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**Re. Application Ref:2016/4936/P – Mushroom Farm, Ludham, NW5 4SE**

**Dear Sir/Madam**

Careline Telecare has offices in Ludham and uses the garages to park service vehicles (and has done for over 17 years) in the eastern end of Ludham, adjacent to the T.A. rooms, shops, etc.. Careline Telecare operates a 24 hour, 365 days of the year response and telecare community alarm service. CCTV cameras record activities at this end of the garage and outside the office windows and garage doors 24 hours a day. Meshed internal gates are locked and secure each end of the Careline Telecare area of the garages. We use the garage doors at the end of Ludham nearest to Elaine Grove and Oak Village for access 24 hrs a day.

We have read the Planning Application which is not specific about the following:-

**Nine Questions**:

1. How many people would be employed?
2. Where would employees of the Mushroom Farm enter and exit the unit?
3. What entrance would vehicles have access to and from the unit for deliveries?
4. Where would bicycles enter and leave the unit?
5. Where would the ventilators and exhaust fans exit the unit?
6. The application says that metal grills in the garages exterior walls would be replaced with polycarbonate and exhaust grills. These pose a security risk, how will this be assessed?
7. How would changing the filters and other Health and Safety issues be monitored?
8. Will a risk assessment be carried out to ensure that spores will not be carried out through filters or along the underground garages?
9. How will the potential growth and expansion of Mushroom Farm and its effects on existing businesses, services, local people and the area be managed? The application talks about two similar urban mushroom farms:

GroCycle in Exeter collects “hundreds of kilos of coffee grounds from cafes each week.” If a similar model is used by Mushroom Farm, how often would lorries deliver coffee grounds and take away their used substrates to and from Ludham?

GroCycle also sells “Grow Your Own Mushroom” kits. Does Mushroom Farm have any plans to develop their business in this way? Do they plan to use the garages in Ludham for this purpose?

Yours sincerely

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