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Dear Mr Joyce,

RE: PLANNING APPEAL APP/Q4245/W/20/3258552 – APPEAL BY ACCRUE (FORUM) 1 LLP AT FORMER B&Q, GREAT STONE ROAD, OLD TRAFFORD.

I write in conjunction with the Council's submission of its Statement of Case in relation to the above appeal, which is to proceed by way of informal hearing.

It is acknowledged that the Council initially requested that this appeal proceed by way of informal hearing, and the appellants requested an inquiry. However, following a review of the appellant's Statement of Case, and the Council's own evidence, it is now requested by the Council that the evidence on financial viability and education contributions should be subject of cross examination and thus the inquiry procedure. It is estimated that this evidence would take one or two days.

The Council considers that the remaining evidence could still be heard via the hearing process in a hybrid appeal, or via round table sessions in an inquiry format, if the Inspector prefers.

Yours sincerely,

Rebecca Coley
Head of Planning and Development