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Date: 30 November, 2020

Dear Mrs Vaz

Location – The Meadows Care Home Moorend Road Yardley Gobion
Enquiry – Institution has opened 'Asana Lodge' (Heal the Mind, Heal the Body) without permission.

I refer to our recent correspondence with regard to this site and also to the Planning Contravention Notice (PCN) that has been served on the property.

As you are aware, I have been investigating the change of use of this property from the nursing home to Asana Lodge.

During the investigation, it was noted that the initial consent allowing the building to be used as a nursing home included a planning condition preventing it from being changed to any other use without planning permission.:

6 THE PREMISES SHALL ONLY BE USED FOR A NURSING HOME AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE WHATSOEVER (INCLUDING ANY OTHER PURPOSE IN USE CLASS C2 OF THE SCHEDULE TO THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (USE CLASSES) ORDER 1987)

Furthermore, the detailed information that you provided within your response to the PCN also indicates that the current residents also utilise the large grounds as well. There has been some issue in the past with the land behind the neighbouring residents also being used in conjunction with the building. This was not included in the original planning permission and should you wish to continue utilising it, this will need to be reflected in the new planning application submission. Finally, a recent site visit noted that there was a portacabin sited to the east of the site, accessed from the service gates. This does not have any planning permission and will also need to be regularised if it is to remain on the site.

In order to seek regularisation for the use of the lodge, the portacabin and the external gardens, a planning application for change of use will be required. All applications are now made online following the link on the Councils homepage. Please note that the invite to make an application does not automatically grant you permission, as the application must follow the due process including public scrutiny.

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The advice provided in this letter does not prejudice the ultimate determination of any application.

I am aware that there may be some delay in the ability to have drawings commissioned etc due to the pandemic. As such the Council will expect an application submission within 28 days from the date of this letter before considering any further action to be taken.

I trust that this information is of use to you. If I can be of any further assistance, please contact me on the above number. Please note that I work part time and I have a message facility for when I am away from my desk. I endeavour to reply to all calls and emails as soon as is practicable on my return.

I look forward to your co-operation with this matter.

Yours faithfully

Michelle Jarvis

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