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Our Ref: GBD 2012/0041
Your Ref W.Johnson
Date: 7th April 2016.

Sammons Architectural.
10 Cawdry Buildings,
Fountain Street,
Leek.
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Dear Sirs,

Re: Bark House Farm, Hulme Lane, Werrington.
Proposed change of use to Livestock Haulage Base.

We confirm that in September of 2013 we were instructed by the Directors of C & R Livestock Haulage limited to seek a potential replacement base for their business in the light of an application for residential permission upon their rented premises at Cellar Head.

Bearing in mind the criteria that the business had seven lorries to accommodate together with an overnight lairage requirement for up to 50 cattle and 600 sheep our first enquiries were addressed to the Trading Standard's department at Staffordshire County Council regarding the suitability of an urban site for re-location.

Their response was that it would be extremely unlikely for an urban location to meet the licencing requirements under Animal Health and Animal Transport Regulations and furthermore a rural location would need complete separation from any other livestock unit.

With that knowledge we spent the intervening period up to the application in July 2015 actively seeking a location within 10 miles of Leek involving putting proposals to property owners where there were livestock buildings that were under-used with reasonable vehicle access.

Despite several "in depth" discussions with property owners and the assistance of two other rural Estate Agents we have been unable, since the time of our instructions, to identify a suitable site that could be purchased other than Bark House Farm.

Yours faithfully

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For Daniel and Sons.