

Meeting note

Project name	London Resort
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Author	The Planning Inspectorate
Date	7 June 2022
Meeting with	Doug Hilton and Wellers Law Group
Venue	Microsoft Teams
Meeting	Update on costs applications
objectives	
Circulation	All attendees

Summary of key points discussed and advice given

The Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) advised that a note of the meeting would be taken and published on its website in accordance with section 51 of the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008). Any advice given under section 51 would not constitute legal advice upon which applicants (or others) could rely.

Standing of agents

The Inspectorate requested an explanation of the standing of Doug Hilton and Wellers Law Group LLP regarding the costs applications that had been submitted by both agents. Doug Hilton explained that he had made an application for costs for all parties within the Peninsular Management Group (PMG) to ensure their right to claim for costs incurred. He confirmed that Wellers Law Group would represent these parties for the remainder of the process.

Late applications

The Inspectorate requested an explanation for the late costs application of Mr John Palmer, and the plot references in the Book of Reference (BoR) that his claim related to. Doug Hilton stated that Mr Palmer was part of the PMG and Wellers Law Group LLP confirmed this would be received in writing by 21 June 2022.

Uncertain applications

Wellers Law Group LLP confirmed, and agreed to written confirmation by 21 June 2022, that:

- costs applications for two Interested Parties had been made in error;
- AGB Cars Limited and AGB Developments Dartford Limited were separate entities;
- Patricia Dole is part of the MGD group and that BoR plot references would be provided;
- Dorian Osmani acts under the DMJ group;

- BoR plot references for Madalina Bodolica and Andrei Botnaru would be provided; and
- BoR plot references for Seamonix Constructions Limited would be provided.

Any other business

Doug Hilton queried whether the grounds that London Resort Holdings Limited claimed they could avoid incurring costs to Interested Parties were valid. The Inspectorate confirmed that those making costs applications should set out their arguments for why they believe costs should be awarded, and it would be for the Examining Authority to make a decision based on the evidence before them.