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Dear Mr Thompson

Summercross Public House, Otley

Following our discussion on Friday outside the Summercross, in front of your solicitor, Stuart Murray of Lister Croft, a representative of the press and local residents, I was very pleased that you give an unreserved assurance that: (1) Chartford Homes would not go ahead with any demolition of the buildings and wall without planning permission and (2) that you would respect any and all tree preservation orders in place on the site.

I was very pleased that you and Mr Murray made these assurances which will come as a great relief to local residents and their representatives and I would simply ask you, could you please put these in writing to me also.

As you will be well aware, there have in recent years, been some high profile examples of when 'rogue' developers have illegally demolished premises, including late at night or early in the morning, choosing to flout planning law - and occasions where TPOs have been deliberately ignored and protected trees cut down and I am very pleased that Chartford Homes have made it clear that this will not happen on the Summercross site.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Greg Mulholland MP
Member of Parliament for Leeds North West

cc Jim Jack, Richard Leech, Jim Spencer, Iain Plumtree, Otley City Cllrs, Shirley Lewis, Ian Andrew