

Stefan Galyas

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 14 August 2025 13:29
To: Stefan Galyas
Subject: RFF DM/25/1185

[REDACTED]
Hi Stefan

I spoke to one of your colleagues about the planning proposal for Padel Courts (Hurstwood Padel) as I wanted to flag the exchange below

I'm a Board member of Southdowns Park and the Hurstwood Padel team and I have been in touch for some months

I'm not debating the merits of the courts BUT I would like to flag that their acoustics person has placed their microphone at the most favourable place on site to get a low reading. Yes it is directly in front of the courts but it's a ground floor level and screened by foliage and tree cover

Sound carries at Southdowns – the example I'll give is that I face the football pitches and as my property is across three levels I hear nothing at ground floor but I hear literally everything across the other two floors

The only genuinely accurate reading would be that at first or second floor so I'd appreciate some push back on that

Kind Regards
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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 August 2025 13:44
To: Scott Castle [REDACTED]
Cc: Hurstwood Padel [REDACTED] Sue Shelley
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Hurstwood Padel

Hi Scott

Copying in our site Supervisor Simon, who can help get you set up

My only comment on placement is that it's at a section where there is a natural barrier of trees. I'd wonder how the sound carry's at an area that's unprotected or higher up. I'm ground, first and second floor in front of the football pitches and the sound carries very clearly to the two higher floors compared to the lower where you can hardly hear a thing

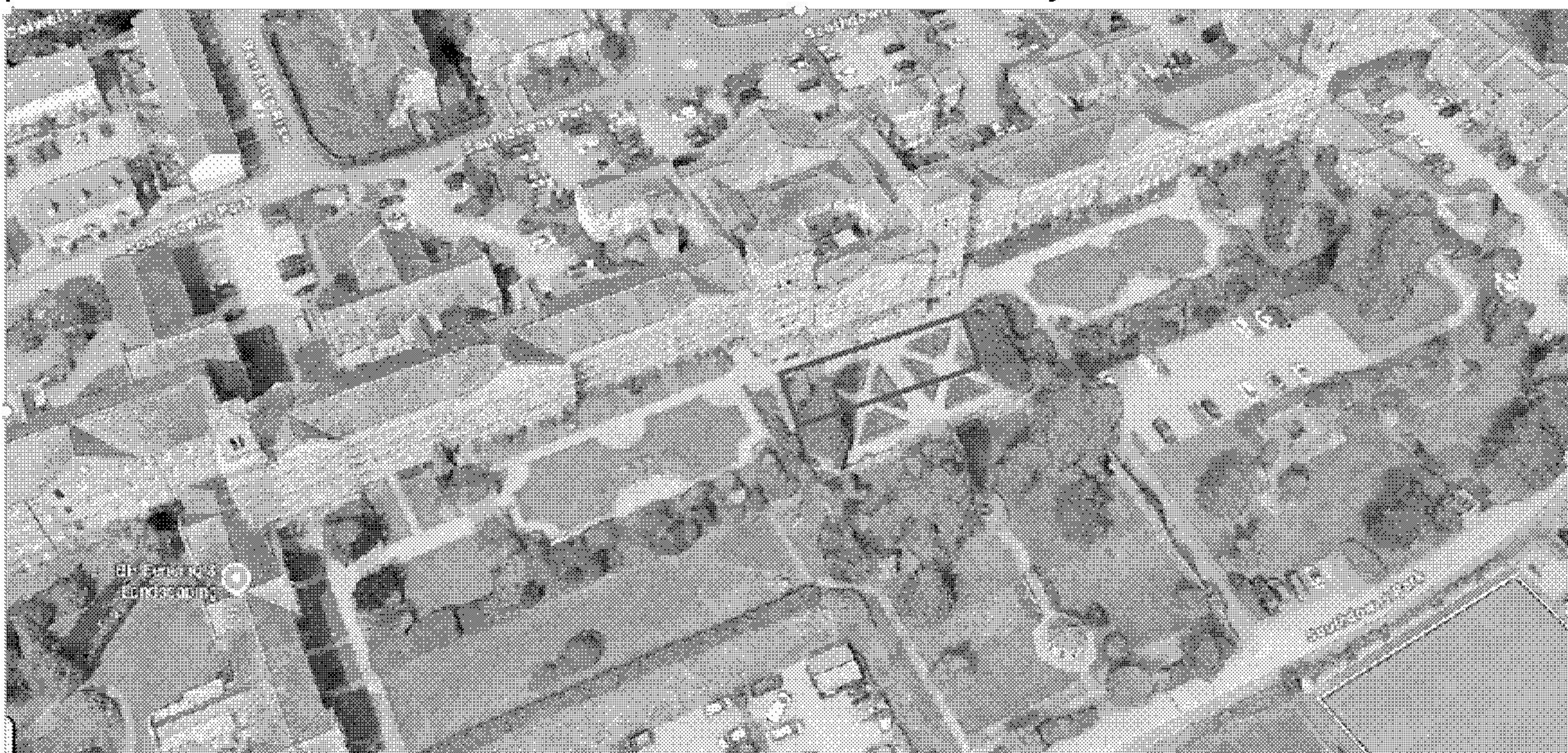
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From: Scott Castle [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 August 2025 13:36
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Hurstwood Padel [REDACTED] Sue Shelley
[REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Hurstwood Padel

Good afternoon Mr [REDACTED]

Many thanks for the speedy response.

To ensure that I am able to provide a robust understanding of the site soundscape, I am proposing to place a sound level meter for 24/48 hours in the vicinity of the area below.



This will be secured against something permanent. Is this something you are able to assist with please? Ideally, I would like to set it up this afternoon.

The survey equipment consists of a tripod and a monopole and a microphone, a cable and a locked peli case. It only records levels, and no audio or conversations. As stated, it would be secured against a permanent structure.

Please can you advise.

Many thanks in anticipation

Scott
Director
Acoustic South East
[REDACTED]

On Mon, 11 Aug 2025 at 13:25, [REDACTED] wrote:

Sure thing Stu

From: Hurstwood Padel [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 August 2025 13:11
To: Scott Castle [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED] Sue Shelley [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Hurstwood Padel

Hi [REDACTED]

Hope your well

Please let me e introduce Scott who is handling our acoustic tests for the padel courts at St Francis

Scott needs to place a microphone to record noise data and may need access to Southdowns Park

Hoping you can assist

Thanks

Stu

Sent from [Outlook for iOS](#)

From: Scott Castle [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 12:48 pm

To: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Sue Shelley [REDACTED]

Subject: Hurstwood Padel

Morning Gents

I am looking to revisit the site later today and take some readings closer to the Southdowns Park building to reinforce the work already undertaken. At present, Southdowns Park comes out a lot quieter than both Bowden Way (West) and Buckle Lane/Knox Road to the East.

Have you got any contacts regarding security for the site please, as I am conscious that this is effectively private land and I would very much like the equipment to still be in the same place as when I leave it?

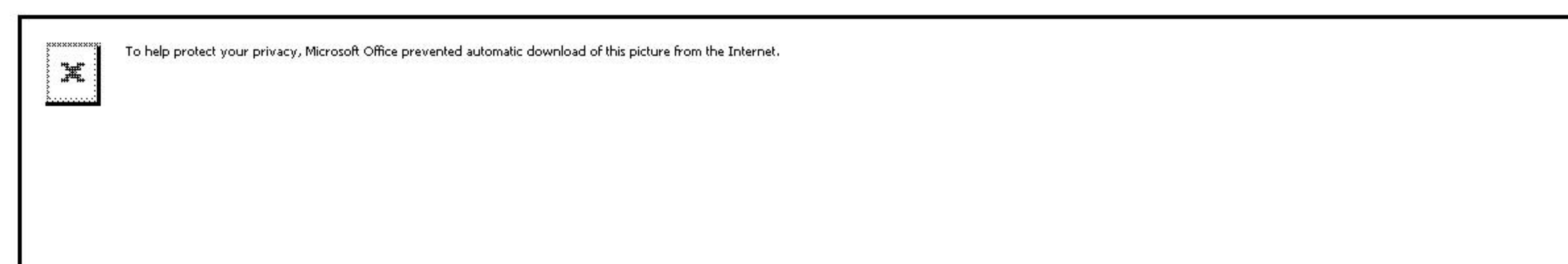
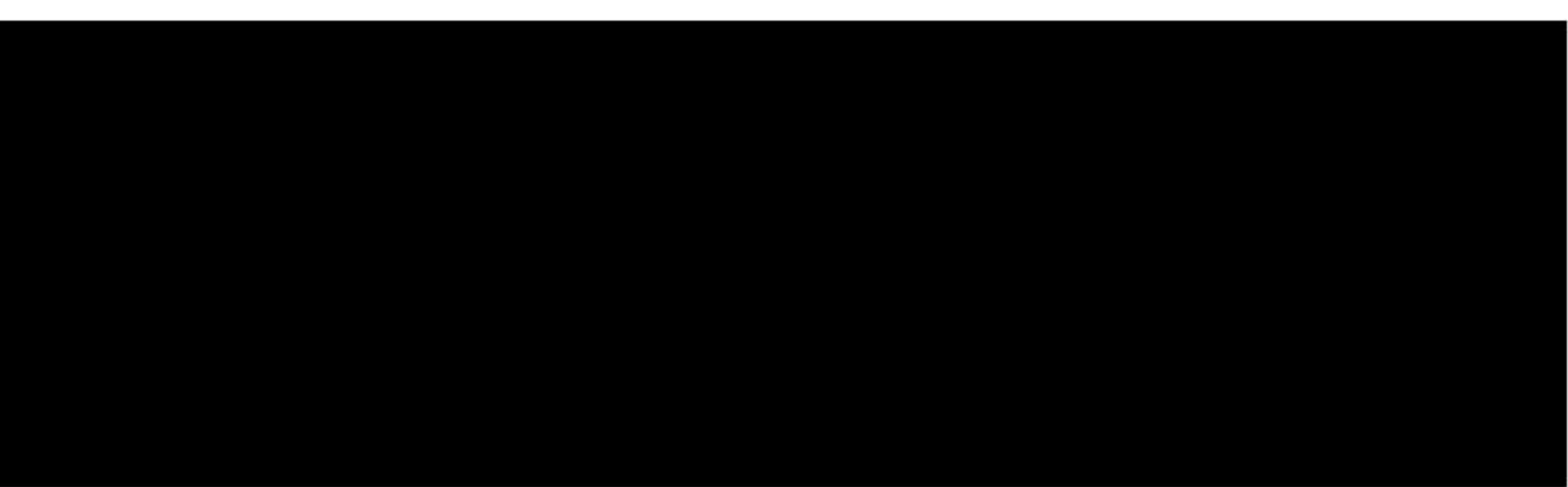
Many thanks

Scott

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Director

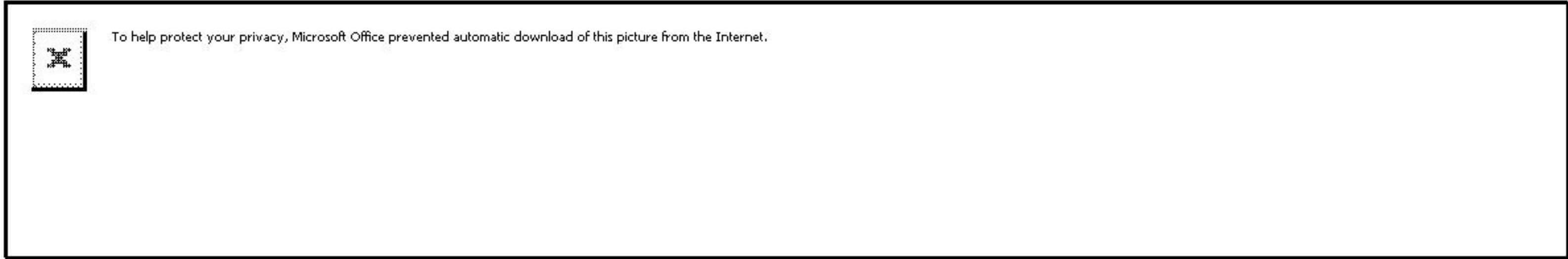
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