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Mr Ian Ansell
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By email

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Dear Mr Ansell

Elms Farm, Berners Roding EPF/3022/20

Further to your conversation with the Parish Council Chairman, Cllr Bruce Stratton, I am writing to summarise the Parish Council's concerns in addition the objections to the planning application already made.

1. In July 2020 EFDC refused permission for the siting of three mobile homes (EPF/2336/19) on the basis: "The proposed mobile homes constitute inappropriate development within the Green Belt." We are of the opinion the proposed siting of the two mobile homes on agricultural land clearly falls under this category and should be refused on the same basis. If the Planning Department does agree to the mobile homes being allowed to remain on a temporary basis, there should be space within the existing farm yard to site the units without causing a detrimental impact on the openness and appearance of the surrounding site.
2. With regard to the applicant's letter 26th March, the Parish Council is pleased to note the applicants will not attempt to remove the footpath as part of any proposed changes.
3. Further to the applicant's letter 26th March point 3 the Parish Council would politely point out to the applicant that in 2017 application EPF/0875/17 was refused for the siting of one mobile home for a period of twelve months. As far as we are aware this is still on site. In 2019 an application for three mobile homes for a period of two years was refused and again, as far as we are aware, these units are still on site. What guarantees are there that in the event temporary permission was granted that any mobile homes will be removed within a two-year time frame?

Yours sincerely

Miss Karen Weare
Parish Clerk