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Dear Constituency Committee Members

HOYLAKE GOLF RESORT- QUESTIONS RAISED AT CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS

Thank you for forwarding the constituent questions relating to the Hoylake Golf Resort. As you are aware many questions can only be answered once the Council is in receipt of the technical surveys and studies to be undertaken by the Nicklaus Joint Venture Group (NJVG) as part of the planning process. There will be further consultation with residents upon completion of the studies and prior to the submission of a planning application by the Developer. This will then be followed by the period of statutory consultation during the planning process.

The NJVG will also be providing a detailed economic assessment in support of the resort development that will highlight why this is an important economic project for Wirral and the many benefits it will bring to the locality should planning permission be granted.

For clarification it is also important to state that the Cabinet decision taken to move to the next stage of the project viewed the proposed future loan of £26 million to the project as a commercial investment from which the Council will receive a financial return that can be re-invested back into local service provision. It is not a sum of Council money that could in theory be re-directed to another location such as New Ferry. The Council are following a separate strategy for New Ferry which is making progress.

The references to the Wirral Waters development and the work of the Wirral Growth Company implies that the Council is prioritising the Hoylake Golf Resort project over the work on other development sites. This is not the case. The Council is deploying a growth strategy on a number of fronts where opportunities have been identified and can be delivered concurrently with the Golf Resort project.

In the meantime for people requiring clarification or further information many answers can be found in the Frequently Asked Questions section of the Council's web site. People are encouraged to view this information by using the following link:

<https://www.wirral.gov.uk/planning-and-building/local-plans-and-planning-policy/hoylake-golf-resort/common-questions-about>

I hope this note clarifies matters for the Constituency Committee.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Ball".

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