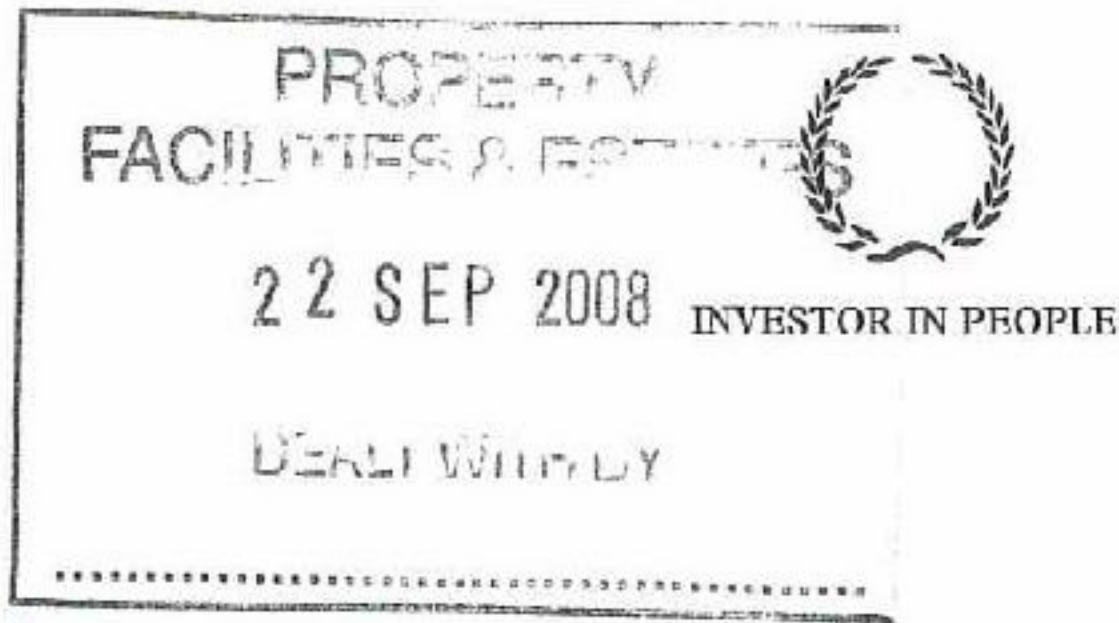


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19 September 2008

Dear Ms Brady

Tunbridge Wells Cemetery, Benhall Mill Road, Tunbridge Wells

Further to our exchange of emails, I have now obtained records of the cemetery held by the Diocese of Chichester. It appears from the papers that the original cemetery was consecrated on 18 October 1873 following which subsequent additions were consecrated on 11 November 1913 and 4 October 1962.

The Petition for Consecration of the additional burial ground dated 3 October 1962 contained a plan showing the areas of the cemetery which had previously been consecrated. I have photocopied the area in question and attach this showing the consecrated land edged blue. As you will see the site of your depot is not consecrated land. It would be hoped that any development of this land would be sympathetic to the nature of the surrounding burial ground and we would wish to be consulted as part of the planning process.

Please let me know if you would like to have a copy of the 1962 Petition.

Yours sincerely,

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G R Marsh
Assistant Diocesan Secretary

cc: *Archdeacon of Tonbridge - for info*