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and social care services"**



Thursday, 29 May 2008

Dear Mike

Thank you for meeting with members of the Alliance of Service Users and Carers on 29th April 2008, to discuss "Shared Space".

Unfortunately we feel that we did not reach a satisfactory conclusion at this meeting and we think we should have more knowledge of the area before it becomes instituted and not afterwards when it is too late. Can you confirm the exact specifications you will be applying?

To help us better understand the issues involved, we would like to see a copy of the criteria by which the council approach the present planning application for Shared Space Developments.

Regarding surfaces, we have concerns about the inner and outer saw lines. In particular your reference to the inner saw line, as we think this can be evidenced without infringing on private property. You mentioned that two metres should be clearly marked for pedestrian use, we would like more clarification on this, and for example does this mean one metre on either side?

Hence we feel if there is an area elsewhere in the country with the same or similar design features that it would be worthwhile for your department to sponsor a group to look at this.

As there were several points that we did not reach agreement on we reserve the right to challenge any plans or proposals that that are put forward and hope that you will be able to brief us on any new design features that would affect us.

Yours Sincerely

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