

Dear Dave,  
Condy to hear  
from you as always!  
Am very happy to  
support the upgrading  
of Ashdown to GRADE  
ONE status. I  
have vivid memories  
of Bills Williamson  
grapestraining on the

bleau's of the hallway  
after someone (it may  
have been Rowena) was  
found to have left  
her washing in its  
sacred precincts.  
(one to all  
or vice  
versa)



The Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR UXBRIDGE AND SOUTH RUISLIP

Personal Clive & Ruena  
Hoboyde

Barcombe

Nr. Leves BN8 5DH

Dec 27<sup>th</sup>, '22

Dear Al

I hope you had a splendid Christmas with all yours. We had such here - all seven grandchildren contributing a good deal of noise! I'm just sending you a copy of an email I received from Rupert Atkin, father of three boys at A.H., which I think is self-explanatory. He's such a really excellent man that I said I would try and send this to you: however I did warn him that I thought there was next to no prospect of you bearding a few rich Americans with the aim of raising funds for a Winnie-the-Pooh centenary!

There is a move afoot to upgrade the A.H. Lathorne building to Grade 1 status. To be honest I'm not sure whether this is in its best interests or not, but most O.A.s would not fancy 50 or so houses going up on the patch! And then there is the drive, the bend on the main road, etc etc. You may receive a copy of all the research done by one

Edward Pinney, also an OA of recent years, which I think is impressive. I've sent it all to Leo (the one email address which pops up on my machine for a Johnson connection) and he may send it on to you ... or not. Anyway apologies for inundating with stuff which won't be as important as your present workload I'm sure.

I wish you & Carrie & all the family a very Happy New Year & Renee sends love of course ..

Yours ever,

Cline



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**Clive Williams** <mvcw44@gmail.com>

Tue, Dec 27, 2022 at 10:31 AM

To: rowena williams &lt;williams.barcombe@gmail.com&gt;

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From: **Rupert Atkin** <Rupert.Atkin@outlook.com>

Date: Wed, Dec 21, 2022 at 2:35 PM

Subject: Favour

To: Clive Williams &lt;mvcw44@gmail.com&gt;

Dear Clive,

I have been getting to know James Adler quite well who runs the Forest on a day to day basis and he is seeking to not only replace the lost Council funding but use the forthcoming centenary of Winnie the Pooh to try and fundraise. He wants to target, in addition to the UK, the USA, as well as Japan and Germany, as evidently they constitute the main overseas visitors. A thought occurred to me as to whether you might feel comfortable approaching Boris to assist in the USA where I gather he is engaged in a range of public speaking. Do you think given his Ashdown background with yourself that he might be interested in trying to help us? If you think it is worth a try, I can put you in touch with James directly, who in my opinion is doing a great job and is very knowledgeable about all aspects of the Forest. I am not sure that there is any immediate urgency, so I am sure we could fit in with his schedule! I quite understand if the answer is no.

I hope you and the family all have a great Christmas,

Love from us all,

**Rupert.**