Appendix B: E-mail from Building with Nature dated 10th January 2023

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Sent: 10 January 2023 16:47
To: Development Management <<u>development.management@bristol.gov.uk</u>>
Subject: FAO. Richard Sewell, Case Officer (Land at Broom Hill/Brislington Meadows)

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Dear Richard,

I am getting in touch to clarify the status of the Building with Nature Design Award for Brislington Meadows, ahead of the Public Inquiry for land at Broom Hill/Brislington Meadows.

I can see that documents relating to the Building with Nature assessment and accreditation (submitted to the Council on 19 July 2022) (CD2.4 a, b and c) are included on your website as part of the <u>core documents full list</u>.

However, the Building with Nature Design Award for Brislington Meadows has been suspended after receiving a request to review the decision on the grounds the site fails to meet Building with Nature Standards, with new information provided to support the request. We are currently undertaking that review, and will not conclude until we are able to consider new information submitted, plus any new information emerging from the Public Inquiry. As such, we believe the Building with Nature assessment and accreditation documents (included in the 'core documents' on BCC's website) should not constitute evidence of compliance against the BwN Standards during the course of the Inquiry. You can find our Statement about the status of the award here: https://www.buildingwithnature.org.uk/bm-statement-dec22

Please be informed that we have been in touch with both the BwN Assessor at TEP and Homes England to ensure that if the Building with Nature Award is discussed at the Inquiry, it is highlighted that the Award has been suspended coupled with a reference to our statement against enquiry, to ensure all relevant parties have access to the statement. That way the Award status, reason for the suspension and info on when we will make a decision cannot be misrepresented.

Please do get in touch if you have any further questions about our position.

Very best wishes,

Gemma

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