

**Morris, John**

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**From:** Mark Myles <mm@mbmplanning.co.uk>  
**Sent:** 07 October 2015 12:10  
**To:** Morris, John  
**Subject:** RE: Planning Review - P/15/0353/PPP Erection of Dwellinghouse on Land To The South Of Donaldsons Lodge, Linlithgow

Dear Mr Morris

Thank you for your recent letter and also the attached further responses received to the above Notice of Review. In response to these submissions we would offer the following comments.

The response from Historic Scotland does not raise any issues with regards to the site being located on the western boundary of the site of the Battle of Linlithgow Bridge as they actually point out that the proposal would be a minor extension of the currently developed housing area. If the Review Committee deem it to be necessary then a standard archaeological investigation condition could be attached to any approval.

The response from SNH offers no particular comment as it does not meet with their criteria for consultation.

In terms of the further response from the objector, we note that her concerns continue to relate to road safety issues and not the general principle of the development.

In general we would comment that the safety level of the minor access road that this objector shares with the 3 other properties at Manuel Coach House, Braehead Cottage and Manuel Stables is not a relevant planning consideration for this current proposal that is before the Planning Review Committee.

The proposed entrance to the development site is also not "a piecemeal hole in the hedge" as is claimed by the objector, but an existing entrance to the site that was once the entrance to the old estate saw mill.

The applicant would have no objection to improving the access to the B825 so long as it did not require the removal or relocation of the Eastern pillar of the Manuel House gateway. There is also a steep bank from the access drive to the level of the B825 that would require considerable infill and expense. However it should also be pointed out that the objectors proposed integrated access solution (as shown in their original objection) would still be located closer to the East gate pier of Manuel House than the proposed access for this single house proposal that is currently before the Planning Review Committee.

Finally at no time has the applicant refused to cut the hedge but had given the objector permission to have it cut back as the Walker family had done in the past. However the objector decided to take the problem to the council who requested that it be cut back and lowered in height. The applicant has done this to the council's requirements. The future management of the hedge could be controlled by condition or alternatively the Planning Review Committee could insist that the hedge is removed if they are minded to approve the development.

I look forward to hearing from you to confirm when this case will be heard by the Planning Review Committee.

Kind regards

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Hi Mr Myles,

Please find attached documents in relation to the above review. You have 14 days to respond to the comments made by consultees and other contributors. The contents are self-explanatory, but please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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The link below is for the Development Management Survey which we would be grateful if you would complete and submit.

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/dev\\_management](https://www.surveymonkey.com/dev_management)

For information, the undernoted is the direct link to the Scottish Government eplanning website

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