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Mr Tony Barnett
By email

Chief Executive

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Our Ref: Barnett correspondence

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Dear Mr Barnett

Correspondence re Padworth Common

Over the past few months you have submitted a series of emails about the Council's plans to fence Padworth Common in order to graze animals and improve the quality of the heathland. Your correspondence is obscure in nature, in some cases threatens criminal action, and you have refused to co-operate with the Council in identifying matters of fact which we could address. You have also refused to engage with the corporate complaints process.

Any future correspondence on this issue will be acknowledged, but as you have refused to engage with the Council in its attempts to reach a resolution, we will no longer offer any further substantive responses to your emails. You are aware of the legal process the authority is following and as the Inquiry is public you may attend. We will consider any requests for information, but will refuse these where they are vexatious or unreasonable in nature. I would point out that the information to be made available for the Inquiry will be placed in the public domain, and much of this is already available.

All future correspondence on this matter should be sent to Mr Paul Hendry phendry@westberks.gov.uk as the single point of contact. Officers and Members will be asked to pass any correspondence directed to them on to Mr Hendry and will not respond directly to you.

Yours sincerely

Nick Carter
Chief Executive