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Dear Rebecca

Warboys Somersham & Pidley Internal Drainage Board (''the Board")

18/00840/FUL, 22/02501/FUL & 23/02358/FUL – Mr F Adams

Change of use of land to provide four additional gypsy/traveller pitches with day rooms and gym/store at Legacy Park, Chatteris Road, Somersham

Post application request

Many thanks for the Post-application request regarding the above development. As previously discussed, the comments forwarded to HDC in June 2023 on behalf of the Board, were perhaps too 'in-depth' to be understood by those without technical expertise. I have considered the various documents on the HDC planning portal, and hope that the simple response below is easier for a non-professional person to comprehend.

The Board's Standard of Protection (SoP) provided is 2.00 – 3.33% AEP, which means that the **whole** district would be at risk from a 1-in-30 to 1-in-50-year storm.

However, it is considered that the existing systems, assets, and defences provided by the various water level and flood RMA's (Environment Agency, Middle Level Commissioners and Warboys, Somersham & Pidley IDB) are appropriate for the design life of the development.

No evidence has been discovered of the site or immediate area being flooded in recent years. Appropriate design can ensure that the proposals are resistant and resilient to flooding with any residual risk managed safely. Neither the Commissioners nor the Board have objected to the previous planning applications relating to the above site.

It is hoped that the above information will help enable the planning permission to be changed from a temporary approval to a permanent one. This information can be forwarded direct to HDC if required once a new planning application has been made on behalf of your client.

Yours sincerely

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