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Dear Mr Duncan

[SCE: 300] : REQUEST FOR SCREENING OPINION - PROPOSED REMODELLING OF WHISTON HALL GOLF COURSE, BLACK LANE, WHISTON TO FACILITATE ITS USE FOR DISABLED GOLF

THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2011: REGULATION 5 - SCREENING OPINION

I refer to your letter dated 3 March 2017, received by email, in connection with the above proposals and the regulations referred to above.

In accordance with the regulations the County Council is required to adopt a "Screening Opinion" to establish whether the forthcoming application should be accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

The County Council has considered the information you supplied as submitted and is of the opinion that the proposed development could fall within the description provided within Schedule 2 paragraphs **11 (b) 'Other projects - Installations for the disposal of waste', 12 (f) 'Golf courses and associated developments', or 13 (b) 'Changes and Extensions'** to the above regulations, and in the opinion of the County Council, having taken into account the criteria in Schedule 3 to the above regulations, the 'Planning Practice Guidance – Screening Schedule 2 projects' (version 6/3/14) and having consulted Natural England, the proposed development is potentially likely to have significant effects on the environment by virtue of factors such as its nature, size or location. A more detailed explanation is provided in the accompanying 'Screening Opinion Checklist'.

Therefore, in accordance with the powers contained in the 'Scheme of Delegation to Officers',

this letter confirms that the County Council is of the opinion that the proposed development **is EIA development** and must be accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

As a consequence, any forthcoming planning application for the proposed development will not be validated unless an Environmental Statement is submitted in accordance with the above regulations.

Guidance can be found in 'Planning Practice Guidance – Preparing an Environmental Statement'. If you require guidance as to the content of the Environmental Statement the County Council can provide a "Scoping Opinion" on written request.

If you have any further queries do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Accompanied by a Screening Opinion Checklist