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Dear Mr Walsh

KEW COTTAGES DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS

I refer to your email to Justin Madden MLC, Minister for Planning regarding development within Stage 3 of the Kew Residential Services site development. I am responding on behalf of the Minister.

Officers of my department have investigated your concerns and can advise that no unauthorised development has occurred.

Heritage Victoria has previously approved building demolition across the balance of the site in order to stop squatters and vermin occupying the buildings. The removal of these buildings has been undertaken in accordance with the demolition permit.

Stage 3 also includes a large area of cleared land to the north of Main Drive which previously housed the former KRS building, known as Unit 4. Walker Corporation has written to the Department advising of their intention to temporarily use this area for storage of building materials and construction vehicles.

The trees removed by the developer did not require any planning or heritage approval and were originally fenced by the developer for aesthetic reasons only. There is no approval requirement for their removal.

Applications for the Stage 3 area for subdivision into twelve lots (Stage 3A) and for the development of the Heritage core were lodged with Heritage Victoria and the Department on 11 February 2010. The heritage application was placed on public exhibition from 17 February to 3 March 2010. Heritage Victoria will shortly consider any objections received and will make a decision in due course. The planning application for subdivision and development of the Heritage Core will be considered concurrently.

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If you have any further inquiries regarding the contents of this letter, please contact Lorenz Pereira on 9637 9019.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Monk', with a large, stylized initial 'J' and a long, sweeping underline.

JANE MONK
Acting Director
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