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Dear Sirs,

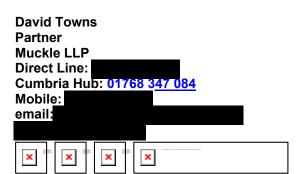
Your letter dated 11 August 2023 and addressed to various parties, including the Public Trustee, has been passed to us by the Public Trustee, for whom we act in this matter.

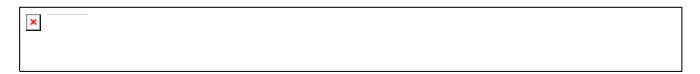
Your letter requests a update on this matter from our client. On behalf of the Public Trustee, we can confirm that her position remains the same in that she does not believe the land is Crown Land for the purposes of the applicable Acts nor does she believe she is a Crown Authority for the provision of any consents in -respect of the same. More generally, terms for the transfer of plot 07-02-45 have been agreed and a draft transfer deed agreed between us and the lawyers acting for National Highways. The Public Trustee has also followed the applicable statutory procedure and has issued proceedings in the Darlington County Court, seeking an Order consenting to the completion of the agreed form of transfer (and therefore completion of the transfer of plot 07-02-45 to National Highways Limited).

We have, last week, received confirmation from Darlington County Court that they have listed a hearing on 6 September 2023, at which we will be asking for the Order of consent to the proposed transfer. Assuming that Order is made (there are no objections or other representations to the contrary, of which we are currently aware) then we believe both the Public Trustee and National Highways will seek to complete the transfer of plot 07-02-45 as soon as possible.

We trust the above is sufficient, but please let us know if you require any further information or clarification.

Yours faithfully, **Muckle LLP**





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