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To: Paula Jones

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Dear Mrs Jones,

Further to my email dated 13th January 2021.

I would be grateful if you could provide me with at least some of the information I asked you for in that email namely the information you promised me in your email dated 25th November 2020 in relation to the name of the 'reputable heritage consultant'.

I realise the rest of the information I requested in the enclosed email will take some time to collate but I would be grateful if you would bear in mind the acceptable response times is 14 working days from the date of the original email - that time frame has expired where the heritage consultant is concerned hence this email.

I look forward to receiving the information in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Paul
Honorary Historian For
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Sent: 13 January 2021 22:56

To: Paula Jones <Paula.Jones@conwy.gov.uk>

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Dear Mrs Jones,

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Dear Mrs Jones,

Thank you for your email.

The information you have provided me with raises more questions which I would appreciate your explanations to with the relevant research having been carried out into the Council records relating to Kinmel Hall.

The points raised are these: -

1) In your last email dated 25th November 2020 you assured me that once the 'reputable heritage consultant' had been appointed you would inform me as to who it was. I am still waiting for this information to be provided to me.

2) You state that you are still waiting for a response from Mrs Erkman with respect of the lack of security around the Stable Block. It is nearly two months since you made her aware of this problem and I feel that it should be followed up sooner rather than later. Apart from the fact that the Stable Block pre dates the Hall and is in a far worse state of repair than the Hall - as the written report that was submitted 6 years ago by Hare and Humphries clearly shows - it is also the fact that the Erkman's total lack of knowledge relating to or interest in the Hall - as the current state of the building and grounds proves - they are totally unaware of the fact that the Stable Block is an integral part of the Hall - a fact proved by their 'security guard's' statement that the Stable Block 'does not matter' May I also remind you that since April 2019 Kinmel's water supply has been in bottled form - as can be seen in the enclosed image - because the 'conscientious' owners of the Hall refuse to pay to have the mains supply repaired and reinstated.

3) 'I'm sure that the survey will identify the presence of asbestos'. It is my understanding that the 'deliberate damage' to the Hall that the Council is requesting the owners take 'urgent action' over is to do with the Hall and not the out buildings. Therefore such an assumption is not acceptable because the work that needs doing is to secure the 19th Century Building and not the 1936 Sports Hall which is where the immediate Asbestos problem exists. That is unless the suspended Ceilings in the majority of the bedrooms have also collapsed as a direct result of the negligent attitude of the Owners to their 'prized possession'.

I am alarmed to read that your colleagues in Environmental Helath have taken from the 13th October 2013 to today to NOT take urgent action with regards to the Sports Hall especially when the Asbestos problem was raised repeatedly by both Peter Jones Hughes and Huw Davies to their superiors in the Council during that time period. It is not as though it was news to them when I contacted them last year because of the failure of the Council to do anything for 7 years.

With regards to your comment about the owners taking 'positive steps' they were given specific instructions by Amanda Venables and Peter Jones - Hughes as to what positive steps they must take to make the Hall secure following the spate of breakins that occurred in 2013 namely 'steel or perspex shutters to all ground floor windows of the Hall'. Their response - plywood panels screwed into the original window frames and then bolted through the original Oak Shutters inside - without listed planning consent.

These 'positive steps' are sticking plaster to a problem the size of the German Dams after the visit of 617 Squadron.

I look forward to your detailed response with submissions from all the relevant departments and not phone calls as you instructed Environmental Helath to do today.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Hughes
Honorary Historian for
Kinnel Hall