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Dear Assembly Member

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that I intend to announce in the near future my decision on the following planning application:

Ref No: S/2005/1556/F

Description: Tourist destination and retail garden centre, with an explorer centre, sensory labyrinth, educational gardens, restaurant, outdoor display areas including feature gardens, car park and landscaping.

Location: Strawberry Hill, Saintfield Road, Lisburn.

The Planning Service has recommended that the application be refused however on balance I have decided it should be approved.

It is my intention to announce that a Notice of Opinion to Approve will be prepared and issued in the near future.

**SAMMY WILSON MP MLA
Minister of the Environment**