

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

**FURTHER PROPOSALS FOLLOWING MEETING
WITH LINTON PARISH COUNCIL - 29 JUNE 2011**

with regard to

PLANNING APPLICATION: S/2256/10

For

EXTERIOR LIGHTING PROVISION

at

NICHOLS COURT, FLAXFIELDS, LINTON.

For Sanctuary Housing

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Following a meeting held between South Cambridgeshire District Council, Linton Parish Council, NEP Lighting Consultancy and local residents on Wednesday 29th June 2011, the following observations and recommendations were made in regard of a 106 Agreement to be made between Sanctuary Housing and SCDC.

I. EXTERIOR LIGHTING – SANCTUARY LIGHTING

- I.1 The current Planning Application S/2256/10 with regard to exterior amenity lighting as shown on *The Johns Practice Drawing: 77-02 500* dated 10.12.10 is broadly accepted with the proviso that a curfew between 22.00 and 07.00 be imposed for all the exterior lighting luminaires, including the car park lights. Any exceptions required by Health & Safety to be agreed between the parties.
- I.2 That the above switching regime be further examined in order to assess whether an alternative “occupancy sensor” arrangement may be more cost effective for all or some of the luminaires.
- I.3 Noting that the 4no. column mounted car park lights have been switched off for some months (as at June 2011) with no apparent problem, it is suggested that the 2no. existing bollards are not removed but left in lighting – to allow for this current arrangement to be reviewed over the winter period. NB. If at sometime over this period it is felt that the main car park lighting is required, then the lower power 3,200 lumen lamps should be fitted before any switch-on. If the winter trial period is successful, then the bollards should remain and the 4 no. columns removed.
- I.4. It was noted that several of the local residents felt that a number of the exterior lights were not lit up as usual on the evening of the 29th June 2011 and pointed to the CCTV security cameras. On reflection I believe that these cameras had built-in LED lights that could be obtrusive when on. It would therefore be useful to confirm with Sanctuary Housing how these are switched, i.e. individually, in blocks or all together, and confirm that they will only be switched on when there is a true need to investigate a disturbance. A further option would be to change the LED lights and cameras for the less obtrusive IR (infr-red) design.

2. EXTERIOR LIGHTING – CAMBRIDGSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

- 2.1 The 4no. road/footway lights (3no. SON, 1 no. SOX) be replaced with full cut-off luminaires fitted with house side shields and lower powered 3,500 lumen (50w) lamps.

3. INTERIOR LIGHTING – SANCTUARY LIGHTING

- 3.1 It would appear that much light nuisance could be avoided, and some energy saved, by the simple switching off of corridor lighting when not required as witnessed on the evening of the 29th June 2011. With the need to meet Health and Safety requirements, several strategic luminaires may need to be exempt, but the remainder could be put on occupancy sensors as some already are. Those of particular concern to the local residents are the main 1st floor corridors, both the section flanking the main courtyard and together with those above the buggy store. An alternative would be to fit blinds or curtains to the offending windows.