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Mr Nigel Tigwell Clerk Dartmoor Forest Parish Council Wheal Lucky House Rundlestone Princetown PL20 6SS

Dear Nigel,

## **DARTMOOR: Beardown Farm: Unauthorised Chalet**

Please accept my sincere apologies for the delay in replying to your February letter regarding the above. This letter was of course sent to both the Duchy and Stephen Belli, the DNPA's Head of Planning however on receipt of the letter, I telephoned Stephen and agreed that I would write to you with an update. I must therefore reiterate my apologies for the slow response.

I should firstly clarify for your Council that the Duchy of Cornwall does not enjoy any planning privileges and as you are aware, this particular case relates to a matter involving the tenant at Beardown Farm. The Duchy as Landlord has however been involved in discussions between the DNPA and the tenant to ascertain whether suitable changes could be made to the chalet structure to ensure it is acceptable, with such an amended package then being made subject to a new planning application by the tenant.

Whilst you correctly say that this case has been on-going for some time, I am able to confirm that a decision has been taken that it will not be practically possible to adapt the external appearance of the structure so that it is in-keeping with the vernacular of the area and to this end, the DNPA has confirmed its intention to pursue the enforcement action if the building is not removed imminently. It is however highly likely that the tenant will remove the structure in the next few weeks and the DNPA will be making a site inspection to ensure completion. I am in contact with the tenant as well.

Do let me know if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

Tom Stratton for Land Steward

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