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Dear Cllr Louki,

The Town and Country Planning (Consultation) (England) Direction 2009

Applications by St Edward Homes Limited for:

(1) “Full planning application for the demolition of existing building and car park and erection of buildings to provide residential units, a replacement retail foodstore with additional commercial, business and service space, and a flexible community space, and ancillary plant, access, servicing and car parking, landscaping and associated works” at Homebase, Syon Lane, Isleworth TW7 5QE (App Ref: 00505/H/P19)

“Outline planning application with all matters reserved except access for the demolition of existing building and car park and erection of buildings to provide residential homes, plus flexible non-residential space comprising commercial, business and service space, and/or learning and non-residential institution space, and/or local community space, and/or public house/drinking establishment, and/or a mobility hub, along with associated access, bus turning, car and cycle parking, and landscaping arrangements” at Tesco, Syon Lane, Isleworth, TW7 5NZ (App Ref: 01106/B/P137)

I am writing to let you know that the Secretary of State has today called-in for his own determination the above planning application.

The Government’s policy on call in is to be very selective. It is right that in almost all cases the initial decision on whether the application should proceed should be taken by the local planning authority. In general, planning applications are only called-in if planning issues of more than local importance are involved.

The Secretary of State has indicated, however, that there are occasions when it is right for him to decide the issue, normally following a public inquiry. I am enclosing a copy of a letter that the Planning Casework Unit has sent to the London Borough of Hounslow. This indicates the issues on which the Secretary of State wishes to be informed for the purposes of his consideration of the application.

Arrangements for the public inquiry will be made shortly and the details advertised locally nearer the time. I will ensure that you are informed of the Secretary of State's decision on the application in due course.

Yours Ever
Chris
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