

From: Robert Mayhew  
Sent: 23 January 2015 15:40  
To: DC Consultation  
Subject: RE: Planning Application Consultation 15NP0002CO Land North West of Falstone Cemetery, Falstone, Hexham, Northumberland

Chris,

15NP0002Co - Neighbouring Authority Consultation in respect of construction of livestock building at Land North West of Falstone Cemetery, Falstone, Hexham, Northumberland

Thank you for consulting me on the above application. I wish to make the following comments on the potential landscape, lighting and tree implications associated with this proposed development.

- This site lies outside the National Park and therefore will not directly affect the landscape character of the Park. However, it is approximately 350 metres from the nearest publically accessible receptor site within the National Park, namely Falstone public footpath 31 at Stannershaugh and will be visible from locations approximately 450 metres away where this footpath joins the C200 minor county road that runs between Kilder Village and Lanehaed. This agricultural shed would not be contiguous with any existing farm buildings and would stand alone within the defined floodplain of the north Tyne River that comprises species rich hay and silage meadows defined by post and wire fencing. It would also be highly visible from the C199 minor county road into Falstone Village and from various locations along the C200 minor county road that passes between Kilder Village and Lanehaed as this lies south of the site on the higher valley slopes. Whilst this will be a visually prominent structure in the landscape at approximately 31 metres long by 15 metres wide, I do not believe that the agricultural shed will have a significant effect upon the landscape character of or views into or out from the National Park. This is due to adjacent trees and vegetation to the north and east of the site that help screen the shed from views from the Park, the design of the building and distance from receptor sites in the National Park.
- The applicant has not indicated within the application form whether any new external lighting will be required as a result of this proposed development. It is not therefore possible to determine whether the Dark Sky Park status of this part of the North Tyne valley would be threatened by an increase in light pollution as a result of this application. Please seek clarification from staff at Northumberland County Council.
- This site lies outside the National Park and as such no trees within the National park will be affected as a result of this application.

I have no objections but would request that the question of whether there is a need for any new external lighting be asked of the applicant. If you have any questions in relation to the above please do not hesitate to contact me.

regards

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From: DC Consultation

Sent: 16 January 2015 09:17

To: Robert Mayhew

Subject: Planning Application Consultation 15NP0002CO Land North West of Falstone Cemetery, Falstone, Hexham, Northumberland

Please see the attached consultation regarding a planning application which has been received by Northumberland National Park Authority. Full details can be viewed at <http://nnpa.planning-register.co.uk/plaPlanningAppDisplay.aspx?AppNo=15NP0002CO>  
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