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Mr Colin Graham Miller Developments

Your Ref: Our Ref: APP/H4315/V/20/3265899

26 January 2021

Dear Mr Graham,

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 - Section 77 and Town and Country Planning (Inquiries Procedure) (England) Rules 2000 Application by Omega St Helens Ltd / T J Morris Ltd Site Address: Omega Zone 8, West of Omega South and South of the M62, St Helens, Merseyside, WA8 3TR

Further to my letter dated 20 January, I can now confirm the following;

The Inspector and Inquiry date

The Inspector instructed by the Secretary of State is Mr Mike Worden BA (Hons) DipTP MRTPI and the inquiry will open at 10.00am on 27 April 2021. We have currently scheduled 6 sitting days. Please can parties reserve Friday 7 May in case of an overrun.

The inquiry is likely to proceed virtually.

The Inspector will hold a case management conference with the main parties by Microsoft Teams at 2.00pm on 8 March 2021. The intention is that this meeting will also be used as an IT test. This will give you the opportunity to test the compatibility of your devices with Microsoft Teams, which is the platform that we would be using should the Inquiry proceed as a virtual, as opposed to face to face basis. More details will follow including an agenda and details of how to join. Each party should have a single spokesperson nominated to speak; the intended advocates should participate if at all possible. Please can you provide the name and email address of your spokesperson 7 days before the case conference, along with the names of any other participants.

In advance of the case management conference, parties are requested to focus only on the matters that are in dispute and give detailed consideration as to exactly what topics could most efficiently be dealt with as a round table discussion at the inquiry (or even just by written submissions) in order to ensure that the inquiry is conducted in an efficient and effective manner, optimising inquiry time. This will be an item on the agenda for the conference. In light of the outcome of that discussion, the Inspector will direct how the evidence will be dealt with at the inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

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