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Dr Maria de la Torre



By Email

23 December 2021

Dear Maria

**KNOCKNAGAE L TD.
ASSET TRANSFER UNDER THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT ACT**

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of your asset transfer request in relation to the 8.28 hectare field, known as the Smiddy Field, which is currently part of the Scottish Government Bull Stud at Knocknagael Farm, Inverness.

I confirm that the request is made in accordance with the legislation and all required information has been provided. The validation date for this asset transfer request is 23 December 2021.

I confirm that no other asset transfer request has been received in relation to the land to which your request relates and the land has not been advertised for sale, nor has the Scottish Ministers entered negotiations or initiated proceedings with a view to transferring or leasing that land. We therefore consider that the Scottish Ministers is prohibited by section 84(2) of the Act from selling, leasing or otherwise disposing of the land described above other than to Knocknagael Ltd. until your request is concluded.

Notice of this asset transfer request will be published online at www.gov.scot/publications/community-asset-transfer-request-from-knocknagael-ltd/ and sent to any tenants or occupiers of the land or building. Any representations made to the Scottish Ministers about this request will be copied to you, and you will have at least 20 working days to comment on them.

The request will be considered by analysing all the submitted information. We will give you notice of our decision whether to agree to or refuse your request, and our reasons for that decision, by 23 June 2022.

If you do not receive a decision by that date, you may appeal to the Scottish Ministers. You may also appeal if your request is refused, or if the request is agreed but the decision notice specifies material terms or conditions which differ to a significant extent from those specified



in the request. Guidance on making an appeal is available at www.gov.scot/publications/asset-transfer-under-community-empowerment-scotland-act-2015-guidance-community-9781786527509/pages/17/

A notice of appeal should be sent to

Community Land Team
D Spur
Saughton House
Broomhouse Drive
Edinburgh
EH11 3XD

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If you have any questions about the asset transfer process please contact me at

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Yours sincerely

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Niall McPherson
Principal Agricultural Officer