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Our Ref:

Your Ref:

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Dear Mr Gardner,

**Application No. 20/03616/FUL
Construction of two barns and two polytunnels
Land North End of Cupid Green Lane, Hemel Hempstead**

I write regarding the above application, following David Irving's previous correspondence on 2nd December about a similar application on the site. I also apologise for the delay in responding which has been due to staff changes here at CPRE Hertfordshire, and may I introduce myself as the new Planning Manager in succession to Tim Hagyard.

I would initially wish to repeat all the points which David made in his earlier letter, and add that another application for barns and polytunnels on what appears to be a different part of the same site, would seem to add further complication to the anticipated plans for this sensitive Green Belt location. It also re-emphasises our previous concerns that there may be further proposals for a proliferation of buildings and polytunnels and it would be helpful to have an indication of the eventual plans for the sub-divided field.

Clearly CPRE Hertfordshire would support community agriculture projects such as that proposed by the application and it would be reasonable in our view for the Council to seek further information from the land-owner as to the longer term intentions for the land. Cupid Green Lane and Gaddesden Lane appear to be well used rural lanes, and continued sporadic development would be detrimental to the amenity of this open Green Belt location.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Berry
Planning Manager

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