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Dear Mr Glenn

**Application for the consent of the Secretary of State for Education to a disposal of playing field land under Schedule 1 of the Academies Act 2010 and Section 77 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998**

**The Grove (closed site), Darwell Close, St Leonards on Sea, East Sussex, TN38 9JP**

Thank you for your application seeking consent to dispose of playing field land at the closed site of The Grove, Darwell Close, St Leonards on Sea, East Sussex, TN38 9JP which comprises the whole of registered title number ESX32593. The land concerned is 92,612m<sup>2</sup> and is shown edged red on the plan at Annex A to this letter.

The disposal is by way of a freehold transfer.

The seller is East Sussex County Council ; the purchaser is to be determined through open marketing for 2 months; the price is to be determined through open marketing; and the sale is not subject to overage.

This letter confirms that the Secretary of State has given consent to the disposal and to the registration of the transfer at The Land Registry and does not intend to make a direction in relation to the land.

Consent has been given on the following conditions:

- a) the capital receipt will be reinvested in the following project: Construction of a new 2FE primary school to meet Basic Need in Hailsham

- b) **the council confirms acceptance of this condition and confirms it will comply with it by returning an acknowledgement in the form of the letter at Annex B on behalf of the council.**

This consent does not provide or imply any additional funding.

The council remains responsible for managing any safeguarding issues which arise.

Yours sincerely



**Oliver Williams**

Signed in my capacity as G6 official acting for and on behalf of The Department for Education  
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**Annex A – plan showing the land to be disposed of by freehold transfer at the closed site of The Grove, Darwell Close, St Leonards-on-Sea, East Sussex, TN38 9JP edged red**



**Annex B – form of acknowledgement letter**

***[to be printed on applicant's letterhead]***

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Dear Sirs

**Acceptance of conditions of the consent of the Secretary of State for Education to a disposal of playing field land under Section 77 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998**

**LT-2442: the closed site of The Grove, Darwell Close, St Leonards on Sea, East Sussex, TN38 9JP**

I confirm the council's acceptance of the conditions of consent set out in the Department's letter dated 1 December 2020, a copy of which is attached to this letter, and confirm that the council will comply with those conditions.

Yours faithfully

[Chief Executive/Section 151 Office/Monitoring Office/Director of Children's Services]