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Dear Chris,

Following today's meeting with Glasshouse, I thought I'd note down, as an aide memoire, what I outlined as the best way forward in terms of expediting legal matters. Recognising, of course, that this needs to be done speedily and effectively.

Obviously, we have no problem with the BFI taking on the financial burden of legal negotiations, but this needs to be held alongside the ultimate goal which is a lease between LFVDA and Glasshouse (plus sub leases between LFVDA and Co-op/LVA). Because the BFI will stand behind the LFVDA's lease, it too needs to be fully satisfied as to the lease. I have arranged with our legal advisers, Gouldens, that they will 'vet' any documents emerging from negotiations between BFI and Nicholson, Graham and Jones and advise me (and you) accordingly. It is essential, therefore, that all documentation relating to heads of terms, leases, agreements to lease and all correspondence on these matters is copied to Peter Westley at Gouldens. I have written to him to alert him to this impending flow (torrent?) of information. It would also be useful to copy in Larry Chrisfield and myself.

Without the full participation of the LFVDA and its advisors at every stage, the process would run the risk of generating a document unacceptable to the Board of the LFVDA. And we would only discover this at the last moment. Further, given the delicate nature of this whole situation, the presentation with no consultation to the LFVDA by the BFI of the finished lease (of a fait accompli) is unlikely to constitute the most effective political strategy.

As to timetable, as you know, the LFVDA Board will discuss this on May 25. I would then imagine that the small sub-group working on this will meet in early June, with perhaps a formal extraordinary Board meeting to ratify decisions sometime in mid-June. I can't really see anything that could speed things up more than this - and events will probably conspire to delay.

It would be useful if Mark Philips could get his letter re. indemnification to us (Peter, Larry and me) as soon as possible. No doubt there will be toing and froing on this.

See you in two weeks - when you've got all this completely sorted!

Best wishes

Yours sincerely

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