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Our Ref: WR7360

Date: 10/07/2019

Dear Mr Quigley,

Re: PROPOSED LEISURE DEVELOPMENT AT DRUMMOND MOOR

Further to our telephone conversation I am writing on behalf of my client, FCC Environment (FCC), who are seeking to develop a holiday resort within their landholding at Drummond Moor. The resort will be developed following the site restoration activities.

The site is situated approximately 3km to the north east of Howgate, to the immediate west of the A6094. FCC's landholding measures approximately 33ha and comprises a restored historic landfill towards the northern part of the site and the currently operational soils infill area towards the southern part of the site. There is no built development proposed on the historic landfill. The current planning consent allows the soils infill works to 31 December 2025 therefore works on the holiday resort would commence after the importation of soils to create a development platform.

The proposal is for the development of a holiday resort on the Drummond Moor landholding. The holiday resort will comprise lodges of different designs located around the southern and south-eastern part of the landholding. A reception building incorporating amenities, parking and recreational paths will also be included as part of the proposal. The arrangement of the resort will be sympathetically designed to take account of the historic landfill areas and associated infrastructure.

The proposal would see a significant investment in the area and the creation of jobs both directly and indirectly.

FCC are currently undertaking initial environmental surveys over the landholding and would like to commence pre-application discussions with local stakeholders. As the scheme progresses I will be in a position to provide more detail on the proposal. But in the meantime, I would like to arrange a date where representatives of FCC can attend a community council meeting to present the proposals, preferably towards the end of August if convenient. This would also be an opportunity for FCC to listen to any feedback and answer any questions.

I will be writing to Councillors Catherine Johnstone, Jim Muirhead and Kieran Munro of the Midlothian South Ward and Councillors Russell Imrie, Kelly Parry and Pauline Winchester of the Midlothian West

Ward. I shall also be writing to Rosewell and District Community Council advising of the proposals. FCC will also be writing to residents who live in close proximity to the proposal site.

I will keep you updated as the scheme progresses. Should you have any queries or require any more information, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0113 264 9960 or email me at james.cook@thesiriusgroup.com.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'James Cook', written in a cursive style.

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For and on behalf of Sirius Planning Ltd

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Drawing WR7360 – Site Location Plan