
IN RESPONSE TO AN ANONYMOUS COMPLAINT

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1 OLD SCHOOL COTTAGES BERDEN
IN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT REGARDING THE KEEPING OF PIGS AT THE ABOVE PROPERTY.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

WE FEEL THAT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN FAR MORE NEIGHBOURLY OF THE PERSON WHO PUT IN A COMPLAINT TO THE COUNCIL, TO HAVE APPROACHED US AND AIRED ANY CONCERNS THEY MAY HAVE HAD FACE TO FACE. HOWEVER AS IT SEEMS THAT THE SAID PERSON FELT IT NECESSARY TO APPROACH THE COUNCIL WITHOUT DOING THAT, AND PREFERS TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS, WE FEEL IT NECESSARY TO ISSUE THIS RESPONSE.

HAVING SPOKEN AT LENGTH TO THE ANIMAL WARDEN AT THE COUNCIL, WE ARE PLEASED TO SAY THAT WE ARE PERFECTLY WITHIN OUR RIGHTS TO KEEP PIGS, AS WE HAVE DONE SO FOR 2 YEARS. WE HOLD ALL THE APPROPRIATE LICENCES TO DO SO, AND ARE REGISTERED WITH DEFRA . (DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS).

HAD THE COMPLAINEE SHOWN US THE RESPECT TO APPROACH US FIRST BEFORE THE COUNCIL, THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN WELCOME TO VISIT OUR PIGS AND SEE FOR THEMSELVES. THEY ARE KEPT SOLEY AS PETS TO TEACH OUR CHILDREN TO BE RESPONSIBLE AND RESPECTFUL TO ANIMALS, AND TO HELP US TO BE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY. ALL OUR FOOD WASTE IS DISPOSED OF THROUGH THE PIGS (EXCLUDING MEAT AND DAIRY) AND THEIR MANURE IS USED ON OUR GARDEN.

WE WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THIS ATTITUDE SHOULD BE APPLAUDED, AS OPPOSED TO CRITICISED, HOWEVER IT SEEMS YOU CAN'T PLEASE EVERYONE.

WE HOPE THIS BRINGS THIS MATTER TO A CLOSE FOR WHOEVER FELT IT NECESSARY TO COMPLAIN.

THANK YOU

EMMA & LUKE SWEETLAND & FAMILY.

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