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Dear Mr Berry

PLANNING APPLICATIONS 17/00441/FUL and 17/00442/FUL  
CEDAR LODGE, HEADLEY ROAD  
PROPOSED 2-BEDROOM BUNGALOW AND PROPOSED NEW STABLES

These two “simultaneous” applications are intended to respond to the refusal of the recent application (16/00404/FUL) to erect a bungalow on part of Cedar Lodge. It is apparently thought that by building 4 new loose boxes on the main site, it is possible to justify the removal of 16 boxes and the erection of the building of the bungalow on Green Belt land. We can see no such justification and believe the bungalow application should be refused on the same grounds as before.

The future of Cedar Lodge has been the subject of debate for many years and its future in equestrian terms has been said to be in doubt. In this context we are particularly impressed by the submission of Simon Dow. We strongly support any action to encourage the increase in the number of horses in Epsom and his objection to the loss of stables and racing facilities.

Regarding the loose boxes application it is difficult to object to new accommodation for the horses, but we strongly object to the use of this as an argument to support the development of the southern part of the site. The whole of the Cedar Lodge site should remain as a single equestrian unit.

I am writing a single letter as the applications are so linked but sending two copies for the two files.

Yours sincerely

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Vice Chairman

cc Ward Councillors