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To: Webster, Gemma (Senior Planning Officer)
Cc: Wheatley, Juliet
Subject: Mill Farm, Old Colwall App Ref: 152806 and 152808

Dear Gemma,

I don't have any objection to the proposed conversion of these two farm buildings. The agent has made minimal external changes and internally has respected the structural divisions which therefore retain their character and interest. The proposal includes for new concrete ground floors and it is generally good practice with historic buildings which are constructed with solid walls without damp-proof courses to use a breathable limecrete floor – ensuring that the floor finish is breathable too – eg: not ceramic tiles or lino. Impervious floors tend to result in water being driven up the perimeter walls if this approach is not taken. Similarly any repointing of external walls which may be required should be carried out in lime mortar, without cement.

I suggest the external joinery is either in oak or an opaque stained hardwood (preferably pigmented with a colour, rather than wood stained). Rainwater goods should be cast aluminium or cast iron.

Regards,

Nick