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Dear Mr Illesley,

I hear that you are very angry about my letter to the Reading Chronicle. I am not sure if the opinions that you have expressed are the opinions of the Trustees of the Poors Land Trust, if so I would have preferred an official approach. If they are your personal opinions I am very sorry that you did not feel able to express them to me personally.

Let me try to clear things up. Firstly I would say please re read my letter. AT NO POINT DID I EXPRESS OPPOSITION TO THE SUGGESTIONS I READ ABOUT IN THE PAPER. I expressed CONCERN. I am not against a scheme that I know very little about, I have not got the information to make a judgement. All I asked is that the Trustees consult with local people and inform them of their plans.

I am not privy to the details of the conditions of the charity, but would guess that the good of the people of Tilehurst was intended to be the outcome, and to this end I am concerned about the question of access to the ground.

In his letter to the Chronicle the Chairman of the Cricket Club seemed to give an undertaking that the ground would be accessible, but the Boroughs report to the Leisure Committee states otherwise. I cannot communicate with him personally since I do not know who he is.

The Residents Association have responded to local concern and are facilitating a public meeting. Surely a place to collect the views of the local people and pass them on to the Trustees and to the Council in a reasoned and restrained manner is better than gossip and inuendo.

Please if you feel able to share this letter with whoever you wish and talk to me personally if you are still angry.

I reiterate that I will make up my mind when I know all the facts and that is what I have always said.

The views I express in this letter are my personal views and not the views of the Armour Road Residents. I do however defend their right to facilitate a public meeting so that people can express their opinions.

Yours

Copy Rev Clive Jones  
Mrs Day