

From: Hillier, Graham
Sent: 14 June 2013 12:46
To: 'Davies, Alun (Assembly Member)'
Cc: George, Jessica
Subject: RE: Circuit of Wales

Thanks Alun;

A meeting for 11am on Tuesday with you and the Developer would be good, and we'll host it here in Ty Cambria, Newport Road, if that's still OK with you. I've asked a couple of colleagues to join me, to both hear your views and better inform mine.

Please let me know if you or the developer's rep need directions.

Many thanks – look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Graham.

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From: Davies, Alun (Assembly Member) [<mailto:Alun.Davies@Wales.gov.uk>]
Sent: 13 June 2013 14:39
To: Hillier, Graham
Subject: Re: Circuit of Wales

Thank you Graham. This second letter does begin to move us in the right direction. I do appreciate that and I am grateful to you for taking the time to review these matters.

However I remain very concerned with the processes at work within NRW in this matter. In addition I do not believe that the current NRW position does reflect the totality of the statutory duties and the demands of the remit letter provided to NRW by the Welsh Government.

It would be very useful to meet. Could I suggest 11.00am on Tuesday? I would be content to meet at Newport Road or alternatively we could meet at the Assembly in the Bay. I will also invite a representative of the developers to join us and I hope that between us we can agree a way forward.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Alun

Alun Davies

On 13 Jun 2013, at 12:08, "Hillier, Graham"
<Graham.Hillier@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear Alun;

As promised in my previous e.mail, please find attached a copy of our letter offering supplementary information to the local planning authority, following our original planning response.

I trust this is helpful and goes some way to addressing your concerns, while still taking account of our statutory duties.

We would be happy to arrange to meet with you next week if this would still be helpful (Tuesday would be slightly easier for me than Thursday, but we'll obviously try to work around your availability). Please let us know if you'd still like to go ahead, and if so your

availability and preferences in terms of timing and venue – you'd be very welcome at our Newport Road office if that helps.

Regards,

Graham

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From: Hillier, Graham
Sent: 12 June 2013 23:28
To: Davies, Alun (Assembly Member)
Cc: George, Jessica
Subject: RE: Circuit of Wales

Dear Alun;

Thanks for your note, and I understand your sentiments. For your information, we have today issued a further letter to the Planning Authority with some supplementary information, which has been provided with the intention of helping to identify potential solutions and (I believe) offering a more positive approach, including the desire to work together.

I'll ensure a copy of the note is sent to you tomorrow. Perhaps we could then arrange a convenient time to meet (eg Tuesday) next week, if this would still be useful.

Best regards,

Graham.

Sent from Windows Mail

From: Davies, Alun (Assembly Member)
Sent: 12 June 2013 17:37
To: Hillier, Graham
Subject: Circuit of Wales

Dear Graham,

I have received a copy of the NRW response to the planning application for the Circuit of Wales in my constituency.

I am very disappointed with the approach that NRW has taken in this matter. I felt that NRW would be taking an entirely different approach to planning matters and would be seeking to adopt a positive approach, working with applicants to deliver developments that will enhance the sustainability of communities across Wales. This has clearly not happened in this case.

I am very anxious that this development goes ahead and does so in a way that enhances the community of Blaenau Gwent in the widest sense. I would therefore seek an urgent meeting with you to discuss these matters. I can be available in Cardiff either Tuesday or Thursday next week. I would like to use this opportunity to discuss with yourself and the developers how we can move forward in an agreed way.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Alun

Alun Davies AM

Blaenau Gwent

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