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Supporting Statement for an Extension to Planning Permission 18/0442/FUL

Dear Planning authority,

In August 2018 I was granted the opportunity of temporary planning permission under application number 18/0442/FUL to operate a glamping site for holidaying families.

I originally planned to fund and commence the project in time for the 2019 summer season. I was unfortunately prevented from doing this due to unexpected private litigation which proved ongoing, so the plans had to be temporarily halted.

As you know, when we reached the beginning of the 2020 season, the Covid19 pandemic struck and forced many businesses, including those in the leisure industry to close their doors. This being a temporary planning permission and the industry unable to trade due to the Covid19 pandemic, meant the investment in the infrastructure and business setup at that time, could not be justified.

We are now entering the 2021 season with hope for trading, and I am also now able to begin the necessary work. However, my temporary permission is due to lapse this year meaning there is no longer enough time to demonstrate the viability of the business within the temporary planning permission time frame.

I remain committed to bringing this project to fruition and believe it will be of great benefit to the local area and the leisure industry. Camping and outdoor holidays can potentially be a Covid safe outdoor way of families managing precious time away on holiday as we, as a country, slowly emerge from the effects of the pandemic.

I would like to request a time extension to the temporary planning permission granted, for the above reasons, under this application. I would be grateful if you would consider my reasoning for being unable to commence this project. I believe I can demonstrate the viability of this business through an extension to the temporary planning permission. I appreciate a further opportunity to bring the project to life.

Yours Sincerely
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