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Dear Mr Frost

Crouchlands Appeal hearing

I have been asked to write on behalf of Plaistow and Ifold Parish Council to record the Council's thanks to all those involved in the recently closed Crouchlands Appeal Inquiry. The Parish Council is aware that, what eventually extended into a 12- day public Inquiry, is simply the visible tip of an iceberg with enormous time and effort being expended in the pre inquiry appeal preparations. Accordingly, I would ask that you convey the Council's thanks to all who have been involved in the appeal both prior and during the Inquiry process, with particular mention of the lead taken by David Crammer.

The Council would also comment on the excellent choice of Barrister. In an appeal which covered such wide range of matters and accompanying large volume of core documents, Matthew Reed KC demonstrated a detailed grasp of even the smallest detail and was tenacious in chasing down all issues.

The Parish Council understands the high costs associated with appeals and commends Chichester District Council for its vigorous defence of planning policy. Unless there is a preparedness to defend planning policy then there would be little point in making such policy in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,

J Bromley

Clerk & RFO of Plaistow and Ifold Parish Council

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