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Dear Liz,

I am writing in response to your letter of 13 October with great concern to learn since ou last meeting and exchange of correspondence that your group has been fed information by someone continuing to pursue the conspiracy theory in relation to Pittencrieff Park. It saddens me that you would even consider such a farcical suggestion as now put forward.

There are twenty one Carnegie Trusts and Foundations worldwide. Each body is separately constituted in line with the aims and wishes of our common founder and each does not overlap on the work of the others. The idea that any one of the American Foundations (and they are not a collective body in any sense) would look to instigate something in Scotland is as bizarre as it is unfounded.

The facts remain that the Park costs in the region of half a million pounds per annum to run, that the Council and the Trust have jointly been looking at a long term approach to its future through the ten year plan drawn up in 2003, that an approach was made to the Trust by a developer seeking to work with an American academic partner for a possible business school in Scotland, and that the Trust is totally committed to the long term sustainability of the Park and the successful future of Dunfermline.

There is no question of the Trust holding anyone to ransom over the assessment of this or any other project that might be considered for the Park or Dunfermline and it puzzles me that your group would be so taken up with a desire to whip up public opinion without a reality check. I had hoped that we had moved on from there. I still hope that your group will be able to demonstrate ways of being pro-active in addressing the critical issues of maintenance and economic sustainability of the Park.

Yours sincerely,

Angus M Hogg