

Dear Christopher and Andrew,

Thank you for your letter of 30th January 2015.

The wording of the adopted Wiltshire Core Strategy policy as regards the matters which an applicant is required to address prior to the submission is clear. Officers have been in regular communication with the promoters of this site who are aware of the policy expectations, and officers have always encouraged them to discuss their proposals with the local community.

Ultimately, it will be a matter for the developer to demonstrate that they have complied with policy in their application, which should include a statement of community involvement. This statement should outline the actions in this regard and this will be subject to public consultation at the application stage. Further information on the content of such statements is available on the Council's web-site.

If you think it would be helpful, officers are happy to facilitate a meeting between the local community, Council and developers in order to seek agreement of how best to work in partnership to deliver the policy of the adopted Core Strategy in respect of this site.

However, please note that the decision on timing of the submission of an application rests with the prospective applicant and is beyond the control of the Council, and it may be that the applicant chooses to submit a formal application prior to any such meeting taking place.

Thanks and regards,

Carlton

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