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To: Stephanie.Bryant; Planning
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Dear Steph,

Despite the delisting of Moathouse Farm it remains a heritage asset of local interest. This includes its relationship to and within the historic moated platform. The proposed intensification of development compared to the outline plans will have a detrimental impact on the setting of this heritage asset. The historic farmstead should remain recognisable as something different to the suburban development that will surround it. The proposed layout is reminiscent of the density and grain of development elsewhere on the site. The result will be that the ability to understand and appreciate the heritage asset, its significance and its historic context will be significantly reduced. In order to prevent this I suggest a reduction in the number of dwellings and associated outbuildings and more separation of Moathouse Farm from the proposed dweliings. I would also suggest it remains as a single dwelling. It may be that a self contained annex could be created to make it appealing to an extended family and thereby reducing the need for additional garden boundaries and outbuildings.

The removal of the Horsham stone from the roof will harm the interest of this locally important building. This is an important local feature and will help to contextualise the new development giving it some sense of time depth. There is no shortage of local craftspeople able to relay the Horsham stone roof and provide stone to replace any lost due to cracking or fracture.

Regards,
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