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Planning Policy Team  
Station Road  
Sidmouth  
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7 September 2018

Our ref TW/GXXL/Private Client Dept

Dear Sirs

**Baxter's Farm Development Brief**

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We understand that the proposed Development Brief is to establish the parameters for development of Baxter's Farm, and once finalised, would be a Supplementary Planning Document to be taken in to account as a material consideration should planning applications be made for development of the site.

Our client has few major objections to the draft brief, but there is one significant concern. It is suggested that the land, or some of it, could be a permanent Traveller's site.

Our client strongly objects to such a use of the land.

[REDACTED] Musbury is an historic village with significant heritage assets, both in the village itself and in the near neighbourhood. Our client considers that a Traveller's site would present a significant threat to the preservation of those heritage assets.

In particular, our client makes the following points in connection with his own property:

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

It is apparent that every step should be taken to protect these important historic assets.

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More generally, and since housing is the most likely form of development, our clients cannot think that presence of a nearby traveller site would be attractive to residents living there. Accordingly the use of that land for housing is much less likely to be successful.

Yours faithfully

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