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Dear Ms Skinner

STATEMENT RE: PLANNING APPEAL APP/U2235/W/20/3259300

I, Duncan Beat, write in my capacity as Joint Liquidator of Monk Lakes Limited (In Liquidation). Since my initial involvement in this matter in September 2021, I have gained a fuller understanding of the position.

Following the High Court judgment of Justice Lang in May 2024, which clarified the circumstances under which MLL could lawfully pursue this appeal, I write to confirm Monk Lakes Limited wishes to pursue the planning appeal (APP/U2235/W/20/3259300) ("the Appeal") and to demonstrate its readiness to proceed.

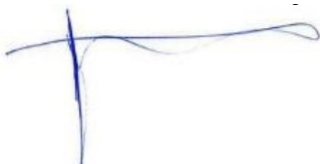
The Appeal before you represents a significant outstanding matter affecting MLL which requires proper resolution in order to make a final assessment of the company for the orderly winding up of the company affairs.

The September 2021 arrangements, including the indemnity agreement, were put in place to protect creditors' interests while formalising this agency relationship, not to transfer control of the Appeal. Since the High Court Judgement (May 24) however, and for the avoidance of doubt, we confirm that:

- a) MLL's active status is maintained specifically to pursue this Appeal
- b) We retain control of the Appeal and any substantive decision-making
- c) The appeal has not been withdrawn and we do not intend on withdrawing the appeal
- d) We have not revoked Taytime Limited's authority to act as agent and it continues with our explicit approval

While procedural matters have required careful consideration, I understand that the underlying planning considerations remain straightforward. In the interests of all parties, we ask that this procedural matter is therefore concluded now, and the substantive matters considered at an appropriate forum as directed by PINS.

Yours faithfully



Duncan Beat
Joint Liquidator
For and on behalf of Monk Lakes Limited (In Liquidation)

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