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Dear Jenny,

further to my submission re the issues associated with funding for the relevant local councils made 27th November via the 'Have your say@ portal, please find attached a response from the Darlington Borough Council to the enquiry and the issues raised.

I would encourage the ExA to look at the issues raised.

Kind regards

Colin

Colin Taylor

Chairman Great Stainton Parish Meeting

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Not a problem Colin

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From: Colin <[REDACTED]@btinternet.com>
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To: Dave Coates <[REDACTED]@darlington.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Byers Gill Enquiry

Dear David,

Thank you for your email confirming the implications re finance if the ByersGill development is given government

approval.

Would you consent to me sharing your response with the ExA?

Kind regards

Colin

On 3 Dec 2024, at 12:44, Dave Coates [REDACTED]@darlington.gov.uk> wrote:

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Hello Colin,

Thank you for your Email dated 27th November 2024 relating to the ongoing decision-making process by the Government. I note you have also copied in The Government Inspector.

Thank you for raising the legitimate concerns relating to potential additional financial burdens upon the Local Authority relating to ongoing matters such as maintenance of footpaths and other infrastructure should the Government decide to grant the application before them.

You will appreciate that the Council, like many Authorities is facing significant financial pressures to provide satisfactory services to its residents. This is normally addressed particularly in Darlington by encouraging a vibrant local economy which includes the encouragement of development, both business and residential, to meet local needs. The impact of such developments would ordinarily be addressed in part by the receipt of Business rates and Council Tax.

You are correct in this instance the development should the Government allow it; would result in a situation where an additional financial burden would be placed upon the Local Authority for the maintenance of surrounding infrastructure. This is brought into further focus as any business rates generated by it would be payable to an adjacent Authority where the connection would be made.

It is important therefore that this is considered by the Inspectors in their deliberations.

Kind Regards

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