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Dear Helen

Thank you for your correspondence of 14 November 2018.

I can confirm that the complaint investigated by the Department in relation to use of public funds, was closed in July 2017 and related to legal expenses incurred for land at Stoke Lodge, Stoke Bishop, Bristol - Cotham School's playing fields. The school were not considered to be in breach of their funding agreement, which includes the school operating in accordance with the Academies Financial Handbook.

I hope this assists in clarifying the position in relation to this matter.

Yours sincerely

Tanya Arkle,

Deputy Director, Academies South