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Good morning John, I have just tried to give you a call regarding St James' in Clitheroe.

Unfortunately, the technical team remain to be convinced that the scheme can work without pushing flood risk elsewhere and have asked me at this stage to maintain the objection. They are asking for modelling to be done to demonstrate that the pillars beneath the new building won't cause blockages and divert flood flows to the surrounding houses.

I appreciate that this is very disappointing for all concerned and puts the school in a bit of a catch 22 going forward. The site is complex and modelling might reveal the flood risk is not as severe as the current model shows. It may also reveal that there is a solution possible on site, but without the modelling the school can't demonstrate this. I assume that if they lose the funding it is unlikely they could afford the modelling.

If it would help for me to speak to someone at the diocese to explain the challenges they are up against, I am happy to do that.

Happy to discuss but I am conscious that I need to let the architect know, I didn't want to do that before first making you aware and seeing if there was anything further that we could do.

Best Regards

*Carole*

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