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Dear Sir/Madam,

ERECTION OF TEMPORARY AGRICULTURAL WORKERS DWELLING– APPLICATION REF: DC/23/0306
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Introduction

This Covering Letter has been prepared to accompany an application for approval of details reserved by conditions following approval of application ref: DC/23/0306. The application is submitted to Horsham District Council (HDC) on behalf of Mr. David Exwood, who is a farm tenant of the Christ's Hospital Foundation (CHF). This application seeks to discharge Condition 4.

Condition 4 (Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy)

The condition reads as follows:

*"4. **Pre-Commencement (Slab Level) Condition:** No development shall commence until a Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy for Protected and Priority species has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The content of the Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy shall include the following:*
a) Purpose and conservation objectives for the proposed enhancement measures;
b) detailed designs to achieve stated objectives;
c) locations of proposed enhancement measures by appropriate maps and plans;
d) persons responsible for implementing the enhancement measures;
e) details of initial aftercare and long-term maintenance (where relevant).

The works shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details and shall be retained in that manner thereafter.

Reason: As these matters are fundamental to safeguard the ecology and biodiversity of the area in accordance with Policy 31 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015), and to enhance Protected and Priority Species/habitats and allow the Local Planning Authority to discharge its duties under the s40 of the NERC Act 2006 (Priority habitats & species).

Phlorum have prepared a Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy for Protected and Priority species to address the requirements of Condition 4.

Conclusion

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I trust that the above is in order and look forward to receiving confirmation that the application has been validated and approved in due course. If you have any queries or require further information, do please get in touch.

Yours sincerely,



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Director
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