

## **Sean Roberts**

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**From:** Alex Yendole  
**Sent:** 05 November 2013 15:53  
**To:** Programme Officer  
**Subject:** Policies N8 / N9 – Submit latest English Heritage view re: Trentham Gardens policy  
**Attachments:** 5Nov2013 Email Policies N8 N9 Submit Latest English Heritage View re Trentham Estate and Gardens Policy.docx

Dear Sean

### **Policies N8 / N9 – Submit latest English Heritage view re: Trentham Gardens policy**

Please find attached a series of e-mails between English Heritage and the Council setting to the latest views regarding Policy N8 & N9 on the Trentham Estate and Gardens.

Kind regards

Alex

**PLAN FOR STAFFORD BOROUGH – EXAMINATION HOMEWORK**

**POLICIES N8 / N9 – SUBMIT LATEST ENGLISH HERITAGE VIEW RE: TRENTHAM ESTATE AND GARDENS POLICY.**

**From:** Rohan Torkildsen [mailto:rohantorkildsen@blueyonder.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 30 October 2013 18:24  
**To:** Alex Yendole  
**Cc:** ian.george@english-heritage.org.uk; alan.taylor@english-heritage.org.uk; Rohan Torkildsen  
**Subject:** Re: Trentham

Hello Alex, I can confirm that I am comfortable in there being the consideration of a site specific policy in the Site Allocations DPD if deemed an appropriate alternative to deliver the shared objectives for Trentham.

Rohan

Sent from my iPad

On 30 Oct 2013, at 18:16, Alex Yendole <[ayendole@staffordbc.gov.uk](mailto:ayendole@staffordbc.gov.uk)> wrote:

Rohan

Thanks for the message.

Can you confirm that an appropriate alternative means may be through a Site Allocations DPD if a site specific policy is considered necessary.

Alex

**From:** Rohan Torkildsen [mailto:rohantorkildsen@blueyonder.co.uk]  
**Sent:** 30 October 2013 16:06  
**To:** Alex Yendole  
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**Subject:** Trentham

Hello Alex

Further to my email below and our telephone conversation today I can confirm the following:

English Heritage support the inclusion of a specific policy for Trentham as per our Alan Taylor's formal correspondence. We are however prepared to accept an appropriate alternative means that would deliver the same objective.

I repeat, that English Heritage will not be attending the EIP on this occasion as I consider it appropriate to rely on our written correspondence to inform this matter. I am of course happy to further clarify our position if required.

Regards.  
Rohan

Rohan Torkildsen  
Historic environment planning advisor

Sent from my iPad

On 30 Oct 2013, at 13:56, Alex Yendole <[ayendole@staffordbc.gov.uk](mailto:ayendole@staffordbc.gov.uk)> wrote:

Hi Rohan

Good speaking to you earlier.

Please could you respond to set out the English Heritage position regarding the site-specific policy at Trentham Estate.

Kind regards

Alex

**From:** Torkildsen, Rohan [<mailto:Rohan.Torkildsen@english-heritage.org.uk>]

**Sent:** 23 October 2013 11:26

**To:** Alex Yendole

**Subject:** RE: Burleyfields, Stafford - Historic Working Group Note

Hello Alex, I have now looked into the matter as promised.

English Heritage were made aware of the lack of a specific Trentham Gardens policy after the *Duty to Cooperate* letter was sent to you 29/07/13.

As this letter does not prejudice our further engagement I think it is reasonable, in principle, for our (Alan Taylor) specific representation to be made. I do appreciate that this is less than ideal however as I say the relevance of this matter appears only to have come to our attention very recently.

Alan Taylor (EH Inspector for Historic Buildings and Areas) has been involved with Trentham for many years.

From my consideration of the substance of the matter it appears that your (understandable) opposition to the (understandable) request for a specific policy appears to be that it is unnecessary rather than (importantly) to what the policy is actually proposing.

I can confirm that English Heritage will not be attending the EIP to debate this matter.

Happy to discuss further if helpful.

Rohan

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**From:** Alex Yendole [<mailto:ayendole@staffordbc.gov.uk>]  
**Sent:** 21 October 2013 11:51  
**To:** Torkildsen, Rohan  
**Subject:** RE: Burleyfields, Stafford - Historic Working Group Note

Thanks Rohan

Alex

**From:** Torkildsen, Rohan [<mailto:Rohan.Torkildsen@english-heritage.org.uk>]  
**Sent:** 21 October 2013 11:44  
**To:** Alex Yendole  
**Subject:** RE: Burleyfields, Stafford - Historic Working Group Note

Thanks Alex, very useful synopsis.

To keep you in the loop.

Today I'm interviewing all day in B'ham then in a WHS mtg most of tomorrow so will try and catch up with colleague, sort and get back to you as soon as I can.

Rohan

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**From:** Alex Yendole [<mailto:ayendole@staffordbc.gov.uk>]  
**Sent:** 21 October 2013 10:49  
**To:** Torkildsen, Rohan  
**Subject:** RE: Burleyfields, Stafford - Historic Working Group Note

Hi Rohan

Thanks for the message.

Please find set out below the Council's position regarding this matter, to be presented to the Inspector next week:

Matter 6- Economy	M6 -5a	St Modwen identify that the outline application at Trentham Gardens Estate has expired in November 2012, with not all works completed through the restoration programme. A planning policy is necessary to deliver the rest of the enabling development. An effective framework to promote development of the Trentham Estate and Gardens as a major tourist / leisure and recreation destination shown through the existing Stafford Borough Local Plan 2001 with the Inspector's Report provided as evidence. St Modwen considers such a policy is still relevant for the new Local Plan to guide future development.	Barton Willmore on behalf of Trentham Leisure	A site specific policy in the Stafford Borough Local Plan 2001 was used to assist delivery of major restoration at Trentham Estate and Gardens. The Local Authority considers that the majority of this restoration has now occurred so a new policy is not necessary.  Any proposed future development can be considered through other policies in the new Local Plan including the economy and environment sections.
Matter 9- Environment		A site specific policy should be included for Trentham Estate and Gardens as being useful. Specific reference to Listed or historic buildings to guide new development within the Registered Park and Garden should be included with the designated Conservation Area rather than more general wording to emphasise the significance of these heritage assets.	English Heritage	The Council does not consider it is appropriate to have a specific policy for Trentham Estate and Gardens, which can be considered through other policies.

Looking forward to hearing from you

Alex

**From:** Torkildsen, Rohan [<mailto:Rohan.Torkildsen@english-heritage.org.uk>]

**Sent:** 21 October 2013 10:39

**To:** Alex Yendole

**Subject:** RE: Burleyfields, Stafford - Historic Working Group Note

Alex, sorry for not getting back sooner. I'm urgently trying to get to the bottom of this.

Without prejudice I'll need to understand the importance of the suggested policy change, and also appreciate from you the background as to why it isn't there and why it can't be.

My apologies for not having the answers to hand.

Rohan

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**From:** Alex Yendole [<mailto:ayendole@staffordbc.gov.uk>]

**Sent:** 17 October 2013 13:21

**To:** Torkildsen, Rohan

**Subject:** RE: Burleyfields, Stafford - Historic Working Group Note

Hi Rohan

I wish to raise a matter about the Stafford Borough Local Plan Examination.

Are you aware that one of your colleagues at English Heritage is supporting an objector to the Plan in seeking a site-specific policy for Trentham Gardens (e-mail attached)?

We are concerned that this runs counter to the overall strategic approach for the Plan and is contrary to the letter sent through concerning the Duty to Co-operate from English Heritage on 29 July 2013 (attached).

Please could you confirm your position and whether you will be attending the Examination regarding the Environment to support this objection?

Kind regards

Alex