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Dear Tim,

10<sup>th</sup> March 2023

## PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF LAND AT ST MARTIN CLOSE

Thank you for your letter of 21 February 2023.

The Council is sorry that the CLT is disappointed about the Council's proposed course of action and is sorry that you have taken a negative view. Nevertheless, the Council notes your continued interest in any proposed development.

I should point out that the Council does not accept that it is in any way acting unlawfully. The Council is taking care to ensure that it has taken into account all relevant considerations in its decision-making. In particular, any disposal will comply with the Council's duty under s 127 of the Local Government Act 1972, have regard to the impediments on the title and will lead to a planning policy compliant development. The Council has taken no decisions on the scale, nature or type of affordable housing or by whom it might be delivered; those matters will ultimately be for the developer.

The Parish Council will use the best endeavours as far as reasonable, in the negotiations with Millwood or other purchaser for the sale of St Martin Close east, to secure the involvement of the Community Land Trust in the provision of affordable housing at that site.

Yours sincerely

Miss Sally Mclean Clerk & Proper Officer Slaugham Parish Council Handcross Pavilion Management Committee

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