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Your ref DM/26/0833 & DM/26/0834
Our ref 1902/408912.1

By email only: joanne.fisher@midsussex.gov.uk

Dear Joanne,

**Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (as amended)
Applications for Full Planning Permission and Listed Building Consent
Site at Chownes Mead, Chownes Mead Lane, Cuckfield, Haywards Heath**

I refer to the above referenced applications for planning permission and listed building consent.

With apologies for the delay but further to my letter to you dated 4 August 2026 setting out our responses to the comments made by the Council's Conservation Officer on the originally submitted scheme and the revised suite of architectural and landscape drawings, I now write to confirm, following your email to me dated 14 August that further revisions have been made in relation to the provision of Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG).

In order to ensure that the development continues to propose the minimum 10% BNG on-site post-development, the landscaping scheme has been further amended by the proposed planting of 16 new additional trees within and around the perimeter of the car park at the northern end of the application site.

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The BNG Metric shows that the on-site baseline has 10.57 area habitat units and 0.18 hedgerow units. Based on the proposals included on the updated landscape plans, there will be an increase of 1.08 habitat units to a total of 11.65 habitat units representing a 10.24% increase and for hedgerows, an increase of 0.11 units to a total of 0.28 hedgerow units representing a 60.15% increase.

The following additional documentation is enclosed to cover the above:

- BNG Statement prepared by Lizard Landscape and Ecology
- BNG Metric completed by Lizard Landscape and Ecology
- The following architectural drawings prepared by ABIR Architects:
 - Proposed location plan (drawing no: 0603.PL.1500 Rev D)
 - Proposed block plan (drawing no 0603.PL.1501 Rev D)
 - Proposed site plan / key plan (drawing no: 0603.PL.1502 Rev F)
- The following landscape drawings prepared by Nicholas Dexter Landscape Design:
 - General Arrangement (drawing no: 0228-NDLD-L1000 Rev P04)
 - Landscape Area 1 (drawing no: 0228-NDLD-L1001 Rev P04)
 - Landscape Area 2 (drawing no: 0228-NDLD-L1002 Rev P04)
 - Landscape Area 3 (drawing no: 0228-NDLD-L1003 Rev P04)
 - Tree Planting (drawing no: 0228-NDLD-L3000 Rev P04)

Please substitute these drawings for the equivalent versions previously submitted.

For the sake of completeness please treat the following previously revised drawings submitted to you on 4 August as superseded:

- Drawing no 0603.PL.1500 Rev C
- Drawing no 0603.PL.1501 Rev C
- Drawing no 0603.PL.1502 Rev E
- Drawing no 0228-NDLD-L1000 Rev P03
- Drawing no 0228-NDLD-L1001 Rev P03
- Drawing no 0228-NDLD-L1002 Rev P03
- Drawing no 0228-NDLD-L1003 Rev P03
- Drawing no 0228-NDLD-L3000 Rev P03



Please undertake the further consultations as are necessary in relation to these revisions.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N Abbott'.

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For and on behalf of DMH Stallard LLP

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