



FAO Thomas Sild

Thank you for allowing me to comment on planning applications 2016/3174/P and 2016/5266/P which relates to the creation of a 46 bedroom hotel and residential units.

I have seen that original consultation was given by Pc Adam Lindsay and it appears that 'Secured by Design' recommendations have been given and that it appears that these will be implemented within the building.

I have no objections to the revised drawings but have the following comment to make with regards the hotel.

Comments and Recommendations

- ∞ Rear staff and emergency exit – Since the first consultation it has been identified that hotels are vulnerable to Child Sexual Exploitation – CSE. Hotel rooms are booked by individuals who then bring the victim to the location to perform sexual services on numerous people during the duration that the room is book for. Suspects will intentionally book rooms using cash only and will express a room which is away from the main reception area and therefore the security that they provide. An ideal room is one that is close to a fire escape and from the plans I have identified two rooms which I would deem as being vulnerable, especially as the door they are close to doubles up as a staff entrance/exit. This door will certainly need protecting... ideally it should be controlled by encrypted FOB access for both entering and exit. If used as a fire escape then it should only deactivate upon an alarm activation. If emergency release is required near the door then it should be alarmed to the main reception to alert them of misuse or accidental activation. CCTV should be positioned in this location to reinforce the physical protection of the door. If achievable with fire regulations then the door should be PAS24:2016 security rated.
- ∞ All staff should be given training in identifying victims of 'Child Sexual Exploitation' which can be delivered using the Operation Makesafe initiative by The Metropolitan Police.

If the applicant wishes any further help of advice around the comments I have made then I will be more than happy to be contacted.

Kind regards

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