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Development Management

Buckinghamshire Council (Aylesbury Vale Area)

The Gateway,

Gatehouse Road,

Aylesbury,

HP19 8FF

Dear Sir/Madam

Re : Spring Hill Farm, Little Horwood Road, Great Horwood

Please find enclosed an application for a Certificate of Lawful Use for the above site. This seeks formal clarification that the following breaches are beyond the time limit for enforcement action -

- Non-compliance with conditions 3 and 4 of 78/01811/AV, which stated –
 - (3) The occupation of the dwelling shall be limited to a person solely or mainly employed, or last employed, in the locality in agriculture as defined in Section 290(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1971 or forestry (including any dependants of a person residing with him) or a widow or widower of such a person.
 - (4) The accommodation to be provided in the buildings hereby permitted shall be occupied as a single unit of private residential accommodation.
- The use of the Annex as a separate unit of accommodation.
- The use of the main farmyard area for the storage of caravans.

- The construction of a riding arena/manege.

The applicants have provided evidence of their employment histories and have clearly stated that they are not solely or mainly or last working/employed in agriculture. Although this evidence does not need to be corroborated by third party evidence, the applicant's accountant has confirmed, with similar certainty, that Mr Pearce has not had any involvement with agriculture businesses since the closure of his Poultry unit in 1990. Although not given on oath, the written statement fully supports the applicant's evidence.

Copies of signed tenancy agreements have been provided showing the continued use of the annex as an independent self-contained unit of accommodation from 2009 to present day.

Details regarding the caravan storage business are included, however these were previously investigated by the LPA's enforcement officers in the late 1990's, who at that point considered enforcement action would not be pursued. In addition, details from the Authorities Rates Department have been provided confirming the ongoing business use. Whilst income details in relation to this business have not been included in the submission (as these are paid into a personal bank account), the applicants have confirmed that this information can be provided if required.

With regard to the construction of the riding arena, these are clearly shown on Google Earth Pro App and in addition to this, invoice details for the construction materials are included, which also tie in with the dates of when this construction appeared on these images.

Whilst I hope that you will consider that the level of evidence provided meets the required tests, if you consider that further supporting information/evidence is needed please do not hesitate to request this.

Yours faithfully

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Cath Hems