



Northumberland County Council

MEMO

To: Northumberland National Parks Planning
From: David Lathan, Senior Environmental Health Officer,
Environmental Protection Team.
Date: 6 July 2020
Our Ref: SRU139583
Planning Ref: 20NP0043
Subject: Conversion and extension of outbuildings (The Bothy and The Kennels) into 2 holiday accommodation units and construction of two storey side and rear extensions to existing dwelling and change of use of field to parking and alterations to driveway
Location: Keepers Cottage, High Green, Otterburn, Northumberland,
NE48 1RP

I refer to your consultation dated 28 June 2020.

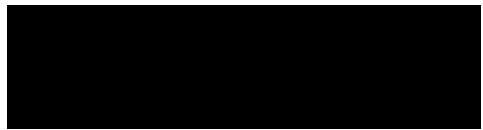
Public Health Protection **object** to this proposal on the grounds of ground gas (contaminated land).

The applicant is proposing to convert two existing buildings into holiday accommodation. The proposed development site is located within the Northumberland Coal Field and in very close proximity to a number of former coal shafts and Coal Authority Referral Area. Public Health objected to a previous application on this site on ground gas issues, yet the applicant has still not provided the required information.

Ground Gas

The applicant has confirmed that they will install ground gas protection to a CS2 standard in the existing buildings but as stated in our initial memo we need the details of how this will be achieved prior to the application being determined. Officers note that no ground gas protection is present in the dwelling that is to be extended, as such ground gas protection is not required in the extension. The applicant has submitted a CON29 mining report which is not sufficient to address the issues raised above.

Public Health Protection would wish to be re-consulted should additional information be received.

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