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Good morning further to your email and attachments in relation to the above I would like to raise the following points in response to the Council's Statement of case:-

Paragraph 5.7 states that the council has tried to work with the appellant but no amended plans were received. This statement is misleading as it insinuates that the appellant ignored the concerns raised by the council in relation to the proposed development, which is not the case.

I would like to refer the Inspector to the submitted covering letter and rather protracted exchange of emails contained therein which clearly set out that the appellant's position with regards to alternative positions for the development and provide sound and clear justification for why these were not considered viable. Indeed the Council accepted that there was no alternative position for the appeal building within the site and therefore the council's only alternative was to suggest erecting a building on land which is not owned by the appellant which is to be frank simply quite ludicrous. Indeed rather than support and promote development the council are quite openly stifling the development of an existing and well established company which currently contributes not only to the local economy through jobs, additional spend etc but also the wider community in terms of investment, charity donations, funding etc at the expense of protecting some white elephant project which has not materialised over the last however many years and is unlikely to do so due to ongoing constraints such as ownership, access etc. It is therefore abundantly clear that the only real alternative which exists for the appellant, should the appeal be refused, is to move manufacturing out of the area and away from the district which would obviously have a detrimental impact in terms of local jobs and the economy.

In terms of the suggested conditions, these are noted, and whilst the appellant has no significant issues with them these would appear somewhat onerous, especially conditions 4, 6 and 7, having regard to the fact that the site currently operates on a 24/7 basis without any restriction on use and that the appeal site is located on an existing industrial estate away from residential properties.

Kind Regards

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