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To: Heather Lealan
Subject: North Street Emsworth

Dear Heather,

Further to our conversation of today the following comments have been received from the project structural engineer and Principal designer for health and safety following our site meeting with Richard Nash.

Principal Designer:

In reply to the questions raised by our site meeting at 36 North Street, Emsworth, as Principal Designer assisting the project I must document the following.

Under the new CDM Regulations 2015 we are now required to work with other designers on the project to **eliminate** foreseeable health and safety risks to anyone affected by the work and, where that is not possible, take steps to **reduce or control** those risks.

With the above in mind I feel the general condition of the existing building is one that raises concern over how safe it would be to refurbish and extend the building in its present condition.

The proximity of the building to both the road and public walkways is also an issue which would cause risks to third parties and the onsite workforce.

As discussed at the meeting, it would be safer and more effective if the building were demolished and completely rebuilt, we would then be in a position to control the risks and eliminate hazards as the works progress.

I trust that this is an acceptable way forward and look forward to hearing further comments for the project.

Structural engineer:

Further to my site visit today and having considered the proposed works I cannot see that there is a safe method to retain the front and side elevations, whilst demolishing the remainder of the building. The risk of injury from collapse of these tall masonry walls, to the adjacent occupants, the public and the site operatives is high.

I would therefore strongly suggest that the building is completely demolished and rebuilt to suit.

I trust you find this in order but should you want to discuss further please give me a call.

Regards

Trevor Willcocks

Regards

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