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**To:** Julie Tassell (External)  
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Dear Councillor Tassell

I am writing further to your email of 5th March 2010. I apologise for the delay in responding, however, you will be aware that I have been involved in lengthy correspondence with both Dr Strickland and WSCC with a view towards resolving this matter, and I thought there was little point reverting to you until progress had been made.

I can confirm that I have this morning approved a landscaping scheme submitted by Dr Strickland which involves the planting of a non-prickly native species hedge to the inner side of the fence line to the southern, eastern and western boundaries (we have not insisted on planting to the northern boundary). The scheme involves a single line of hedge plants (rather than the normal double row) which Dr S believes can be accommodated without imposing a health and safety risk. He believes he should be able to carry out the planting in the next week or so, and intends going ahead with his opening event which I believe is imminent.

Whilst I note your views about the principle of planting a hedge in this case I would hope you can agree that the scheme we have agreed represents a fair compromise.

Please do let me know if you wish to discuss matters further.

Yours sincerely

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