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Dear Mark,

**Whittle Roundabout, Lutterworth, Leicestershire
Redecoration of Replica Aeroplane**

Following my general inspection of the above on 3 August 2016, I report below under a series of headings:

1. Instructions

Further to our fee proposal of 20 November 2015, you advised on 28 July 2016 that the Trust had concluded their work to redecorate the replica aeroplane situated on the Whittle roundabout, Lutterworth.

We were instructed to undertake a general inspection of the completed work and to advise thereon.

2. Inspection

I inspected site on 3 August 2016. At the time of my inspection the weather was dry, generally sunny and warm.

My inspections comprised of only visual inspections undertaken from ground level. I was able to gain access onto the roundabout. No opening up or invasive testing / examinations were undertaken. I was not able to view inside the fuselage to record the current condition of the underlying metal framework.

3. Findings

At the time of my inspection it was evident that the Trust had indeed concluded their work to redecorate both the replica aeroplane fuselage and also the associated exposed metal support posts beneath.

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The support posts have been redecorated with a thick coat of black coloured 'anti-climb' solution. The fuselage has been redecorated with a new silver coloured paint system, which generally now provides a consistent appearance across its entire external surface.

A selection of photographs taken at the time of my recent inspection is attached for your file. You will note from photograph no. 17 that the tailpipe of the aeroplane, at its point of connection with the main support post, is generally uneven beneath the surface of the new paintwork. It is entirely possible that the top coat of material used to construct the aeroplane is delaminating in this location, albeit the new paint system fully encapsulates this and so I would not anticipate any associated issues arising in the short term, unless the new paint system begins to break down in this location.

4. Conclusion

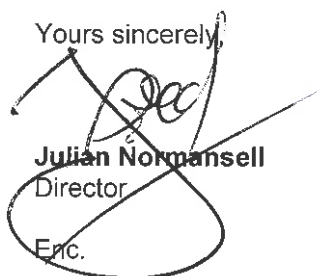
The general quality of workmanship adopted by the Trust during their recent redecoration work appears acceptable. As can be seen from the attached photographs, both the aeroplane and associated exposed support posts now have a good visual appearance.

I am unaware of the precise type and product details for the newly applied paint systems. To this end, I am unable to comment on the anticipated life expectancy, or suitability, of the new paint system applied during the recent redecoration work undertaken by the Trust.

I trust the above and attached are self-explanatory. Should you require any additional information then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards.

Yours sincerely,


Julian Normansell
Director
Enc.



1. General view



2. General view

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3. General view



4. General view



5. General view



6. General view

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7. General view



8. General view



9. General view



10. General view

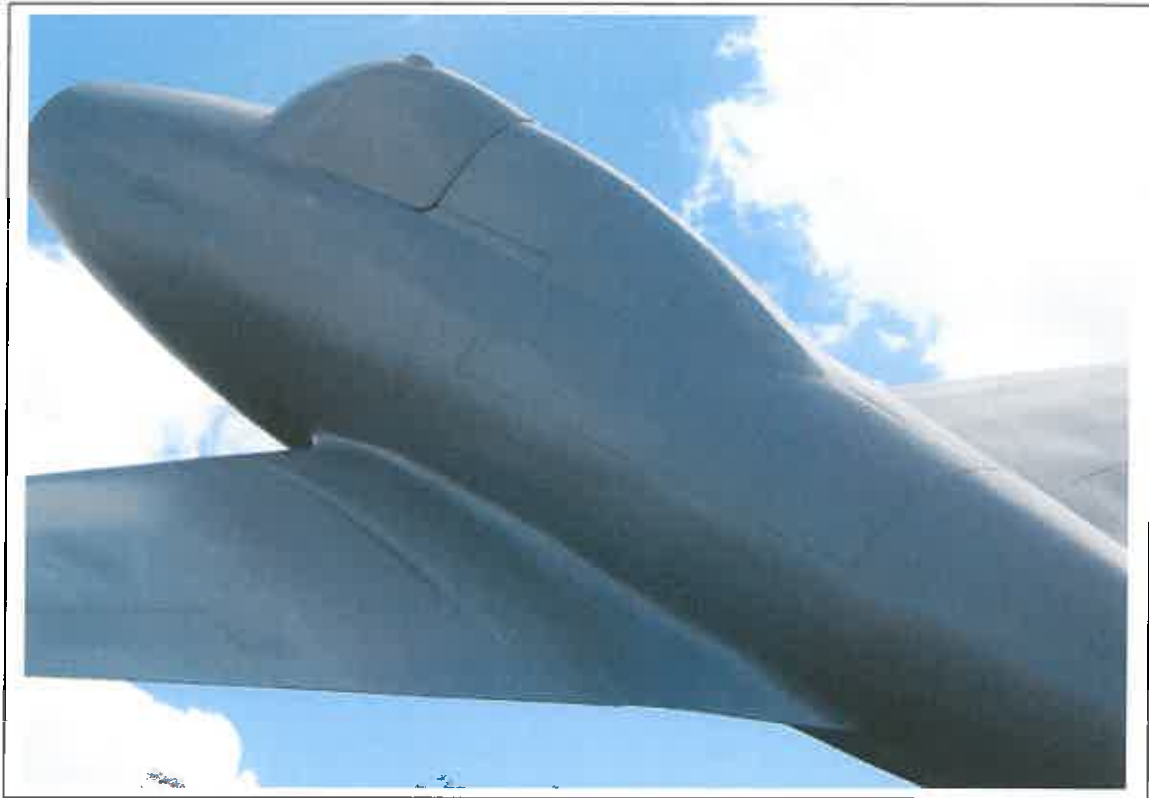
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11. General view



12. General view



13. General view



14. General view



15. General view



16. General view

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17. General view



18. General view

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19. General view



20. General view

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21. General view



22. General view