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FROM THE RECTOR
CORDON BROWN

Charles H Stewart, Esq.,
The Secretary
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Old College,

Dear Mr Stewart,

May 7th, 1975

This is a list of the questions which I think require to be answered in relation to expenditure on 14, Harriot Row; 41, Barnnton Avenue; and related topics

14 Harriot Row

- (a) Cost of design, architectural and draughtsmen work
- (b) Cost of joinery work and materials
- (c) Cost of installation of new plumbing system - inc. copper piping and labour
- (d) Cost of wallpapering and wallpaper as material
- (e) Cost of fitted carpets
- (f) Cost of external repairs, inc. renovation of garages and work on grounds

Most of these costings are in my opinion excluded from the original figures issued by the University

(c) Income from improvement grants, or alternatively, why no improvement grants were applied for?

41. Barnnton Avenue

- (a) Cost of structural renovations to house in 1966-7
- (b) Costing of labour time
- (c) Costing of design fees
- (d) Costing of fittings to residence
- (e) The nature of the arrangement entered into by Court of University with

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Other services

- (a) Other members of the University administration who have drawn on the services of the Works Department for reports or renovations to their houses, and costs?
- (b) A full list of expenses and entertainment allowances paid to members of the University administration

2 Harriot Row

- (a) The income to the University from the recent sale of the property
- (b) The destination of the capital accruing to the University from the sale

These questions thus follow on from the more general questions I raised with you in my previous correspondence. In themselves they do not of course comprise an exhaustive list and you will appreciate that in the light of the replies I receive I may have to ask further questions.

On a more general point, I repeat my view that I have an incontestable right as a member of and Chairman of the Court to examine the documentation which I think is necessary for me to discharge my duties as a member of the Court which is after all statutorily responsible for the management of University finances. I think therefore that it is wrong for the administration to seek to withhold from me information which I have requested. In this time of economy I believe it is vital that the University's finances must not only be properly managed but be seen to be so.

Yours sincerely,

Cordon Brown