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Dear Colin,

Thank you for consulting me on this proposal. I have read the documents including the environmental report and have no objections to the proposal. The proposed site is a species-poor grazed and fertilised field. I note the poor suitability for bats in the hay shed to be demolished and no current use by barn owls. I do agree that making provision for barn owls in the new building should be made a condition since an area of green field will be lost under the new building. The tree and shrub species mentioned in the proposed landscaping are acceptable, but I will leave it to the landscape officer to comment further on that aspect and that of lighting; which should be dark sky compliant.

I note that the floor will be concrete. The site is some distance from any watercourses so I consider the risk of polluting the water environment in the construction to be low. The current sheep pens are indeed closer to the Elsdon burn and will be better housed in this location. The proposal is unlikely to affect any designated sites.

Therefore if the barn owl provision is made a condition I have no further comments or objections.

Yours sincerely,  
Gill Thompson

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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=20NP0035>

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