

# Little Hadham Parish Council

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Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> November 2003

Dear Mr Roat

## Re. Meeting held at Bury Green Farm, 10:30 p.m. Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2003

Thank you for giving Cllr Mrs Gibson and myself time to discuss your plans for the development of the Bury Green site – please extend our thanks to Mr Phil Roberts for attending the meeting. Once again the council would like to extend to you their welcome to the parish and hope that our relationship with you will be as cordial and constructive as with the previous owners of the site.

I would like if I may to confirm the main points of our meeting so as to give an accurate report to the council. As I understand it, you hope to let four of the more substantial buildings on the site to small firms – possibly biotechnology businesses. The surrounding fields you expect to keep as arable or meadow – possibly for the quarantine of racehorses should one of your partners decide to develop an equestrian centre, including a veterinary hospital, at the site. If horses are stored at the site, you may construct a cantering track for exercising them. In the future you may sell the fields as farmland – you have no plans to apply for permission to develop the fields for industrial or housing purposes.

The two farm cottages you intend to sell fairly soon while the Grove Houses will be let for about 3 years before they are refurbished for sale. Some of the less substantial industrial buildings to the south of the site you expect to demolish and replace with a small number of houses for sale – possibly as many as six subject to planning permission.

As part of your ownership, you are currently happy for the cricket field to remain in use and will confirm this with the Cricket Club when they contact you. You are willing for the Millennium Wood to continue as before. As part of the maintenance of the Romehold site, you are willing to continue cutting the grass on Bury Green and clear the village pond of silt and weed when necessary.

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You are aware that access for lorries is difficult around the Green and particularly down Ford Hill and you will encourage traffic to and from the site to use the direct road to the A120 near Hadham Hall, though you will not be able to enforce this.

You are aware that the fence near the rectangular pond in the south-west corner of the Green strays slightly onto the land the council rents from Lord Salisbury and you are willing to sign a clear statement to that effect. Should the need arise you will move the fence at your own expense including any legal expenses incurred by the council.

Please let me know if the foregoing is an accurate account of our meeting. I am sure that the council looks forward to working with you and your partners to the benefit of yourselves and the residents of Bury Green.

Yours sincerely

**B M Evans – Parish Clerk**

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9<sup>th</sup> December 2003

Dear Mr Evans

**Bury Green Farm – Oakcroft Holdings Ltd**

Thank you for your letter of 26<sup>th</sup> November 2003.

I confirm we act for Oakcroft Holdings Ltd who have acquired the above site and not Romchold Ltd as previously stated.

I am of course happy to confirm that your letter accurately reflects the discussion which took place between us. However we regarded the nature of our discussion to be informal and all objectives will have regard to the wishes of shareholders, commercial implications and planning considerations.

Nevertheless I am able to confirm that I can see no reason why the cricket field should not remain in use, the Millennium Wood continue and the position with regard to the fence be clarified in a way that is acceptable to you.

I shall certainly keep you closely advised as matters evolve.

Yours sincerely

  
Martin Roat