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On behalf of the Forest Folk Allotment Society.

MATTER 2 – GENERAL ISSUES

4. The Allotments are Statutory and therefore fall within the remit of the Allotment Acts. In particular, the Allotment Act 1925 outlines that adequate provision will be made for allotment holders displaced by the action of the local authority. No proposal, firm or otherwise, has been made to the Association for a possible alternative site. The process, in our view, has not been sound as we have not been notified of the possible change of use.

There is also an obligation contained within the Human Rights Act 1998 (which gives legal effect in the United Kingdom to fundamental rights and freedoms which are contained in the European Convention on Human Rights) which requires that local authorities and their agents ensure all policies, practices and procedures do not contravene the Act; and that all decisions which affect people comply with the Act.

Blidworth Parish Council – Consultation and comments form – site specific Blidworth

The village of Blidworth although there was not any opposition to the change of use originally (refer to item 1 – no one was aware) There is now significant support to save the allotment site including a petition which currently has 600+ signatures and rising rapidly daily

Thank you

Blidworth Forest Folk Allotment Society