

Eastleigh Borough Council
Development Management
Upper Market Street
Eastleigh
SO50 9YN

Dear sir/madam,

I write on behalf of Eastleigh Borough Council as landowner, in respect of the application for **Retention of replacement gabion supporting wall reference (H/26/101265), Land at Glen Lea Church Hill, Eastleigh.**

Eastleigh Borough Council object to the application on the following grounds:

- The gabion supporting wall is erected on land owned by Eastleigh Borough, Title Number **HP672190** ('Council Land'), without our express permission or consent. The Council recognises these works as an unauthorised encroachment.
- The applicant is aware of the ownership and has failed to respond to a letter before action to remove the structures.
- The unauthorised ground excavation works for the gabion wall have been undertaken without professional engineering oversight, thereby **compromising the known stability and integrity of the Councils land** and creating unforeseen risks. These engineering works are also unauthorised.
- The works have taken place adjacent to **WB36: Lowland mixed deciduous woodland (0230:2342993)**, which is identified as a priority woodland habitat.
- The unauthorised works extend to several other matters, all of which are without the Councils Consent or permission.

We require the applicant make good all damage to the Council's Land and restore the Council Land to its previous condition by taking all steps which shall include but not limited to:

- removing the gabion baskets;
- backfilling using high-quality soil and all necessary compacting and regrading to restore the stability of the Council Land to its original state and topography with such works being overseen and approved by a suitably qualified engineer (whose appointment should be approved in advance by the Council) and all materials used to have tracked sources.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Ali Mew
Head of Property
Eastleigh Borough Council.