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Dear Mr Hopkins,

Application for remodelling of existing golf course to improve on-site water management, accessibility and player safety through the importation of engineering materials to regrade and reprofile part of the existing golf course, with the construction of new attenuation and irrigation ponds, erection of an associated pump house and proposed landscaping and tree planting at Whiston Hall Golf Club, Black Lane, Whiston.

The Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017: Regulation 8 - Screening Opinion

I refer to the application (ref. SM.19/07/1141 W) and the regulations mentioned above.

In accordance with the regulations the County Council is required to adopt a "Screening Opinion" to establish whether the submitted application should be accompanied by an Environmental Statement. It is noted that the proposals have been revised and the extent of the application area has been reduced when compared to the proposals that were the basis for the Screening Opinion previously issued on 27 June 2018 (ref. SCE.301/Whiston Hall Golf).

The County Council has considered the application as submitted and is of the opinion that the proposed development falls within the description provided within Schedule 2 paragraph 11 'Other projects (b) Installations for the disposal of waste', Category 12 'Tourism and leisure (f) Golf courses and associated developments', or Category 13 'Changes and Extensions (b)' to the above regulations, but in the opinion of the County Council, having taken into account the criteria in Schedule 3 to the above regulations and the 'Planning Practice Guidance – Screening Schedule 2 projects' (version 28/7/17), the proposed development would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment by virtue of factors such as its nature, size or location. Further details are 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 not EIA development and need not be accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Yours sincerely,

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Accompanied by an EIA Screening Opinion Checklist