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By email only

Dear Ms Steer

Land North of St Andrews Road, Fremington

I write to introduce Vistry Group and to set out our interest in engaging with the Parish Council. Vistry Group is working closely with the owners of land North of St Andrews Road, Fremington to consider the opportunity for the development of the land as an extension to the settlement, adjacent to the former Barracks site. We have recently submitted a pre-application enquiry to North Devon Council ahead of formal engagement with the community and other stakeholders which will help shape the proposals.

Vistry Group has a strong track record in working with local groups, housing associations and local authorities to deliver new housing developments that provide affordable housing and new supporting infrastructure. We are aware that the Parish is also engaging in a Neighbourhood Planning process and we would like the opportunity to present our emerging thoughts about the potential development of the site. We will also be seeking to present to the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group separately.

I attach a site plan so that you can identify our land interest. We envisage housing development coming forward on the southern field only, with the character of the northern field remaining open, and providing a green infrastructure resource for the community, including a potential link onto the Tarka Trail. Given the current restrictions on meetings, we would be pleased to provide an introductory presentation via video-call if this can be accommodated by the Council. To ensure that the wider community, as well as near neighbours, have an opportunity to review the proposals, we intend to launch a pre-application consultation website during March and will publicise this locally in advance, encouraging local feedback.

I would be grateful if you could share this letter with Councillors and I look forward to receiving your response, so that we can look to confirm a date for the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Milden
Strategic Planning Director

Cc: Victoria Woodhouse, Executive Officer, Fremington Parish Council

