

Appendix B – Engagement with Ward Councillors

From: Soars, Graham: WCC < >

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Subject: Balmoral Castle and Darwin House

Dear Cllr Williams

In terms of your reference to “stage 2”, I assume you are referring to Block B, the 18 Intermediate Homes on the site of the existing Darwin House.

I confirm that the Main Works Contract the Council are about to enter into covers both Blocks A and B. The detail is the same as the approved Planning permission, subject to minor changes agreed during the Contract negotiations, which are yet to be formally approved by the Planners. These minor changes will be approved by way of a Non Material Amendment to the Planning Approval and Condition discharge.

As far as Block B is concerned there are currently no plans to make any changes to either the tenure or design. However, there is scope to incorporate Change, if required by the Cabinet Member or from a Project Viability perspective, given that Block B is not due to commence construction until June 25. A decision either way would be required by Dec 24 at the latest to avoid a delay to the Programme. These dates are based on the current programme and may be subject to change.

Kind Regards

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Sent: 08 March 2023 16:45

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Subject: Re: Balmoral Castle and Darwin House

Thanks Graham, can I check if there were plans for stage 2 and if these were the same in the agreed planning application or if any changes are going to be made?

Regards

Jason

From: Soars, Graham: WCC < >

Sent: 08 March 2023 10:24

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Dear All

Please find attached a Ward Councillor Briefing Note dated 8thMarch for this development.

We are about to present the Cabinet Member Report seeking approval of the Appropriation for Planning purposes for the land required to deliver Phase 2 of the development (Block A – 34 Community Supported Homes)

As part of preparing the Cabinet Member Report we are required to seek any comments you as Ward Councillors may have and incorporate these into the Report.

Please can you get back to me by 15 March should you have any comments.

Many thanks

Kind Regards

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