

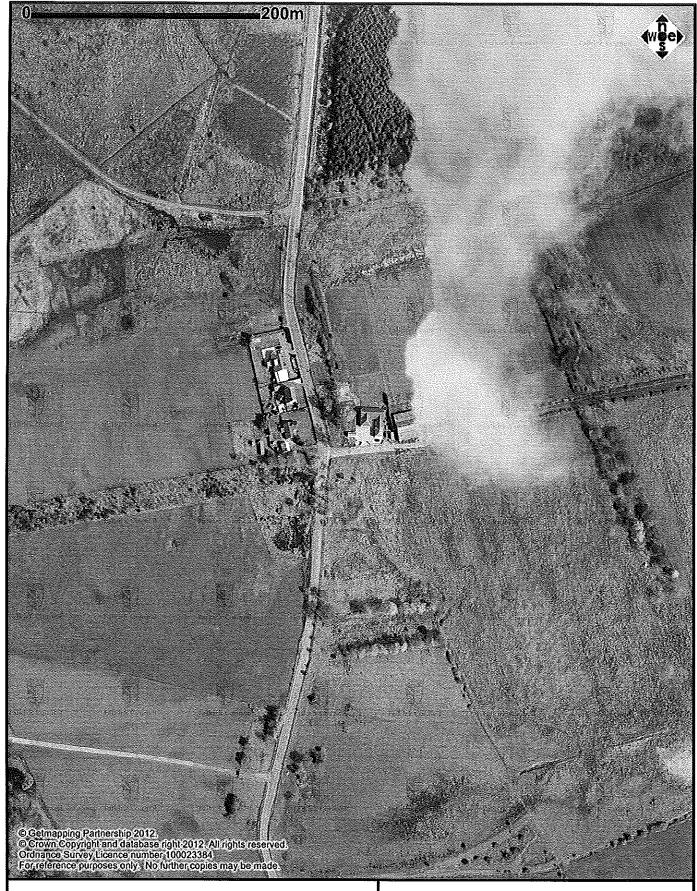
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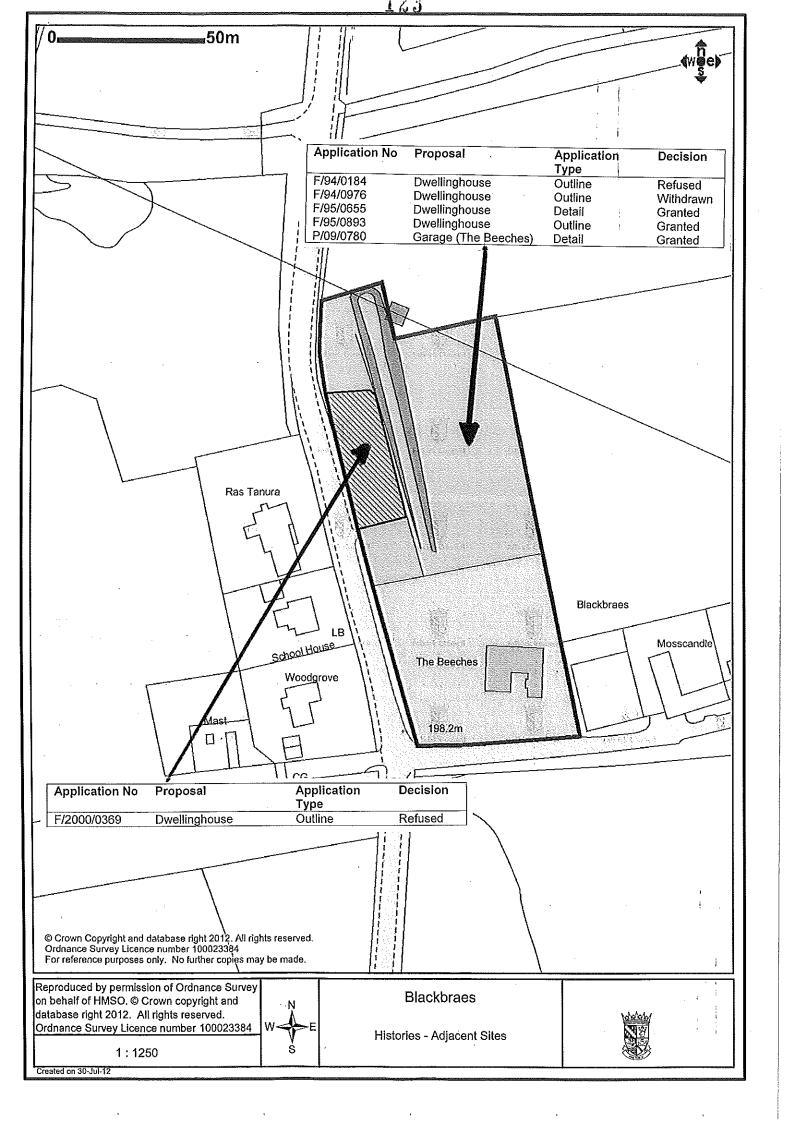
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Ms S Barton Chief Executive Office Falkirk Council Municipal Buildings Falkirk FK1 5RS

23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2012

Dear Ms Barton

## <u>Proposed new house at Blackbraes, California</u> <u>Planning Ref P/11/0706</u>

Further to our recent correspondence, I attach our response to the information supplied by Falkirk Council Development Management.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Colin Hardie

## PROPOSED NEW HOUSE AT BLACKBRAES, CALIFORNIA

## RESPONSE TO COMMENTS BY FALKIRK COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

Having read through Mr Whittle's observations, there are a number of areas where full extent of the site history has been distorted or not fully disclosed.

- 1. The Council's response presents the argument that there have never been buildings on the application site. We have never stated otherwise, in fact in our supporting statement clearly shows that it was previously a yard associated to an adjacent workshop. The building shown on the 1955 map, designated a 'hall' was purchased by John Robertson Builders and used as workshop from 1965 to 1972. The recently removed transmitter buildings were erected in 1972 and the present house replaced the workshop in 1976.
- 2. It is also clear from the information supplied, that the access road into the site has existed as the main access to Craigmad Farm since the 1904-1939 map, and remained so until the 1970s.
- 3. In listing the prior applications in the vicinity, reference is made to a refused application (reference no. F/2000/0369), but no information is provided on the 3 proposals which have been granted. This is wholly unrepresentative of the facts.

F/93/0095 Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse and farm

buildings to form 2 dwellinghouses

F/95/0655 Erection of a house

F/95/0893 Erection of a house in outline

In addition, there are also various refusals from 1993 and 1994, relating to adjacent sites.

All the <u>approved</u> sites are accessed from the B8028 directly opposite our site entrance. Furthermore, they were approved at a time when the speed limit was 60mph at the site entrance, now reduced to 40mph.

Hardie Associates Ltd 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug 2012