

Deborah O'Brien

From: Deborah O'Brien <ludgershallpc@btinternet.com>
Sent: 03 July 2017 14:32
To: 'Sinclair Burton'
Subject: RE: Ludgershall Parish Council: Pennwood House

Dear Sinclair,

Thank you for your e-mail which I shall forward on to the councillors (with the exception of Cllr Lawson). The Parish Council has already received a copy of Ms Benham's letter. To answer your points:

1. As I indicated in our first instruction, Cllr Lawson has at all times recused himself from discussions and has not been privy to any of the e-mails relating to this matter. His recusal from discussions is well documented in the Parish Council minutes. He is not yet even aware of your advice.
2. The Parish Council will, as in the previous two cases handled by Parrott & Coales, take expert valuation advice from the District Valuer.
3. It is the Parish Council's intention that all costs relating to this matter are to be borne by the applicants Mr Mrs Lawson and the applicants are aware of this. There has been some discussion over the initial advice charge from yourself, but as you indicated today without this application the Parish Council would not have incurred this cost and so the applicants should be responsible for the charge.

Please can you arrange for the invoice for the advice to be presented as soon as possible? We have a Parish Council meeting on 10th July where payment can be made and our next meeting is not until September.

Yours sincerely,

Deborah O'Brien MILCM
Locum Clerk
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From: Sinclair Burton [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 July 2017 14:13
To: ludgershallpc@btinternet.com
Subject: FW: Ludgershall Parish Council: Pennwood House
Importance: High

Dear Deborah

I refer to the email below from the solicitors acting from Mr and Mrs Pridgeon and the attached email. The contents are self-explanatory. This does not alter my advice but I wish to make the following comments:

1. In my advice I have assumed you are aware of the ethical conduct requirements of Mr Lawson and understand he has recused himself from discussions and voting on the subject.
2. You will, of course, have to take expert advice on the value of the easement if the council decides to grant it and I touched on this in my advice.
3. Mr Lawson should pay the costs involved in granting the easement if the council decides to do so.

Yours sincerely

Sinclair