

**From:** [Eleanor Anstruther](#)  
**To:** [MWCD Environment/ENV/SCC](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Ashley Ward & Hascombe Estate - his letter to you of 14/9/2020 Ref: WA/2019/0796  
**Date:** 24 November 2020 09:54:16

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To whom it may concern,

Following on from the email thread below, I attach a copy of the letter I also sent to David Maxwell concerning the incorrect claims in the applicant's papers.

I also strongly object to this planning application in this physical and factual content.

**Email sent to David Maxwell 11.11.20:**

*Dear David,*

*Further to my brother's email to you below, I stand by his experience of working with Ashley Ward by echoing the like of my own. Ashley's farming practice during his tenancy of my land left the pasture so depleted that I have had to set it aside to recover; soil, wildlife, grass and flower species, all suffered at his hands. On top of this, his roughshod approach to the community here in the park, meant I was regularly having to deal with neighbours upset by his lack of respect for their needs to be communicated with clearly, and a spike in bills due to our shared access roads being continually damaged. The end of his tenancy was also marred in bad feeling, things not cleared up and attempts by him to charge me for things he hadn't done.*

*As a result of this and his wider treatment of the community he is no longer welcome on my land, and neither do I trust him enough to work with him on anything again. Likewise as my brother states, I would strongly advise the Council against trusting any commitments Ashley makes in relation to Planning or other matters at High Loxley.*

*At your disposal should you wish to discuss this further,  
Best wishes  
Eleanor*

Eleanor Anstruther  
Lodge Farm  
Park Hatch Estate

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Toby Anstruther <[toby@mwcd.surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:toby@mwcd.surreycc.gov.uk)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Ashley Ward & Hascombe Estate - his letter to you of 14/9/2020 Ref: WA/2019/0796  
**Date:** 23 November 2020 at 15:38:08 GMT  
**To:** "[mwcd@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:mwcd@surreycc.gov.uk)" <[mwcd@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:mwcd@surreycc.gov.uk)>

To whom it may concern.

I understand that the email below (originally sent 11/11/2020) is not yet shown as a registered objection to the above planning application.

The email was intended to set out to correct an incorrect claim in the applicant's papers.

As a matter of fact I also wish to object to this planning application as being in appropriate in this physical and factual context.

Thank you

Toby

Toby Anstruther  
Hascombe Estate

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Toby Anstruther  
[REDACTED] m>  
**Subject:** Re: Ashley Ward &  
Hascombe Estate - his letter to  
you of 14/9/2020  
**Date:** 8 November 2020 at  
14:58:00 GMT  
**To:**  
[david.maxwell@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:david.maxwell@surreycc.gov.uk)  
**Cc:** Andrew Kinnear  
<[REDACTED]>,  
Eleanor Anstruther  
<[REDACTED]>

Dear David,

I have been forwarded a copy of Ashley Ward's (Farmers Direct) letter to you of 14th September, 2020. In it he speaks up the quality of his work when farming on the Hascombe Estate. I strongly disagree with this record of his farming on the Hascombe Estate.

I am the owner of the Hascombe Estate - and I copy my sister, Eleanor Anstruther, who lives at Lodge Farm and owns the land of what was the Park Hatch estate, opposite the proposed Loxley Well site.

Ashley was a farming tenant of mine on the Hascombe Estate for many years - he suggests 14 years and this is probably correct; I don't have the exact date of the start of his tenancies. Over that time his style of farming has been extremely commercial and extractive; he has extracted the maximum from the soil and left it in poor heart. My last correspondence with him concerned the need for him to clear up the considerable quantity of big-bale-silage wrapping plastic from the estate. He declined to do this or to pay for the cost of the clear-up. Since then he has fenced over a right-of-access which I have over his land at High Loxley.

In my own experience of doing business with Ashley Ward he has little or no concern for anything which is not of benefit to him and I do not trust him enough to work with him again on anything.

I would strongly advise the Council against trusting any commitments Ashley makes in relation to Planning or other

matters on his land at High Loxley.

I regret that I feel I should spell this this out so clearly; but I object strongly to his suggestion that his own record on the Hascombe Estate is a good one; it is not.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss anything in this email. Please let me know if I need to copy this email to anyone else to get it on the record in relation to the oil well (or other) pending planning applications on High Loxley.

Yours, with kind regards

Toby

Toby Anstruther  
Hascombe Estate