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Mr Chris Elliot Chief Executive Warwick District Council Riverside House Milverton Hill Leamington Spa CV32 5HZ WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Dear Chris

Kenilworth Mere Project

As discussed when we met at Kenilworth Castle on 11 May, English Heritage remains supportive of the production of a feasibility study, to see if re-flooding the Mere is possible in engineering terms, economically viable, and, finally, if it can be achieved without adverse impact on historic fabric and significance.

We also discussed whether it would be desirable to have two EH representatives at the project team/steering group meetings, one representing our property management and commercial interests (ie. as guardians of Kenilworth Castle, and its operation as a visitor attraction), and one from our National Planning department who would be interested in issues around the impact on setting, historic significance, the consents process, and so on. I would prefer to go down that road, so if you're in agreement, our representatives would be Alex Page (Historic Properties Director – West territory) and Nick Molyneux (Historic Buildings Inspector/Team Leader, West Midlands).

Yours sincerely

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