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Dear Mr Derrick

**Enforcement Case Number 06/5910**  
**Land adjacent Copperfields, Pollards Moor Lane, Copythorne**

Further to my letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> November I am writing to keep you updated on progress in relation to the enforcement issues at the above site. I apologise for the delay since the previous update but I have been waiting for further information from various parties.

Since my last letter the Environment Agency and Environmental Protection have been working hard to make every effort to ensure the investigation on the site is commenced as soon as is reasonably practical. I understand that the recent weather has not helped and the waterlogged nature of the site is such that the originally anticipated start in January has been deferred. Both Carole Gallagher (Environmental Protection) and Sue Fewings (Environment Agency) will be contacting me as soon as there is a clear date for commencement and I will inform you immediately of this. You will recall that the investigation is expected to take up to 13 weeks to complete (and obviously this is subject to weather conditions, which, I am told, does have the ability to delay progress). Once the results are known I will be in a position to analyse these with the respective agencies before reporting back to our members with some clear recommendations.

The Authority's solicitor is currently liaising with Counsel concerning securing an injunction. I am unable to confirm a clear timetable on this issue currently as the solicitor is endeavouring to secure the dates when Counsel is available to pursue the case. I will keep you posted on progress in this particular issue.

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I continue to update to members on progress at the Planning Development Control Meetings on a monthly basis. The update does not include any additional information other than that explained in my letters to you, however the reports are available to be viewed on the Authority's website should you wish to check.

I am aware that the Environment Agency has taken a sample of the blue coloured sediment from the ditch adjacent to the site following recent communications with residents over the Christmas period. I am being kept updated on this issue and, should I receive any further information, I will forward it to you.

I trust this provides a helpful update in relation to the efforts that are being made to secure compliance however should you have any queries concerning the above information, please feel free to contact me on the number given below.

Yours sincerely

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