Dear Matt,

I hope you are well. I am yet to receive a reply to my last email but write again by way of update.

I attended a meeting yesterday with the chief executive and Head of Planning of the LPA to discuss the above project, both were kind enough to accommodate me at the local council offices. For your information Simon Finch is currently the Head Of Planning & Building and Andrew Ferrier is currently the chief executive both for Test Valley Borough Council.

As all parties fully understand the planning position has been fully confirmed previously by the planning inspectorate. The LPA also made reference within our meeting to certain enforcement notices which cannot be fulfilled until the works have been completed, The knock on effect, As you well know is that the works cannot be fully completed until we receive an environmental permit from yourselves so at this stage these delays are really causing us problems.

As you confirmed that was the case in your email and stated that you had spoken to the LPA and were awaiting information which you estimated would take a couple of weeks. Surprisingly both parties were unaware of you needing to contact them to verify certain information in order to finally approve our environmental permit and to ensure that we can finally complete the works on site.

I am sure that this may be an oversight or crossed wires and as such feel that this introductory email may assist you in moving forward as you know that we are keen to avoid the appeal process in order to obtain the environmental permit which would finally enable us to complete the works, however we are also fully prepared to follow this is route if we need to.

I am hoping that this introductory email to all parties now gives you the opportunity as the determining officer from the EA to confer with the correct contact (Simon Finch) of the LPA quickly to now confirm that the detail we have provided in relation to the plans and drawings for the finished scheme that we have submitted within our application to yourselves for an environmental permit, is the same as has been agreed with the LPA and can be cross referenced in terms of the works that need to be done to complete the planning permission in line with the inspectors decision. This is a very straight forward exercise and as your aware this was all the inspector required at the last hearing and confirmed that if this was provided the EA would very likely issue a permit, notwithstanding this it is disappointing that we have still had to wait a further 2 years to get to this point.

This last dialogue between yourselves should hopefully now allow you to complete your reasonable balanced checks and measures in order to approve the environmental permit application which we have submitted and which in turn will then allow us to finally complete the works to the golf course in line with the enforcement plan, inspectors decision and the planning approval.

You have requested another extension of the previous deadline that you set of 27th December 2022 until the 17th February 2023.

After careful consideration and in light of the above and the fact that it would appear that the Head of Planning has not had any dialogue with yourself up to now, I am prepared to extend the deadline date until Friday 10th February 2023 before we lodge an appeal with the planning inspectorate at which point the determination of the application will be afforded to the inspectorate, at this point we will have no choice but to seek costs for following this process from the EA.

This offer of an extension is a final attempt to allow the EA sufficient time to determine the application and in the hope that we can avoid the lengthy, and costly process of having to proceed to an appeal for matters which are very straight forward and that can be dealt with quickly and efficiently and without the need to further clog up unnecessarily the already over worked appeal process.

I trust the above to be self explanatory and look forward to hearing from you soon .

Kind regards,

Simon Nelson



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