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I am aware that on 23rd September 2016 Historic England (Simon Ramsden) wrote to Louise Fradd concerning the East of Bath park and ride. This included advice as to the value of being able to reassure UNESCO, the Department for Culture, Media and Sport and Historic England, amongst others, that the Council has considered and applied, at this stage, a preliminary assessment which acknowledges the specific International Council on Monuments and Site's Heritage Impact Assessment guidelines and Historic England's guidance on setting and views. Please would you provide me with a copy of this letter from Simon?

Response

Please see copies of email below and letter attached. Please note that personal data has been removed. This information is exempt from disclosure under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (Personal Information). This section of the Act provides an exemption to the general right of access to information, where the disclosure of personal information would breach any of the Data Protection principles. The Council considers that disclosure of this information would constitute a breach of the fairness requirement of the first principle. This is because the individuals in question have not consented to the disclosure of their details. In addition they have a reasonable expectation that the Council will keep their information confidential.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 November 2016 14:12
To: [REDACTED]@HistoricEngland.org.uk'
Subject: FW: B&NES & Historic England Meeting: 25.10.16

Hi [REDACTED]

Many apologies you should have been copied into the email sent to [REDACTED] yesterday

Regards

Jo

From: Louise Fradd
Sent: 01 November 2016 08:46
To: [REDACTED]@HistoricEngland.org.uk'
Subject: B&NES & Historic England Meeting: 25.10.16

Dear [REDACTED]

As promised at our meeting on 25th October I have outlined below the process adopted to identify a preferred site for a Park and Ride facility, which recognises the importance of the World Heritage Status setting.

At the meeting Lisa referred to work undertaken by the Council's Cross Party Local Development Framework Steering Group (LDF) following a Full Council resolution last November. The LDF Group were asked to assess all potential sites that might be capable of meeting the identified need for a Park and Ride to support the Council's growth aspirations set out in the adopted Core Strategy. The Group met on four separate occasions, assessed around 21 site options, and they also visited some of the sites. As part of this process

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they were provided with transport, planning and property advice for each of the site options.

In addition, the Council's HYPERLINK "<https://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=554&Year=0>" Communities, Transport and Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel held a Scrutiny Day to examine a wide range of integrated transport solutions for the east of Bath.

This work was received by Cabinet in May and you can view the relevant papers via the following link HYPERLINK "<https://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=122&MId=4525&Ver=4>" Cabinet. From the supporting documentation, you will see that the World Heritage Site and its Setting were integral to the assessment of the various options. In particular Appendix 2 refers. Following the May Cabinet officers were asked to work up detailed drawings of the options for sites and to instruct planning agents and landscape architects to develop pre-application submissions on a number of options. This submission included reference to WHS and relevant guidance. These options were considered by the Council's Development Team, which included a Senior Conservation Officer, the advice included a reference to the Heritage Impact Assessment

In response to this advice, the planning agent has commenced work on the HIA in order to support a forthcoming Cabinet report, which will set out the option or options for a preferred site to be tested through the planning process.

I hope that this information provides the reassurance you require to demonstrate a proportionate approach, in terms of assessing the various potential sites to date, and that the appropriate process will be followed as the work progresses.

I agree with your suggestion that it would be helpful for the Council to consult Historic England and the Department for Culture, Media and Sport at key stages. We will contact you again as the Cabinet report progresses.

I hope this is helpful but please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions and if you would like to meet again.

Regards

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From: [REDACTED]@HistoricEngland.org.uk]

Sent: 23 September 2016 15:57

To: Louise Fradd

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: PR letter 23 9 16 RT

Dear Louise

Following yesterday's Hearing in Public to examine the soundness of the Placemaking Plan, it became evident that the Council intends to consider the Park and Ride matter in the near future. Attached is a letter outlining the need for an appropriate assessment to consider the impact of these proposed facilities, and the strategic the A36/46 link road, upon the World Heritage Site.

Regards

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