

Planning and Development Consultants

Robert Smart, Correspondence Secretary Murrayfield Community Council 7 Roseburn Cliff Edinburgh EH12 6AL

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Dear Mr Smart,

PROPOSAL OF APPLICATION NOTICE (PAN): PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT MURRAYFIELD ICE RINK

On behalf of our client, Murrayfield 2020 Ltd, RFA is pleased to enclose a Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) for a Planning Permission in Principle application for residential / mixed used development at Murrayfield, Edinburgh, EH12 5XN. This gives the Community Council notice of the intent to submit an application for planning permission in principle to the City of Edinburgh Council.

It also initiates a process of consultation with the Murrayfield Community Council and other stakeholders on the proposals.

A precise planning description of the proposed development is yet to be agreed with the City of Edinburgh Council. The scope and content of the proposals may be subject to amendment during the course of the consultation and subsequent application process, during which the community stakeholders will have the opportunity to make formal representations.

The proposal constitutes 'major' development, as defined by the planning system, and therefore requires consultation and engagement with the Community Council and others before being submitted as a formal application. We hope that the Community Council can assist in informing the proposals as they develop over time and fully participate in the emerging plan with the SRU and other neighbours in the location.

The extent of the site is identified within the enclosed red line plan. We also propose to shortly issue CEC with a Screening Request, in line with the EIA regulations.

RFA is therefore writing to formally invite you to the pre-application consultation exhibition event. This has been organised to engage and consult with the community and key stakeholders in advance of plans being firmed up and an application being made to the City of Edinburgh Council.

The exhibition will be manned by consultants acting on behalf of the applicant. RFA will be in attendance to provide briefings, address any issues emerging and answer questions from interested parties. A record of all comments made will be included in a Pre-Application Consultation Report, submitted with any subsequent planning application.

It is intended that the event will take place at a local venue towards the end of 2016. You will be consulted regarding specific date(s) and venue(s), as we would welcome your opinion on this in due course. In accordance with the relevant Regulations a public notice advertising the public exhibition event will be published in the Edinburgh Evening News at least 7 days prior to the exhibition.

We look forward to seeing you at the public exhibition and receiving your comments and support for a high quality development in this iconic and accessible location. Please advise us if you require a more in depth briefing covering the need for this development and highlighting the social, economic and environmental benefits of the proposals.

Should you have any queries in the interim please do not hesitate to contact Kieran Shafiq in this office on 0131 226 6166 or on email: <u>kieran@rickfincassociates.com</u>

Yours sincerely

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