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Dear

WAITROSE CAR PARK, SAFFRON WALDEN - LIGHTING

I have been asked to consult a number of local stakeholders on an issue that has been raised about the lighting at the "Waitrose" car park for which the district council has responsibility. The thought is that we should review our arrangements as the lighting is currently on all night and is causing a light nuisance to some neighbours.

Historically the lighting levels were increased as a community safety measure after a serious incident occurred in another car park some years ago. Press coverage has recently evidenced that the switching off of street lighting has not had the adverse effect on crime that was anticipated. Other potential hazards to pedestrians would include trip or collision risks which we would also ask that you consider in your response.

Please find enclosed a questionnaire in this respect. I have not set a deadline for responses as I appreciate that you may need to take this to your organisation's next scheduled meeting. However, I thank you in anticipation of an early response.

Yours sincerely

Diane Burrige
Director of Operations

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