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Dear Mr Sloman

Proposed Disposal of 1.2 ha of Peers School Site

As you know, the County Council is working with partners to establish a new Academy on the site of the Peers School in Littlemore. All the buildings will be demolished and new Academy built with a new site layout of buildings, pitches and play areas. To help fund the new Academy, the County council proposes to sell a strip of 1.2 ha along the western boundary for residential development as shown on the attached plan. All the capital receipt will be used for funding. The disposal would not affect the new Academy layout.

The proposed disposal area includes buildings, hard play areas, parking and grass areas. As the pitches and hard play areas are considered to be "playing field" within the meaning of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, S77 consent is required from the Secretary of State. There are specified Government standards for the buildings, playing field and site area of the secondary school, but not the Academy. Space standards do not apply to academies, but consent is still required because part of the disposal land will have been used for playing field during the last 10 years. This procedure entails extensive consultation of local bodies, including the City Council as the local council.

Will you please send me your Council's comments on the proposed disposal in so far as it affects the provision of education at the School and any effect on use by the by the community or sports clubs. The disposal would affect the Littlemore Rugby Club, although their rented club house and pitches are outside the disposal area. The Club would of course be directly affected by the new Academy layout. I am not aware of any community use of the those parts of playing field within the proposed disposal site.

This consultation is not a proxy planning consultation, which would be subject of a subsequent and separate application, nor is it consultation of the City Council as an

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adjacent landowner consultation, which would again take place subsequently and separately.

Yours Sincerely

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Regional Director

For and on behalf of Mouchel

