

27<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Madam Chairman and Committee Members

My name is Willie Fisher, co-owner with the applicant, my wife S D Fisher. We have operated a business park at Lynderswood Farm since the late 80's. From the 65 tenants just over 50% come from Braintree District Council, the balance of the tenants from Neighbouring Districts

The site has a specific employment designation in the Braintree District Council's Draft Local Plan. For a number of years we have maintained a high level of occupancy and currently 100% occupied.

There are potentially a large number of houses to be built in the district; many of the residents look for quality of life style and do not wish to commute too far. It is possible to take the bus, walk or cycle to Lynderswood from existing houses or those potentially to be built.

Lynderswood offers a sustainable development with the various size of flexible and internally adaptable units allowing a variety of different types of tenants to grow, adapt and develop their businesses long term.

I trust the committee have read the reply from D Gibson Planning Consultant regarding the points raised by Black Notley Parish Council. We do not believe the Parish council have visited the site since and disappointing that the extensive, thorough and robust supporting documents for this Planning Application do not appear to have found their way to the Parish Council in order to have informed their deliberations.

We are pro-active landlords building relationships with the tenants. We have an activate estate management team and endeavour to offer a presentable smooth running business park with emphasis towards conservation and environment.

Should the committee look favourably on the application, work is scheduled to commence in 2021. Quality local building contractors and local labour will also be used where possible, to further help the local community and economy. Both things that we care strongly about and fully appreciate how important they are, now more than ever, during these extremely challenging times.

Thank you

W Fisher