

Mr Ian Kemp (Programme Officer)

Peter Murray

For the attention of: Ms Nicola Gulley MA MRTPI (Planning Inspector)

15 August 2018

Dear Sirs

**Re: Land lying to the south east of Marlow Road, Lane End Buckinghamshire, Title No. BM355396**

Dear Ms Gulley,

I am writing to you to provide you with some background in respect of the above land before our meeting on the 6th September 2018 so as to save a little time then.

I own the above referenced land (my land) I purchased the land from a company owned by my family and all this land was brought for use as a building yard ("the entire site"). In around 1978 some of the adjoining land was sold and re-sold and ended up in the ownership of English Courtyards Limited who built 28 residences, they also extended Ellis Way which provided access to the land which was retained (my land).

In 2012 I was able to purchase a right of way and easement for services with the condition that one dwelling house was to be constructed.

The established user rights of the entire site had existed since 1869 when Amos Catton built his Furniture Factory and Timber Storage on it, in such designating the entire site as Brownfield, such rights were retained on my land follow the sale, this has been confirmed in a letter from Wycombe District Council's Planning Solicitor to my Solicitor on 6th October 2012.

At a meeting with Penelope Tollitt (Head of the High Wycombe Planning Department) on 23rd May 2014 I was told that the local authority wanted to construct more than one house on my land and that the local authority would be looking to find adjoining land in order to do so. The local authority identified a further piece of adjoining land as suitable for that purpose.

The local authority outlined the two sites in red and gave me a HELLA form to complete for my land, to allocate or permit land for development which I duly did, the local authority then included the adjoining land without informing the owner of that land.

The next thing I knew was the local authority had allocated the both pieces of land for residential use, I had promoted my land and Wycombe District Council promoted the adjoining Land.

A short time after this I was looking through the Wycombe Council Planning Sites when I came across an article which said "In Lane End further ecological assessment of land off Ellis Way resulted in the Council deciding to not pursue an allocation on this site for reasons relating to biodiversity due to the presence of a range of wildlife habitats". This has now been shown to be totally false and has absolutely nothing to do with my land which is quite separate from the land the local authority promoted.

Subsequently, the planning committee designated my land to be outside of the development boundary even though my land is a brownfield site inside Lane End's Village boundary and has established user rights.

I understand that elderly people in Framers Court (the residences constructed on the land which was sold) have been making a lot of complaints to the local authority against any development on my land (and adjoining land) and causing damage, I have spoken to English Courtyards Ltd and asked them to control their residents.

All of the above I can show with the evidence I have which I will produce at our meeting, I feel that this contravenes the test of soundness.

I would like the allocation for residential permission restored on my land. I should add my family have been builders in Marlow since 1935 and in 1970 built the new Catholic Church of St Peters in our home town of Marlow.

Yours faithfully

Peter Murray

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