Telephone

8 April 2015

Hereford County Council Economy, Communities & Corporate Directorate PO Box 230, Blueschool House, Blueschool Street Hereford HR1 2ZB

Dear Sir/Madam

PLANNING APPLICATION FOR LOWER MEADOW FARM SNODHILL PETERCHURCH/DORSTONE HEREFORDSHIRE HR3 6BH

Further to completing the incorrect form using 'Application for a Lawful Development Certificate Reference 143315; we enclose the correct application to pursue changing the use of the land from purely agricultural to including the siting of a static caravan for living purposes.

The intended length of time that we wish to occupy the static caravan will be approximately three years whereby, it will be removed and sited to a holiday location in Wales.

The concept of living in the static caravan was suggested by a Councillor, local police and some neighbours; as it seems to be a solution that will resolve a number of issues including:

- One of the initial reasons for wanting to live in the static caravan are because of a number of incidents and issues in respect of theft and damage occurring over the last three years; may be negligible to larger farmers – but a different story for smaller farms/holdings such as ours.
- If planning permission is granted this will considerably reduce our outgoings and lend additional funding into developing the farm and carrying out much needed projects.
- The necessity to move to a property that better suits our living requirements but remain as close/local to our land as possible. Unfortunately, despite looking during the last two years we have been unable to find a suitable property that suits our purposes either through renting or buying.

We have two boys sharing a single spaced bed room using bunk beds; there is an age gap of five years between them (aged 7 and 12). Our teenage son has now outgrown the top bunk-bed

Both children go to two local schools - Madley Primary and Fairfield High; ultimately in two years both will be attending Fairfield High School in Peterchurch.

importance of keeping continuity in these plans, and preventing school change is critical.

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 Our long term intentions are to provide a way of life for our children in their adult years

In respect of some of the objections and comments identified through the last application; our endeavours in agriculture, although small, are no different from our farming neighbours in any manner.

We purely want to enjoy a similar lifestyle that they themselves have and enjoy.

However, there were two very important issues that we would like to reassure any person reviewing this application:

- The original site for the static caravan has been altered to obscure the view of the static caravan from 'Snodhill Castle' as best we can. An action that will ensure that the scenic views are not spoilt unlike the plot of land directly below the castle that looks almost like a building site.
- We always intended to restore and develop our parcel of land to ensure that all its natural visual features and characteristics in respect of scenic views (taking into account the common consideration of how rural landscape is perceived by outsiders and tourists).

If any concerns arise during the review of this application, we would appreciate consultation so that we can address these issues.

Yours faithfully `

MR & MRS WILLIAMS

Enclosures: 3 Copies of Application, Site Location Plan, Block Layout Plan, Rural Land Register, Map Information, Summary of Incidents At Farm, Covering Letter, Comments on Previous Objections.