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Dear Andy,

Outline Planning Application for Single chapel Crematorium with a single abated cremator and Natural Burial Site with associated access, car parking, landscaping and drainage. All matters reserved apart from access. Turners Hill Burial Ground, Turners Hill Road, Turners Hill, RH10 4PB Reference DM/20/2877

I refer to your letter of 27/10/20 requesting an extension of time for the above application until 22nd December 2020. The current determination period for this application expires on 4th November 2020.

I understand from our earlier discussion that this request is to enable the application to be determined at the District Planning Committee on 17th December 2020. It would be helpful for you to confirm that this is the case.

As you know the extension of time can only be made if agreed by the applicant. In order to assist with the decision on this matter it would help me to know if you are going to recommend approval of the application when you present it to the committee.

Failing this it would be helpful to understand whether the two outstanding issues of landscape impact/ and need for the facility are any nearer resolution. You have promised a response to Mark Gibbin's letter on landscape issues by Friday 30th; when I receive this, I will be in a better position to advise the applicant about his chances of success and therefore whether it is appropriate to agree to your request.

It would also be of significant assistance to know who is carrying out the expert crematorium need assessment on your behalf and when they will report back to you, again if this was available to me before 4th November it would guide my advice to my client.

Once I have your substantive responses on both these points, I may be able to gain support from my client to your request for an extension before the current deadline expires.

I want to be as helpful as possible, but you will appreciate, I am somewhat in the dark about the current progress of the application.

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Yours sincerely

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