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Our ref: RHM/SCH/294j  
Your ref: 71/T/23

The Clerk,  
The West Wycombe Parish Council  
6 Willoughby's Walk  
Downley,  
HIGH WYCOMBE, Bucks.

23rd September, 1971

Dear Sir,

WEST WYCOMBE ESTATE  
Downley Common - Seat

Following our letter of September 17th we write to inform you that Sir Francis Dashwood will be happy to grant the Council a licence to erect a seat on the site outlined in your letter of September 13th.

Yours faithfully,

*Smith-Woolley and Co.*

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19th September, 1971

Smith-Woolley and Co,  
8 Oxford Street,  
Woodstock,  
Oxford.

Dear Sirs,

West Wycombe Estate  
Downley Common.

The Parish Council has asked me to write to you to ask if the Council could have your permission to erect a seat on Downley Common.

The position would be at the north end of the Common, at the side of the road, immediately opposite the bus stop sign at the bus terminus.

I look forward to hearing.

Yours faithfully,

*N. Davis*

Clerk.

DOWNLEY CRICKET CLUB.

Members of High Wycombe & District Cricket League.

President: H.W. BRISTOW, Esq.

19-6-71

Dear Sir,

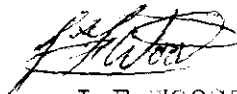
Cricket Pitch on Downley Common.

The members of the Downley Cricket Club Committee have asked me to write to your Council, and through your Council to the Wycombe Rural Council, to see what help, financial or physical, can be offered in preparing the Cricket Pitch on the North Side of the Common.

As you may be aware, we are having a highly successful season, and of course this has increased the interest in our clubs activities throughout the village, and we feel that this interest would be increased to enthusiasm if the Downley Cricket Club were playing in Downley proper, and not as at present in a separate village.

We look forward to your reply and trust that with the help of both Councils, we can achieve our aim.

Yours Faithfully



J.F. WOOSTER  
"LYNCH"  
LITTLEWORTH ROAD  
DOWNLEY.  
H.W. 33532.

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29th May, 1971

Sir Francis Dashwood, Bart.,  
West Wycombe Estate Office,  
West Wycombe,  
Bucks.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for meeting the Council recently to discuss problems relating to Downley Common.

At it's meeting last Thursday, the Council asked if you would be willing to meet the Council again, to discuss the field at the end of Gosling Grove which is allocated as a Public Open Space on the current Town Map. As you may already know, the Council is anxious to provide a recreation ground in Downley.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk.

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29th May, 1971

Smith-Woolley & Co,  
8 Oxford Street,  
Woodstock,  
Oxford.

Dear Sirs,

West Wycombe Estate  
Downley Common

It is noted that you have taken over the management of West Wycombe Estate for Sir Francis Dashwood.

In your reply of 17th May to my letter of 1st May, there appears to have been some slight misunderstanding. The Council was not in that letter with giving Sir Francis Dashwood permission to fell trees, but that the Council was informed that his forestry manager (Mr Bates) had given permission for five to be felled, but in fact eleven had been felled. Was he aware of this?

Further to this the Council says that it has seen 11 trees felled on the Common, 6 of which were perfectly good living trees, and the Council would like to know to what extent is tree felling to be permitted or continued on the common?

Also, the brushwood from the felled trees has just been left on the Common. The Council would be pleased if you would take steps to secure its removal.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk.

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Our Ref: 294 C.

Your Ref: 71/KZ/24

17th May 1971

T. Hayes, Esq.,  
Clerk to the West Wycombe Rural Parish Council,  
6, Milloughby's Walk,  
Downley,  
High Wycombe,  
Bucks.

Dear Sir,

West Wycombe Estate  
Downley Common.

Your letter of the 1st May addressed to the West Wycombe Estate Office has got passed to us for our attention.

You will probably have heard that with effect from the 1st April we have taken over the management of the West Wycombe Estate. Could you therefore please address any further letters to this Office. The point you raised was not mentioned to us by Mr. Long before his departure. We are not clear for instance why Sir Francis needs permission to cut down trees on Downley Common? Nevertheless next time we are down at West Wycombe we will investigate your complaint. Is there any correspondence about this matter which we should know about. Alternatively are there any other outstanding problems between you and the Parish Council about which we should have details.

We look forward to meeting you soon.

Yours faithfully,

OWIA/PH.

*Smith-Woolley & Co*

WEST WYCOMBE ESTATE OFFICE

WEST WYCOMBE, BUCKS.

*Agent:*

R. S. Long, F.R.I.C.S.

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High Wycombe 24411  
24412

RSL/KPC

30th March 1971

The Clerk,  
West Wycombe Rural Parish Council,  
6 Willoughby's Walk,  
Downley,  
High Wycombe,  
Bucks.


Your Ref: 71/E/14

Dear Sir,

Downley Common

In reply to your letter of 27th March, so far as I am aware no trench is being enlarged but we have no intention at present of filling in the trenches at the north side of the common and in cases where individuals have taken it upon themselves to fill in the trenches we have insisted on them being opened up again. If in the course of this operation there is some enlargement this is quite incidental and unintended.

Yours faithfully,



R. S. Long.

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27th March, 1971

Mr R.S. Long,  
Agent, West Wycombe Estate,  
West Wycombe Estate Office,  
West Wycombe,  
Bucks.

Dear Sir,

Downley Common

The Council is informed that the trench, just to the north of the place where the caravans were recently stationed, is being enlarged. The Council would be pleased to know who is responsible for this action and under whose authority.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk.

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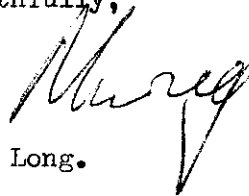
20th November 1967

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Dear Sir,

Further to my letter of 8th November I am informed that there is no reason why a barrier (open to pedestrians) should not be put along the edge of the road to keep vehicles off the Common, as there is no right at common law to take a car on to the Common. In the absence of a barrier, if people drive on to a Common up to 15 yds from the road, it is only a trespass against the owner of the Common, but if anybody drives a car more than 15 yds off the road on to the Common, he can be prosecuted under Section 18 of the Road Traffic Act 1960.

Yours faithfully,



R.S. Long.

R. Hayes Esq.,  
West Wycombe Rural Parish Council,  
6 Willoughby's Walk,  
Downley,  
High Wycombe,  
Bucks.

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WEST WYCOMBE ESTATE OFFICE,

WEST WYCOMBE, Bucks.

RSL/G/88

26th February, 1965

Messrs. Newitts (Contractors), Ltd.,  
New Road,  
Princes Risborough,  
AYLESBURY, Bucks.

Dear Sirs,

About three weeks ago, I had occasion to telephone you about your dumping of soil on Downley Common, when you told me that you were acting for Messrs. Mines & West.

I notice that the earth is still in irregular heaps just as it was dumped on the flat. I presume you intend to push this soil into the adjoining dell, and level it off neatly, but I should be glad to know when you propose to do this as I have been asked this question by the Parish Council.

If you have any difficulty, I may say that I am employing a case shovel on the Estate in about 10 days time and it could no doubt carry on to Downley Common and do this work on fairly reasonable terms if you would let me know in good time.

Yours faithfully,

R. S. Long

Copy: to West Wycombe  
Rural Parish Council.