



South Tyneside Council

Anne-Marie Trevelyan MP
House of Commons
London
SW1AOAA

Date: 25th June 2015
Our ref: CX/HJ/AH/LB

Dear Ms Trevelyan

Mr Michael Dawson, Amble

Thank you for your letter dated 1 June 2015 to the Chief Executive, Martin Swales, regarding an enquiry from your constituent Mr Dawson regarding a boat repair shelter at Tyne Slipway, River Drive, South Shields.

Mr Dawson has advised you that he believes the boat shed had been constructed outside the remits of the approved plans.

I have made enquiries into this matter and have been advised as follows:

The matters and allegations raised by your constituent are well documented and have been subject to a number of enquiries from Mr Dawson and other local residents over a lengthy period of time. The matter was ultimately referred by way of complaint to the Local Government Ombudsman, the outcome of which was delivered on 14 April 2015.

The Ombudsman did not uphold the complaint, finding that the Council had acted appropriately in our approach relating to the planning application and subsequent action, full details of which would have been sent by their office to Mr Dawson.

If you require any further information in relation to this matter you may contact George Mansbridge, Head of Development Services on 0191 424 7566.

I hope that this information is useful. Please do not hesitate to share this letter with your constituent.

Yours sincerely

Hayley Johnson
Corporate Lead Officer, Strategy and Performance