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Dear Kevin,

It is disappointing that you failed to respond to the Governing Body for over a month only to then request for us, in a letter dated 15th June 2017, to submit a written representation to be passed to members named on your paper. The Governors do not have a copy of this paper as Anne Pfeiffer confirmed to us in a meeting on Thursday 15th June 2017 that you had instructed her to withdraw this from us.

Two working days' notice is again an unrealistic timescale, especially considering the lengthy delays in your communications along with the commitments we have in the running of a school, e.g. Sports Days etc.; not to mention the fact that we do not have a paper to comment on. Therefore, the Governors have not had a chance to convene and consequently are unable to reasonably produce any meaningful written representation.

I have enclosed a copy of our letter dated 5th May 2017, which I would appreciate being distributed along with this response. This letter clearly sets out the conditions which the Academy's Governors require should this project be rejuvenated.

Distributing papers to Councillors on the day of such an important meeting, and expecting them to do due diligence and vote on such an important issue, is concerning. However, the Governors have seen Councillor Brimacombe's letter to Natasha Airey dated 15th June 2017 and trust that he has all the facts to support us during this evening's debate.

I am formally requesting that a Senior Officer meet with the school tomorrow to discuss the outcome and the implications that will clearly either lead to no expansion or a renegotiation process based upon the paper to be released tomorrow.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Dominique Du Pré
Chair of Governors

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