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Dear Huw,

Thank you for your letter of 27 April 2023 about our recent discussion regarding the proposed new asylum seeker accommodation centre at the Northeye site, Bexhill.

The proposals currently under consideration for Bexhill are to provide safe, secure and fit for purpose accommodation for asylum seekers in response to the increasing pressures on the UK asylum system.

The Home Office is working closely with stakeholders, including other government departments and contractors, to ensure that any accommodation which could be provided for those seeking asylum is suitable. By designing the site to be as self-sufficient as possible, the proposals would minimise the impact on local communities and services.

Our analysis will include transportation plans during the works phase. The Home Office is aware that there may be other options to access the site for construction purposes, and will consider other options for the main entry and exit point.

Yours sincerely,

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