

## Bradford on Avon Town Council

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Cllr. Richard Clewer Cabinet Office, County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14 8JN

10<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear Cllr Clewer,

I am writing with regards the Former Golf Course site in Bradford on Avon. Following a recent fact-finding meeting with developers Cala Homes, I am seeking urgent clarification on the current status of the site.

At the meeting, the Town Council was alarmed to note the apparent progression Cala Homes have made with the site and that also discussions with Wiltshire Council appear to have been taking place for some time.

Given that the site is a 'reserve site' and mindful of ClIr Nick Botterill's recent comments, as reported via the BBC, that the land would 'only be released if other development plan allocations are delayed or the windfall contribution from smaller sites fails to materialise", can you please clarify please the purpose of any discussions with Cala Homes regarding the site and what you perceive as the likelihood of development on the site being approved?

Bradford on Avon Town Council has made clear our continued opposition to development on this site. Our response to the draft local plan set out our reasoning as to why this site should be removed from the reserve list.

As I'm sure you appreciate, local residents and the town council are eager to learn what discussions have taken place between Wiltshire Council and Cala Homes. Given the strength of feelings about this site within the town, it is in everyone's interest that all details are made public urgently.

One of the significant areas of concern the town council has expressed is the poor access to the site. It appears as though the developers are seeking to enter the site via St Laurence Road and Greenland View. Please can you confirm if discussions have taken place with Wiltshire Highways already in respect to the access issues for this site?

I would also welcome a face-to-face meeting with the town council at your very earliest convenience to make sure we are all in possession of the full facts surrounding this potential development.

I look forward to receiving your reply very soon.

Kind Regards,

Cllr Jack Vittles

Mayor of Bradford on Avon

On behalf of Bradford on Avon Town Council