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Re: 26 Apartments, Mill Street, Leek

Alan

With reference to our previous correspondence, I understand that Adactus Housing Association for whom the site is being developed and who will be the end user have placed a requirement on the developer that Secured by Design accreditation for the development will need to be achieved. Consequently the developer is committed to satisfying this requirement.

A meeting with you to discuss the proposals and address any concerns before any planning application is submitted (should there be one) and before they are 'set in stone' would be highly desirable. An initial meeting should ensure that broad Secured by Design principles in particular in relation to the layout, access arrangements, boundary treatments etc have been addressed. Other issues can be resolved as and when they arise as part of the ongoing Secured by Design process.

As you will be aware achieving Secured by Design accreditation will necessitate compliance with the appropriate Secured by Design guidance (currently New Homes 2014), submission of the required paperwork (Secured by Design application form, plans etc) and liaison with us as and when necessary.

It is not possible for Secured by Design accreditation to be confirmed and a certificate issued until the development has been completed and a final inspection by an Architectural Liaison Officer has taken place. This should take place before resident occupation. The aim of the final inspection is to ensure that the requirements of the guidance have been adhered to. Any issues that arise at the time of final inspection would need to be addressed before compliance could be confirmed and a certificate issued.

Regards

David Elkington
Architectural Liaison Officer