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Dear Mr Cousins,

Letter from Mr Olin dated 29th July 2017

The Programme Officer has forwarded this letter which was sent directly to you via Chambers. I feel obliged to respond to some of the comments made in the letter, taken from the Village Bulletin, which seriously misrepresents the District Council's position in relation to land at Street Farm.

As you will be aware from the District Council's representations, it is patently its intention not to seek the future development of the site beyond that provided for by the current planning permission. Indeed, the District Council has been clear on this not only through the permission, but also through its recommendation that this area is designated as Local Green Space in the Neighbourhood Plan, thereby securing it for longer term.

Again for clarification, there is no basic objection to the transferring the large public open space area to the Parish Council, albeit a decision on this is will be for the Council to make at an appropriate time in the light of the JR on the planning application. The s106 Agreement does not prescribe this transfer simply (and understandably) because the developers did not want to put the Parish Council, which continues to oppose the development, in a position of being able to effectively nullify the grant of permission. Notwithstanding this, the s106 provides for the transfer to the District Council or other suitable body, which would of course cover a willing Parish Council – which is the normal course of action.

Yours faithfully,



David Marlow
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