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Dear Ms McCaskie,

Thank you for notifying me about the new date for the planning appeal made by Mrs Emma Harrison. Unfortunately I will be away that week and will not be able to attend.

I do feel very strongly that Mrs Harrison should not be allowed to make such dramatic changes to the land at Thornbridge without first gaining permission. I am particularly concerned about the two lane road that has been driven right through the heart of the park when a road to the house and car park already exists. Surely it would have been much less intrusive to simply extend the existing car park and to use the existing road. There has apparently been no concern for the local wildlife at a time when we are losing our native species at an alarming rate. These matters should be taken into account with any new development.

I'm sure Mrs Harrison will argue that many people have visited this summer and said how much they have enjoyed the new facilities. This, however, is not the point. The point is that she must comply with the law like all other residents of the Peak Park regardless of her wealth and her ability to endlessly appeal your decisions. If she is allowed to 'get away' with her unauthorised changes it will send a very dangerous message to others in her position.

I have no objection to Mrs Harrison developing her business at Thornbridge. I have myself enjoyed the cafe and the plant nursery and would like to visit again in the future but these should be built in such a way that is in keeping with the existing house and without causing serious harm to the wonderful parkland surrounding it.

I would like to be notified about the result of the planning appeal.

Yours sincerely, Jackie Mantell.