

WELWYN HATFIELD

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PLANNING

Ms. Cynthia Palmer
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Reference to Planning application : 6/2020/0311/MAJ
Proposed development of : Nyn Park, Well Road, Northaw, Potters Bar, EN6 4BS
Proposed Engineering works comprising ground works and shaping of land to create a golf course and erection of a single storey maintenance building.

Dear Ms. Palmer,

I write in reference to the above application, having recently liaised with you via email regarding another planning application for 79 The Ridgeway which was somehow approved. I apologise if I appear as a resident intent on complaining against every proposal put forward, I assure you that is not the case, I have absolutely no desire to stand in the way of sensible progress.

The address referred to above is the farm house, buildings and accompanying land at the base of the valley. The gentleman concerned I understand has tried repeatedly to propose housing development on this area of outstanding natural beauty and as I am sure your records will show, numerous efforts have been made to prevent him from doing so.

The above application is for a private golf-course. As residents, we were told several months ago that one of his schemes would indeed be to apply for such planning, a move that in time allows him to then apply for housing development on land which has assumed a different status? I apologise for my lack of knowledge on this subject, I am simply repeating the words of worried and concerned neighbours.

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I am of course therefore very concerned to hear yet another proposal has been put forward, one that in time may well allow the status of the land to change and result in housing development to be permitted.

I look forward to receiving your feedback Ms Palmer and once again thank you in advance for your help in this matter.