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Subject: Killington Lake

Dear Michael.

Please accept my apologies for not getting back to you last week on the proposal to let a building at Killington Lake service are for use by St Johns Ambulance. I have now been able to familiarise my self with the site and have considered the principle of the proposals.

One of the key messages of the circular 01/2008 is that an MSA should not become in any way a destination in its own right, and that they should only provide facilities that that serve the users of the road network in the course of a journey. At first glance this would seem to immediately preclude it from being used in the way that you have suggested:

However, certain activities have been allowed where not already precluded by the policy and where they can be shown to reduce trips or vehicle miles or. These proposals need to be supported by an impact assessment. The impact assessment does require again that the destination issue is addressed, and the benefits to the service area user are explained, among other requirements

Although I do not know exactly how the building might be used by St Johns Ambulance, my feeling is that it could not satisfy the requirements of the policy or be justified through a supporting IA

Although then I believe that the proposal would not be acceptable based on the information I have, I would be happy to receive more information from you and to discuss the issues further.

Regards,

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