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Dear Mr Moody,

East Grinstead Strategic Development

I understand that you have recently spoken to one of our local members, Tricia Butcher, regarding the above topic. As you are aware, the Countryside Access Forum for West Sussex (CAFWS) is keen to contribute to the process of ensuring the proposed new development at East Grinstead meets the needs of local people, particularly as regards access on foot, on cycle and on horseback.

CAFWS is also keen to ensure that any adverse effects on the existing rights of way network are mitigated and that proper account is taken of likely future pressures and demands. It is hoped that an early recognition of problems and opportunities will ensure that they will be properly accommodated when detailed design takes place. To this end, I am submitting a Bridleway/Footpath (ROW) Survey as discussed in a telephone conversation between yourself and Mrs Butcher in December 2007.

As mentioned in my previous letter to Judith Hewitt in July 2007, the Forum is also keen to see a multi-use link created between the Worth Way and Forest Way. It is suggested that this could possibly be achieved with a link from the Worth Way somewhere in the grid square 135/37.38 through the new housing estate to link with the High Weald Landscape Trail (FP 26a EG), on to Byway Open to All Traffic (BOAT) 23b at Boyles Farm, and on to the Sussex Border Path, to meet with the Forest Way in grid square 135/40.36. This would, of course, need more detailed investigation at the planning application stage.

I hope these comments are helpful. The District Council is required, in accordance with Section 94(5) of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, to have regard to relevant advice from this Forum in carrying out its functions. The Forum has established a local group to continue to contribute as your proposals are developed and liaison will usually be through Mrs Butcher.

Yours faithfully,

Fiona MacLeod



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