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Ben,

I have contacted the David Millar Architects regarding this planning application and have engaged in conversation with them about the main concerns I have. They have been very amenable and positive to my suggestions.

I have no objections to the youth centre and feel that it would be a benefit to the area and create a useful and valuable asset to the local community.

My concerns regarding this planning application is the major anti-social behaviour in the area which has been addressed in the design access statement. This is mainly due to the alley way which is created as the fire exit from the Raddison Blu Hotel is set back from the main square. This therefore creates an area which is dark, with no natural surveillance and is perfect for anti-social behaviour.

My initial consolation has led to the suggestion that a gate be fitted across from Suffolk House so that effectively the 'alley way' is blocked off and flush with the main square. This will be controlled during the hours that Suffolk House is open and also still act as a fire exit for the hotel. I do appreciate that this will be subject to planning and also ownership issues for this space but I cannot stress enough that whole project will benefit from its installation. I feel we need to get this right first time to prevent any issues arising in the future.

David Millar have sent me a potential planning application for the gates which I have giving them advice and comments on. Hopefully this will be sent to yourselves in the near future and I can then forward my advice onto yourselves.

Hopefully the good relations with David Millar continue and advise that any applications in regards to Suffolk House be passed onto myself.

Kind Regards

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