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Subject: Sedlescombe Neighbourhood Plan/ Street Farm Green Space.

Dear Mr Cousins,

Following the Oral Examination of the Sedlescombe Neighbourhood Plan, at which you kindly allowed me to speak, I have become aware of the section 106 agreement in relation to the approved planning application on part of Street Farm (which is conflicting with the plan and is now awaiting to hear if a judicial review of this approval will be granted). I have attached our recent village bulletin which summarises the key elements of this agreement which makes for interesting reading.

It would appear that the intention of the District Council is not to transfer the land at Street Farm to the Parish Council as originally set out in the heads of terms and that the land promised to the school as a playing field is in fact now shown for any educational use which would include buildings if an option is taken up by the County Council. Otherwise it reverts to the developer. I recall at the oral hearing Mr. Marlow who represented the Council making a passing comments that all this land would come under pressure for development in the future.

It is of great concern that regardless of what the District Council has proposed in its submission to you, it is their intention to retain this land and seek its development. The Bulletin also makes clear that should this land go to the Parish Council they have already agreed it should be placed in trust to ensure it be maintained as a green space in perpetuity.

I hope this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely



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