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Dear Sir/ Madam,

**ROARING MEG RETAIL PARK, STEVENAGE, SG1 1XN
LINK ROAD PROPOSALS - IMPROVEMENTS TO INTERNAL ACCESS AND LAYOUT CONFIGURATION**

On behalf of our Client, Stevenage Retail Limited (SRL), we submit an application to Stevenage Borough Council for the creation of a new 'link road' between the north and south car parks at Roaring Meg Retail Park, to improve accessibility and circulation within the retail park, and removing unnecessary vehicle trips.

The application has been submitted via the planning portal, under reference PP-12949583, and comprises the following documents:

- Completed application Forms;
- Pre-requisite Application Fee;
- Covering Letter (this Letter);
- Completed CIL Form;
- Site Location Plan and Application Drawings, prepared by Mountford Pigott;
- Design and Access Statement, prepared by Mountford Pigott; and
- Transport Statement, prepared by TTP Consulting.

PROPOSALS

The proposed development comprises the creation of a new link road to improve accessibility, permeability and circulation within Roaring Meg Retail Park, reducing unnecessary vehicle movements and creating opportunities to enhance the existing pedestrian and visitor experience at Roaring Meg Retail Park.

The proposals broadly comprise the following elements:

- New vehicular link between the north and south car parks to improve connectivity and accessibility within the Retail Park;
- Retention and enhancements of existing planters with new replacement planting;

- Opportunities to animate the public realm with additional informal seating areas, and potential pop-up food and beverage provision;
- Provision of additional planters and benches / seating areas; and
- The proposals will also allocate space within the Retail Park for the Stevenage Cycle Share Scheme.

The application is supported by a Design and Access Statement, which sets out the proposals in further detail, and includes a number of visuals to demonstrate how the proposals may be delivered.

The proposals will improve connectivity within the Retail Park, as well as enhance the visitor experience at Roaring Meg, providing improved public realm, and creating a more attractive and pleasant environment when compared to existing under-utilised hardstanding. The proposals also have potential to contribute positively to accessibility through setting aside an area within the Site for the forthcoming Stevenage Cycle Share scheme.

We trust that you have sufficient information to validate the application, and I look forward to hearing confirmation of this in due course.

However, if you do have any queries or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Kirill Malkin (kirill.malkin@montagu-evans.co.uk) at these offices.

Yours faithfully,

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