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Subject: College Fields Banbury - EIA scoping

Dear Brett

Your request to Defra London was passed around somewhat until it eventually arrived with us - the Defra team at the Government Office - just before Christmas. Because of this (and I apologise), it has only just emerged.

In answer to your request - on what topics we would want addressed in an EIA - the main ones from our Defra remit would be on Land use (primarily loss of good agricultural land - and if so whether alternative sites were considered), and impact on the viability and continued functioning of the farm businesses affected; also disruption during the construction period.

In our experience, these are fairly routine in the EIAs we are presented with, though the consideration of alternative sites is variable. I hope this helps

Yours sincerely

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