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Sent: 16 December 2014 20:26  
To: Liam Cowden  
Cc: Klemperer, Bill  
Subject: English Heritage's Interim Position re: Employment land adjacent to Registered Battlefield.  
Importance: High

Dear Liam,

In response to our conversation on Monday 15 December and earlier today, Tuesday 16 December I agreed to set out English Heritage's interim position regarding the employment land adjacent to the Registered Battlefield at Shrewsbury. As you know, we did not receive the information about the status of this land until Monday 15 December or the site assessment evidence base until this afternoon and as such we are not in a position to provide a formal view within the short timeframe.

At this stage we are able to say that had we been told that the status of the land was still 'countryside' and not 'protected employment land' as you have now stated, we would not have withdrawn our objection without having had the opportunity to fully discuss all the issues on this site and make appropriate recommendations. We understand that the Council now proposes to allocate this site as a new employment site and as such we would welcome the opportunity to comment on the principle of this development. Without having had time to consider the evidence base which we received today, we are not in a position to state whether we would object to the principle of the development because of its impact on the significance of the Registered Battlefield.

We would request the opportunity to be involved and to ensure that appropriate consideration is given to the significance of the Registered Battlefield, including its setting. We are willing to provide a view as to whether we object to the principle of development on this site or whether mitigation measures incorporated into the Local Plan may be appropriate, once we have had the opportunity to consider all the information/evidence and come to a formal view.

Kind regards

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