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Location: Taj 170 - 171 Parrock Street Gravesend Kent DA12 1ER
Proposal: Change of use from restaurant to restaurant/takeaway; extension of opening hours to 11.00 to 23.30 every day; erection of single storey rear extension, projecting sign and new shop front; installation of air intake, canopy extraction; and internal layout alterations.

We have reviewed this application in regard to Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) and in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

Applicants/agents should consult us as Designing out Crime Officers (DOCO's) to address CPTED and incorporate Secured By Design (SBD) as appropriate. We use details of the site, relevant crime levels/type and intelligence information to help design out the opportunity for Crime, Fear of Crime, Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB), Nuisance and Conflict.

There is a carbon cost for crime and new developments give an opportunity to address it. Using CPTED along with attaining an SBD award using SBD guidance, policies and academic research would be evidence of the applicants' efforts to design out the opportunity for crime.

We recommend SBD guidance is utilised to address designing out crime to show a clear audit trail for Designing Out Crime, Crime Prevention and Community Safety and to meet our Local Authority statutory duties under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998. The points below identify my recommendations for the layout and design of this scheme.

1. CCTV is advised, especially at entry points, till areas, and other areas with limited natural surveillance or storage areas containing high-value equipment. Please ensure the CCTV supports the lighting plan.
2. We strongly recommend alarms, with an auto-dial function, be installed on all external doors, including emergency exits.
3. If new external doorsets and windows are proposed, we recommend these to meet PAS 24: 2022 UKAS certified standard, STS 201 or LPS 2081 Security Rating B+. Existing rear doors and windows that are not being replaced may require limiters/ restrictors to help maintain security.
4. Access control. Adequate access control is required for entrances used by staff only such as storage rooms and other restricted areas.
5. Waste bins should be kept in a secure enclosure, ideally away from the building as bins can become a climbing aid or even an arson hazard.
6. Any Shutters should be as close to the building line as possible and must avoid the creation of a recess. Shutters must be certificated to LPS 1175: Issue 7, SR2; STS 202: Issue 3, BR2; Sold Secure Gold or PAS 68:2013.

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Note: * Means do not differ from zero at the conventional level of significance ($P < 0.05$). ** Means do differ from zero at the conventional level of significance ($P < 0.05$). *** Means do differ from zero at the conventional level of significance ($P < 0.01$). **** Means do differ from zero at the conventional level of significance ($P < 0.001$). NS = Not significant.

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