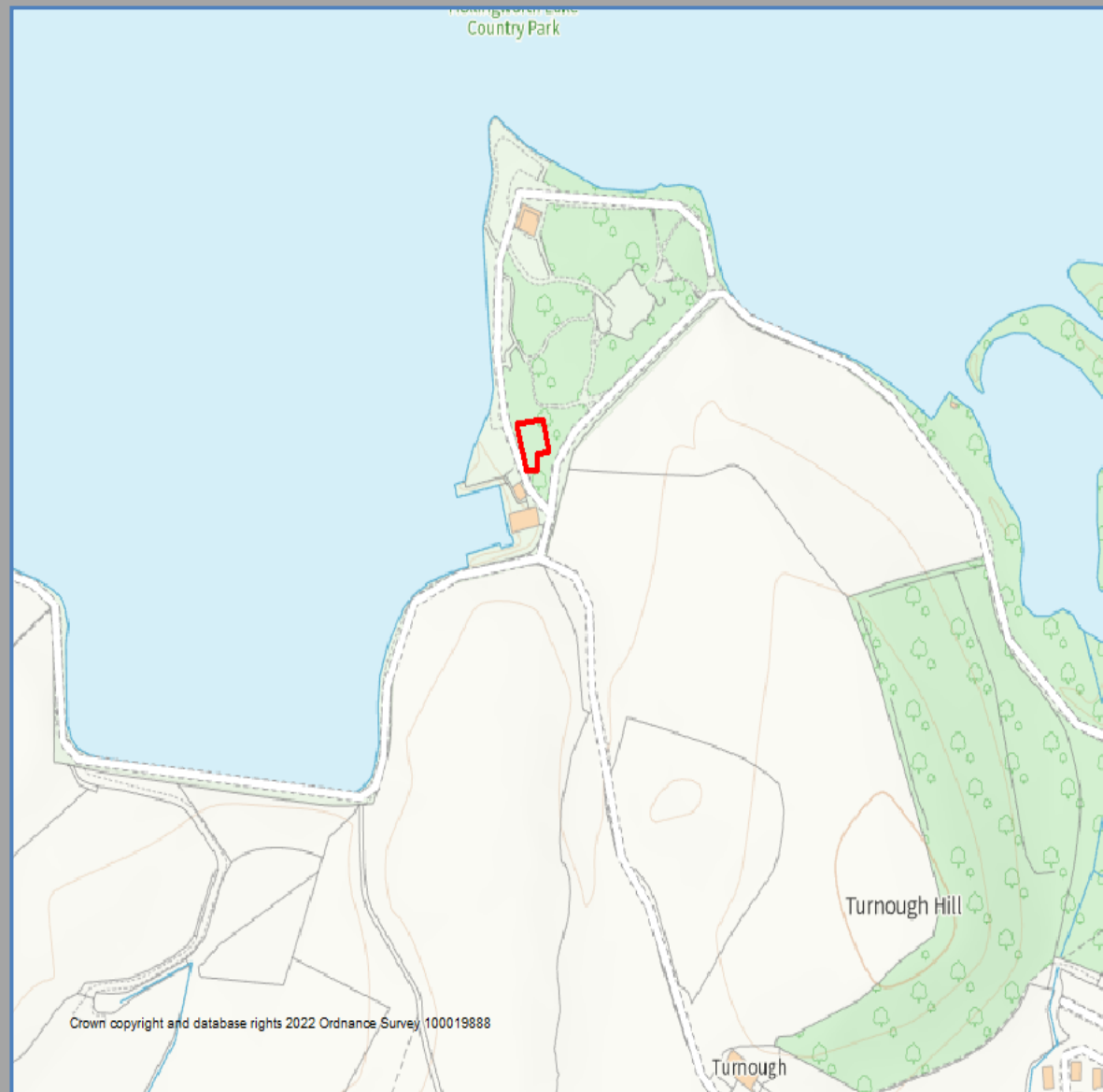
The proposed development site can be seen on the adjacent map, edged in red. The site is located at Hollingworth Lake, in Littleborough, Rochdale.

The site is positioned in a wooded area to the South of the Lake, near the Pavilion Café which lies to the South-West. It is presently undeveloped land.

The site located off the circular walk around the lake and there is no direct vehicular access for members of the public.

The lake is very popular for walking, particularly at the weekend and school holidays. During the week the lake is busy with walkers and those exercising dogs.

There is a children's playground in close proximity of the lake which is well used and there is also a water activity centre.



2 Crime Statistics & Analysis

All data below is based on crimes recorded between 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022.

2.1 Crime Summary

Figure 1: Recorded Crime within 1000m of Site

Domestic Burglary	Non-Domestic Burglary	Criminal Damage	Less Serious Wounding	Theft	Robbery	Serious Wounding	Theft from Motor Vehicle	Theft of Motor Vehicle	Bicycle Theft
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- 2.1.1 The overall rate of crime in the local area is low for the Rochdale Division; however, the location of the proposed site should be taken into consideration. The analysed area consists of large spaces of undeveloped land, where crime often doesn't occur or goes undetected due to the lack of footfall. Most of the crime has occurred on the housing estate located to the west of the proposed site. Vehicle crime, violence and criminal damage have been the highest recorded offences taking place, which is common in residential areas. The violence occurring has mostly involved public order offences and assaults, which have commonly taken place within the dwelling. Vehicle crime has mostly taken place on residential streets as vehicles are often left unattended for long periods of time out of the sight of the owner. Smashed glazing in windows and devices to override the locking mechanism has been the most common entry points to access the vehicle. The volumes of offences in the area are low, and the most reported offence types are frequent in residential areas.

2.2 Common Use-Specific M.O.s (Modus Operandi)

- 2.2.1 Theft of personal property.

Possible Solution – There should be a space for staff and customers to secure their property when they are working/using the facility.

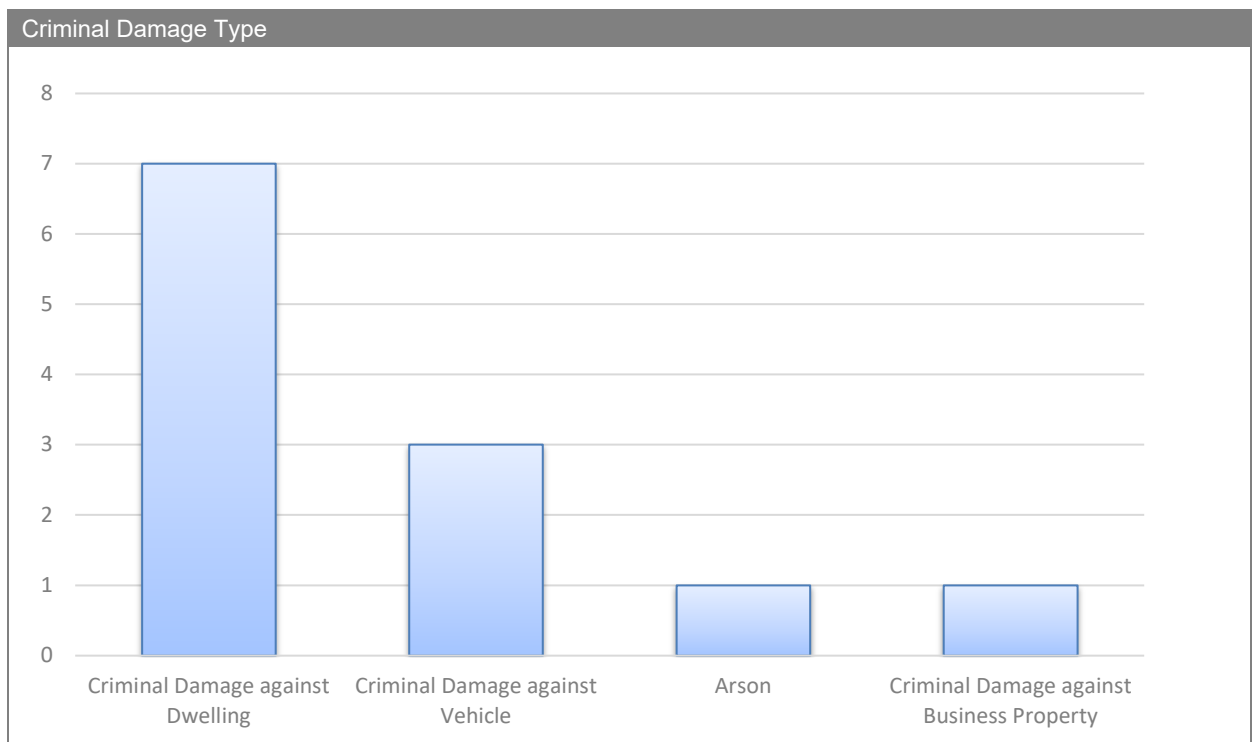
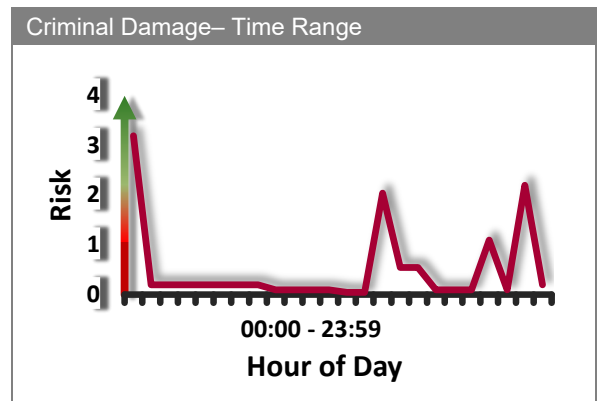
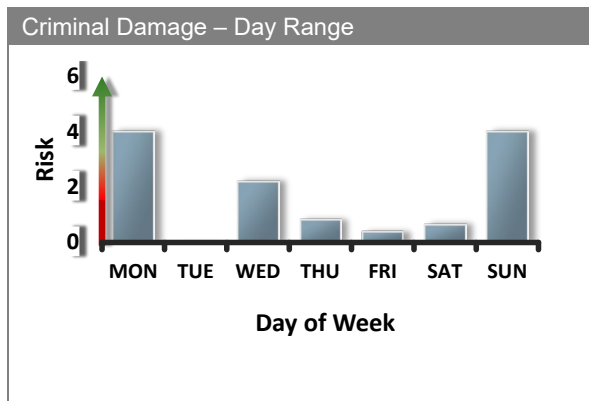
2.3 Risk Factors

The typical security risks for a development of this nature are:

- Criminal damage to property
- Arson
- Violence towards staff and other users
- Theft and criminal damage during the construction period
- Controlled access (staff/user only)
- Safety of children
- Loitering groups
- Employee theft
- Theft of personal belongings at work

2.4 Criminal Damage in the Local Area: Risk Analysis

The data below relates to criminal damage offences within 1000m of the proposed site, recorded in the Rochdale area.



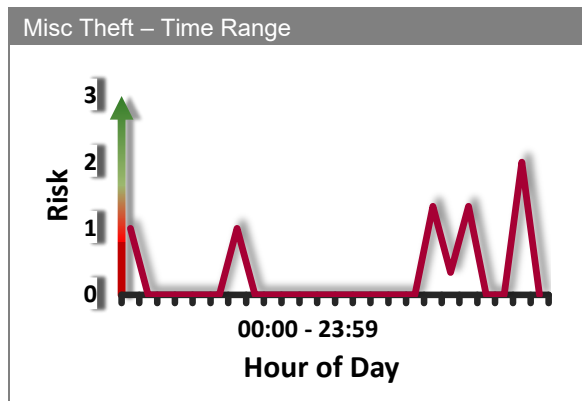
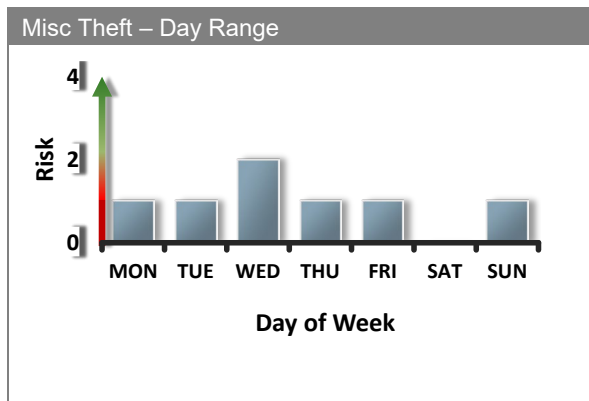
2.4.1 **Day/Time Range:** The risk of criminal damage offences in the local area peaks on a Monday and Sunday during the late evening and early hours of the morning. Offenders often target areas during this time as it is often dark and there is less footfall in the area, giving offenders the perception that they are less likely to be caught or identified.

2.4.2 **Point of Entry:** In the local area the following entry points and MO's have been utilised most frequently:

- Fencing has been vandalised with graffiti and bodily force, causing damage.
- Smashed glazing in windows of dwellings using rocks/ stones.
- Damaging signage of business properties using bodily force.
- Damage to doors causing by bodily pressure (mostly kicking).

2.5 Theft in the local area: Risk Analysis

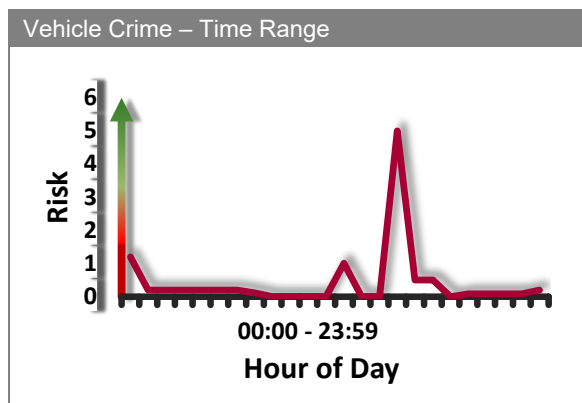
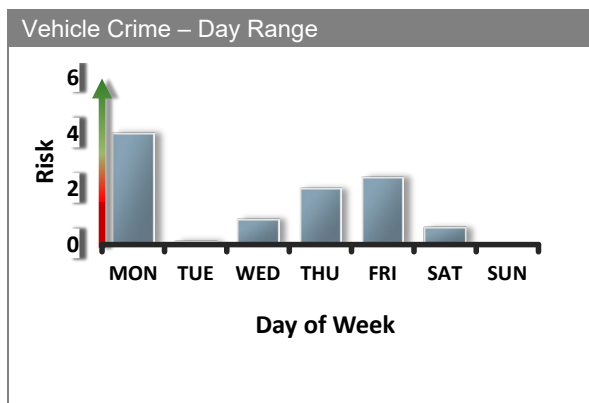
The data below relates to thefts within the local area, recorded in the Rochdale area.



- 2.5.1 **Day/Time Range:** the risk of theft in the local area peaks on a Wednesday during the evening (5pm – 11:59pm). Offences have mostly occurred in the housing estate located to the west of the site, whereby exploiting the victim for money. Offenders have also targeted caravans and tools stored within the grounds of the dwelling. Offenders have also used pickpocketing techniques in the local licence premises to remove wallets. Paving stones from the streets have also been removed.

2.6 Vehicle Crime: Risk Analysis

The data below relates to vehicle crime committed within 1000m of the site.



- 2.6.1 **Day/Time Range:** The risk of vehicle crime in the local area peaks on a Monday, during the afternoon (2:30pm – 5pm). Offenders often target vehicles in the afternoon, as they are often left unattended and out of sight of the owner for long periods of time, creating a perceived low risk opportunity.

3 Layout Appraisal

3.1 Proposed development

- 3.1.1 The proposed development is a high nets course with associated wooden pillar towers. The site will be fenced and is approximately 600sq m.

3.2 Positive Aspects of the Proposal

The following proposed features would make a positive contribution to the prevention of crime and fear of crime.

- 3.2.1 The site is in an area which is very busy with pedestrians during the day and in the evening which will allow or passive surveillance of the site and allow any misuse to be easily spotted.
- 3.2.2 The site is in an area where vehicular access is limited, making it difficult to access unless on foot.

3.3 Changes Needed and Recommendations

The following points have been identified for further consideration and would need to be addressed for Design for Security to support the proposed scheme.

- 3.3.1 The proposed fence should be sufficiently high and robust to prevent offenders, or those antisocially minded, from entering the site by scaling fence or damaging it to gain entry. Fences should be a minimum of 2400mm in height and paladin/metal railing construction.
- 3.3.2 Landscaping should be carefully designed so that it does not encourage illegitimate use or block sightlines, to the advantage of offenders, or those antisocially minded if they gained access to the site when not in use. It is recommended that low planting does not exceed 1000mm in height (from floor level) and tree canopies do not fall lower than 2400mm, to ensure good sightlines can be maintained.
- 3.3.3 Any parking for bicycles should be located in highly visible locations where they can be easily seen by users. Sheffield style stands should be used to allow both wheels and the frame to be secured.
- 3.3.4 Materials used in the public realm should be robust and difficult to damage/deface. Any timber used should ideally be treated with a fire retardant to reduce the risk of arson.
- 3.3.5 The container should be secured with a deadlock certified to BS 3621 or Sold Secure Silver/Gold.
- 3.3.6 No cash should be stored on site overnight and this should be included on signage.

4 Management & Maintenance

- 4.1.1 The upkeep of a development over its lifetime can be crucial to the level of security and safety within. Aspects of a development, which are left to deteriorate, have the potential to attract further crime – a process known as ‘the broken window theory’. A maintenance plan should be drawn up to address issues such as:
- Litter removal
 - Repair of any damage
 - Trimming and pruning to shrubs and trees

5 Construction

- 5.1.1 Untidy sites and their surroundings can be littered with debris accessible to vandals who often use loose materials as missiles to commit crime. The client should take measures appropriate to secure their site during construction, and control pedestrian and vehicular access in to and out of the site curtilage. It is also recommended that the contractor on this scheme is a member of the ‘Considerate Constructors

Scheme', who has committed to be a considerate and good neighbour, as well as clean, respectful, safe, environmentally conscious, responsible and accountable.

- 5.1.2 Site security contractors should be SIA (Security Industry Authority) approved to ensure professional standards are adhered to (please see <http://www.sia.homeoffice.gov.uk/pages/acs-intro.aspx> for more details).

6 Useful References

6.1 Secured by Design (SBD)

- 6.1.1 Secured by Design focuses on crime prevention at the design, layout and construction stages of homes and commercial premises and promotes the use of security standards for a wide range of applications and products. To apply for Secured by Design certification for your development, visit our online application form at: <http://www.designforsecurity.org/secured-by-design/sbd-accreditation/>

A Contact register

Date	Contact With	Summary of Contact
13/03/2022	Lisa Jackson	CIS application received

B Associated Documents

This report is based on the following drawings and supplementary information submitted by the applicant.

Drawing No.	Drawing Title	Date	Rev
	Location Options		
	New Location Areal View		

PLEASE NOTE - In the event of any subsequent material changes to the scheme, it will be necessary for Design for Security to reassess the comments made within this report.

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