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Subject: Stairwells at The Birtles Car Park, Wythenshawe URN:2014/0204/CLT/01

Dear Steve,

Many thanks for your email re: the above. Apologies for the delay in responding.

I agree that the proposed improvements works you have outlined should have a positive impact on the safety and security of the stairwells, as does the local divisional Crime Reduction Specialist (CRS). The re-cladding works will limit the ability to throw items onto the streets/areas below, as well as gain unauthorised access onto adjacent roof areas etc. Care should be taken to ensure that any loss of natural light caused by the re-cladding is compensated for by the installation of additional/improved lighting. Lighting levels should be uniform, so as not to create areas of pooling of shadowing. Fittings should also produce 'white' light, as opposed to yellow/orange light. Metal halide (or bulbs with a comparable output) should be used, as these offer superior colour rendition (supporting any CCTV system in place) over alternatives such as high and low pressure sodium bulbs. Light-coloured ceilings and walls can help lighting levels, as well as the perception of a safe and non-threatening environment to users. Any damage/graffiti should be immediately repaired or removed, as they can often attract further abuse if they remain in place for long periods of time.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for any further information/advice at any stage.

Kind regards

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