The Heritage Lottery Fund c/o The National Forest Company

'Chronicles of Charnia'

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Dear Sirs

Please take this letter as our commitment to continuing our support for this project to protect, preserve and enhance the Charnwood Forest Regional Park with its truly unique features.

Representing the public and all parties involved in the countryside this project is very close to our hearts and we have been actively involved from inception. Two of our members serve on the working groups constructing this bid and I myself serve on the Development Board. As such we have invested a lot of time into the project and expect to continue to do so. In addition the entire Forum has dedicated meeting time to working on suggestions and projects which could fall within this scheme

We have one project worked up and costed to assist the less able to access the area which we expect will be adopted as part of the project during the development phase if the initial bid is accepted.

As a body we have no budget or funds and cannot contribute any cash to the project but as we are all volunteers the considerable time we expect to invest in this should count towards matched funding requirements.

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The Leicestershire Local Access Forum (LAF) is an independent statutory body, set up as a result of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act (CRoW) 2000, and exists to represent the interests of everyone concerned with access to the countryside and the public rights of way network including footpaths, bridleways and byways, cycleways and areas of open access.

Section 94 of the CROW act makes it a statutory function of the forum to give advice to a range of bodies, including local authorities, on access issues in respect of land use planning matters.

