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Dear Lisa and Andrew,

Here are my responses to your questions raised today, regarding the Barn on Lawrence's Brow.

- Attached Block plan with colours indicating land leased and the decking also now included in red.
- The off-the-shelf timber lap shed (8ft x 6ft) has an elevation of 1900
- the "Season" I am talking about is generally the growing season of vegetables. I set all of my seeds in Mid February and most harvesting is usually finished by October.
- The name of the business is mine. Toby Tobin-Dougan, and has been established for 27 years. Its purpose is the growing of Organic Vegetables and fruits and associated food produce.
- The business has a full history of supplying the Seven Stones pub, on St Martins, prior to myself owning it, and also under my ownership. It has in the past also comprehensively supplied St Martins bakery, which I founded and owned for 15 years, with organic fruit and vegetables. This supply runs to many thousands of pounds of produce, over 27 years of trading. Recently it has supplied Karma St Martins with seasonal Organic produce, where I have also been working as a chef. It continues to supply the occupants of holiday accommodations, by pre-order, and the seasonal occupants of the campsite here on St Martins, and has a frenetic, fully stocked roadside stall, patronised by many.
- I confirm the application is for a retrospective change of use, for seasonal agricultural workers accommodation, including the erection of a wc/solar shower block and connected decking, for use by those in occupation of the barn.
- the barn is not disused, it has been used by myself for 27 years, its repair and renovation necessitated by a total roof collapse.
- I have previously employed two part time employees, during each growing season, this will inevitably increase given my intention to further develop the currently under-utilised fields on my tenancy, as previously stated, and demonstrated.
- There is an acute need for staff accommodation here on St Martins, with the majority of accommodation taken up as holiday accommodation.
- It will be problematic, almost impossible, to attract any new staff to join this Organic growing business without the provision of accommodation, which is lacking on the Island.
- Without dedicated accommodation, the business will suffer and be prevented from expanding. This could seriously threaten the viability of this business.
- My new agricultural business is about to embark on a new local product trial. Staffing levels and production outcomes for that new venture can only be assessed on the basis of that trial, and the market response to that trial, although they will be related and overlapping businesses, at this stage, both businesses should be treated separately,

**Please could you both confirm receipt of this, and indicate any omissions, or points needing clarification.**

Toby