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Dear Mr Smith,

Whitewebbs Park

We refer to your letter dated 31 January 2023 in response to our letter dated 10 January 2023. We do not consider that Article 20 of the GLPO answers the point made in our previous letter, namely that s.131 of the LGA limits the council's power under s.123 of the LGA by reference to the council's powers under the GLPO. The operative limitation on the council's power under s.123 of the LGA is to be found in the LGA itself, at s.131, not in the GLPO. Hence Article 20 of the GLPO does not apply.

Nevertheless, in view of the content and tone of your letter (including your description of our above contention as 'misconceived'), we understand that the council intends to proceed with entering into the proposed agreement (subject to consultation). In view of this, and your refusal to provide 21 days' notice prior to entering into a conditional agreement for a lease with THFC, would you be kind enough to confirm that a decision to do so would be a 'key decision' within the meaning of Regulation 8 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

For the avoidance of doubt, we continue to rely on the two points made in the second and third paragraphs on page 2 of our previous letter but do not consider anything in your letter requires any further response.

Yours sincerely,
Alice Roberts CPRE London
Sean Wilkinson, Friends of Whitewebbs Park
Carol Fisk, Enfield Roadwatch