## **Agriculture and Rural Economy Directorate**

Community Land Team

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Our ref: SD00003

26 October 2023

Dear Mr Johnson,

Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (the Act) – Part 5 Right to Buy Land to Further Sustainable Development Request for owner's views on the application. Prohibited dealings during restriction period.

The Scottish Ministers have received an application from North Queensferry Community Trust in respect of the Albert Hotel, Main Street, North Queensferry, Inverkeithing KY11 1JG. In terms of the application process they are required to send a copy of that application to you as the owner. You should now be in receipt of that application. If not, please contact us as soon as possible at the email above.

You are now invited to send to the Scottish Ministers, so as to be received not later than 63 days (27 December 2023 due to the public holidays) after the sending of this invitation, views in writing on the application.

You are also invited to supply information on:

- (a) Your views on the likely impact on the owner or tenant of the proposals for the land or tenant's interest, including on the current use of the land or tenant's interest (and any intended use),
- (b) Whether you consider that the proposals for the land or tenant's interest satisfy the sustainable development conditions set out in section 56(2) and, if not, your reasons,







- (c) Any rights or interests in the land of which you are aware that are not mentioned in the application, and
- (d) Any other matter that you consider relevant to the application.
- (e) Finally, you may wish to supply information on any engagement you have had with the community, in particular in terms of the 'Guidance on engaging communities in decisions relating to land' (to read this guidance go to <a href="www.gov.scot">www.gov.scot</a> and search 'guidance on engaging communities'). As set out in section 56(4) of the Act, Scottish Ministers may take this into account when considering the application.

A copy of this invitation will be sent to North Queensferry Community Trust, in terms of section 55(1)(c) of the Act.

Please send your response by email to <a href="mailto:crtb@gov.scot">crtb@gov.scot</a>

Any views supplied to Scottish Ministers will be forwarded to North Queensferry Community Trust for their response.

Yours faithfully,

Vicky Reynolds
On behalf of Scottish Ministers

