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Wendy Thompson [via email]

Planning, YDNPA   12 March 2019

Comment on planning application: R/66/8C Barn adjacent to St Botoloph's Church, Horsehouse

Full planning permission for conversion and extension to existing barn to form one No. 2 bedroom dwelling or holiday let and creation of new access

Dear Ms Thompsom

Friends of the Dales are very disappointed that this application has come forward, as the barn was originally gifted to a conservation charity in order to ensure its protection.

This is a fine example of a Dales Barn, with good stonework outside and interesting structure inside. The barn sits in a very sensitive location, framing the church and the entrance to the village, and a barn conversion here would suburbanise the setting. This would be exacerbated by the re-alignment of the drystone wall to achieve visibility splays.

However we acknowledge the barn appears to fall with the terms of the policy for barn conversions. Should the Committee be minded to grant permission then we would expect that the highest standard of design is followed to ensure a sympathetic and appropriate conversion.

Yours sincerely

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Dr Malcolm Petyt, Chair of Policy Committee

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