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Attention Mr. Paul Sexton- Planning

22 March 2007

Dear Sir.

2007 Cambridge Gliding Club Competition - Gransden Lodge Airfield

We write in accordance with established procedures to advise on the arrangements for the annual British Gliding Association (BGA) rated gliding competition at Gransden Lodge airfield.

Following negotiation with the BGA as regulating body the confirmed dates for this year's competition are Saturday August 18th to Sunday August 26th inclusive — with a potential of maximum 9 flying days available in total, in line with the established pattern.

This remains a popular event and, once again, we expect an entry of around 60 pilots. To allow us to launch these aircraft in accordance with BGA rules, and to support supplementary club flying, we will once again require temporary removal of the planning conditions related to aerotow launches for the duration of the competition.

We reconfirm that in respect of this competition:

- We shall be undertaking all the established safeguards to minimise noise and disturbance including close attention to tow out and return routes for tug aircraft, full tug pilot briefings and the use of appropriate tow aircraft.
- We shall be publishing telephone numbers for use by local people to register any noise complaints during launching.
- We shall be extending an invitation for anyone interested in familiarising themselves with the operation to visit the airfield during the competition, subject to prior notification so that we can provide the essential safety briefings.
- We shall be liaising with other local airfield operators and the Civil Aviation Authority to de-conflict these operations with any other planned flying activity in the area. We are, of course, aware of the Children in Need Display at Little Gransden Airfield on Sunday 26th August.

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- The Spring planning liaison meeting with the local District and Parish Council representatives, with the arrangements and detail of this competition agenda items for consultation, is planned to take place at our clubhouse on the Thursday 11 April 2007.

We look forward to your acknowledgement of this notification and confirmation that this is in order, whilst we enter into final detailed planning for the event.

Yours faithfully,

For Cambridge Gliding Centre

Neil Goudie Secretary

cc John Glossop – Competition Director Richard Brickwood – Cambridge Gliding Centre Chairman