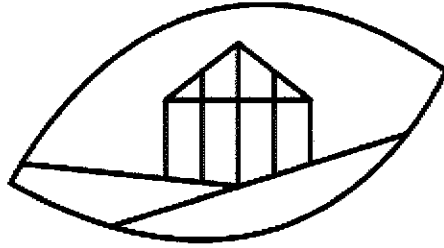


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**To: Councillors and Senior Officers at WSCC and ADC
MPs Nick Gibb, Gillian Keegan and Andrew Griffith
Directors at Grundon/Viridor,**

RE: GRUNDON / VIRIDOR, ENERGY RECOVERY FACILITY (ERF), FORD

Further to our introduction by the West Sussex Grower's Association (WSGA), this letter sets out our interest in the above proposed development.

The Green House Sussex Ltd is based in Barnham, West Sussex. We are a horticultural business which currently operates 10ha glasshouses, growing predominantly tomatoes with a retail value of approximately £9M. We anticipate expanding our UK operations by approximately 50 % over the next 5-10 years.

It is fundamental to our operational strategy that we transition fully to low-carbon heat and power sources in due course. Direct, local sources of low carbon energy are the most efficient model.

Our group is currently involved in the 16ha low carbon greenhouse site in Norwich which is using heat via heat pumps from the nearby waste water treatment plant. We are also investing in a 22ha site in Ely using the same principle but this time using reservoir water.

The proposed ERF at Ford could offer us both the land and direct source of low-carbon heat and power we require for the future horticultural development.

We would be very pleased to meet the key stakeholders of this project to discuss the possibilities of an operational partnership further.

Yours sincerely,



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