Good Morning,

NYM/2019/0867/FL - The Parish Council Object to this application, the proposed location of the garage is inappropriate with the access being in a dangerous area.

Kind regards,

Steph Glasby Clerk to Fylingdales Parish Council

# NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL BUSINESS and ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

# LOCAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY CONSIDERATIONS and RECOMMENDATION



Application No:		NYM19/0867/FL		
Proposed Development:		change of use of land to garden together with construction of double garage and relocation of vehicular access (revised scheme to NYM/2019/0311/FL)		
Location:		Brackenrigg, Fylingdales		
Applicant:		Mr G Long		
CH Ref:			Case Officer:	Ged Lyth
Area Ref:		4/29/692A	Tel:	
County Road No:			E-mail:	
То:	North York Moors National Park Authority The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley YO62 5BP		Date:	10 January 2020
FAO:	Jill Bastow		Copies to:	

### Note to the Planning Officer:

In assessing the submitted proposals and reaching its recommendation the Local Highway Authority has taken into account the following matters:

The design standard for the site is the Design manual for Roads and Bridges and the required visibility splay is 2.4 metres by 215 metres. The available visibility is in the region of 2.4 metres by 250 metres in both directions.

Consequently the Local Highway Authority recommends that the following **Condition** is attached to any permission granted:

HC-07 Private Access/Verge Crossings: Construction Requirements Unless otherwise approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, there shall be no excavation or other groundworks, except for investigative works, or the depositing of material on the site until the access to the site have been set out and constructed in accordance with the published Specification of the Highway Authority and the following requirements

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d. The crossing of the highway verge shall be constructed in accordance with the Standard Detail number E6W.

e. Any gates or barriers shall be erected a minimum distance of 6 metres back from the carriageway of the existing highway and shall not be able to swing over the existing highway.

g. Provision to prevent surface water from the site/plot discharging onto the existing highway shall be constructed in accordance with the approved details and maintained thereafter to prevent such discharges

h. The final surfacing of any private access within one metres of the public highway shall not contain any loose material that is capable of being drawn on to the existing public highway.

All works shall accord with the approved details unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

HI-07 INFORMATIVE

You are advised that a separate licence will be required from the Highway Authority in order to allow any works in the adopted highway to be carried out. The 'Specification for Housing and Industrial Estate Roads and Private Street Works' published by North Yorkshire County Council, the Highway Authority, is available at the County Council's offices. The local office of the Highway Authority will also be pleased to provide the detailed constructional specification referred to in this condition. REASON

In accordance with policy # and to ensure a satisfactory means of access to the site from the public highway in the interests of vehicle and pedestrian safety and convenience

Signed:	Issued by:		
	Whitby Highways Office		
	Discovery Way		
	Whitby		
	North Yorkshire		
Ged Lyth	YO22 4PZ		
For Corporate Director for Business and Environmental Services	e-mail:		

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for seeking the Forestry Commission's advice about the impacts that this application may have on Ancient Woodland. As a non-statutory consultee, the Forestry Commission is pleased to provide you with the attached information that may be helpful when you consider the application:

- Details of Government Policy relating to ancient woodland
- Information on the importance and designation of ancient woodland

Ancient woodlands are irreplaceable. They have great value because they have a long history of woodland cover, with many features remaining undisturbed. This applies equally to Ancient Semi Natural Woodland (ASNW) and Plantations on Ancient Woodland Sites (PAWS).

It is Government policy to refuse development that will result in the loss or deterioration of irreplaceable habitats including ancient woodland, unless "*there are wholly exceptional reasons and a suitable compensation strategy exists*" (National Planning Policy Framework paragraph 175).

We also particularly refer you to further technical information set out in Natural England and Forestry Commission's <u>Standing Advice on Ancient Woodland</u> – plus supporting <u>Assessment Guide and Case Decisions</u>.

As a Non Ministerial Government Department, we provide no opinion supporting or objecting to an application. Rather we are including information on the potential impact that the proposed development would have on the ancient woodland.

These comments are based upon information available to us through a desk study of the case, including the <u>Ancient Woodland Inventory</u> (maintained by Natural England), which can be viewed on the <u>MAGIC Map Browser</u>, and our general local knowledge of the area.

We suggest that you take regard of any points provided by Natural England about the biodiversity of the woodland.

We also assume that as part of the planning process, the local authority has given a screening opinion as to whether or not an Environmental Impact Assessment is needed under the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. If not, it is worth advising the applicant to approach the Forestry Commission to provide an opinion as to whether or not an Environmental Impact Assessment is needed

under the Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999, as amended.

We hope these comments are helpful to you. If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

### Inez Hein

Y&NE Area Technical Support Officer Forestry Commission Yorkshire & North East Area Foss House, King's Pool, 1-2 Peasholme Green, York YO1 7PX

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### A summary of Government policy on ancient woodland

Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 (published October 2006). Section 40 – "Every public authority must, in exercising its functions, have regard, so far as is consistent with the proper exercise of those functions, to the purpose of conserving biodiversity".

National Planning Policy Framework (published July 2018).

**Paragraph 175** – "development resulting in the loss or deterioration of irreplaceable habitats (such as ancient woodland and ancient or veteran trees) should be refused, unless there are wholly exceptional reasons and a suitable compensation strategy exists".

National Planning Practice Guidance – Natural Environment Guidance. (published March 2014)

This Guidance supports the implementation and interpretation of the National Planning Policy Framework. This section outlines the Forestry Commission's role as a non statutory consultee on *"development proposals that contain or are likely to affect Ancient Semi-Natural woodlands or* 

Plantations on Ancient Woodlands Sites (PAWS) (as defined and recorded in <u>Natural England's Ancient Woodland</u> <u>Inventory</u>), including proposals where any part of the development site is within 500 metres of an ancient seminatural woodland or ancient replanted woodland, and where the development would involve erecting new buildings, or extending the footprint of existing buildings"

It also notes that ancient woodland is an irreplaceable habitat, and that, in planning decisions, **Plantations on Ancient Woodland Sites (PAWS) should be treated equally in terms of the protection afforded to ancient woodland in the National Planning Policy Framework**. It highlights the Ancient Woodland Inventory as a way to find out if a woodland is ancient.

### The UK Forestry Standard (4th edition published August 2017).

Page 23: "Areas of woodland are material considerations in the planning process and may be protected in local authority Area Plans. These plans pay particular attention to woods listed on the Ancient Woodland Inventory and areas identified as Sites of Local Nature Conservation Importance SLNCIs)".

<u>Keepers of Time</u> – A Statement of Policy for England's Ancient and Native Woodland (published June 2005).

**Page 10** "The existing area of ancient woodland should be maintained and there should be a net increase in the area of native woodland".

### Natural Environment White Paper "The Natural Choice" (published June 2011)

**Paragraph 2.53** - This has a "renewed commitment to conserving and restoring ancient woodlands".

**Paragraph 2.56** – "The Government is committed to providing appropriate protection to ancient woodlands and to more restoration of plantations on ancient woodland sites".

# <u>Standing Advice for Ancient Woodland and Veteran Trees</u> (first published October 2014, revised November 2018)

This advice, issued jointly by Natural England and the Forestry Commission, is a material consideration for planning decisions across England. It explains the definition of ancient woodland, its importance, ways to identify it and the policies that are relevant to it.

The Standing Advice refers to an <u>Assessment Guide</u>. This guide sets out a series of questions to help planners assess the impact of the proposed development on the ancient woodland.

<u>Biodiversity 2020: a strategy for England's wildlife and ecosystem services</u> (published August 2011).

**Paragraph 2.16** - Further commitments to protect ancient woodland and to continue restoration of Plantations on Ancient Woodland Sites (PAWS).

# Importance and Designation of Ancient and Native Woodland

### Ancient Semi Natural Woodland (ASNW)

Woodland composed of mainly native trees and shrubs derived from natural seedfall or coppice rather than from planting, and known to be continuously present on the site since at least AD 1600. Ancient Woodland sites are shown on Natural England's Inventory of Ancient Woodland.

### Plantations on Ancient Woodland Site (PAWS)

Woodlands derived from past planting, but on sites known to be continuously wooded in one form or another since at least AD 1600. They can be replanted with conifer and broadleaved trees and can retain ancient woodland features, such as undisturbed soil, ground flora and fungi. Very old PAWS composed of native species can have characteristics of ASNW. Ancient Woodland sites (including PAWS) are on Natural England's Inventory of Ancient Woodland.

### Other Semi-Natural Woodland (OSNW)

Woodland which has arisen since AD 1600, is derived from natural seedfall or planting and consists of at least 80% locally native trees and shrubs (i.e., species historically found in England that would arise naturally on the site). Sometimes known as 'recent semi-natural woodland'.

Other woodlands may have developed considerable ecological value, especially if they have been established on cultivated land or been present for many decades.

# Information Tools – The Ancient Woodland Inventory

This is described as provisional because new information may become available that shows that woods not on the inventory are likely to be ancient or, occasionally, vice versa. In addition ancient woods less than two hectares or open woodland such as ancient wood-pasture sites were generally not included on the inventories. For more technical detail see *Natural England's Ancient Woodland Inventory*. Inspection may determine that other areas qualify.

As an example of further information becoming available, Wealden District Council, in partnership with the Forestry Commission, Countryside Agency, the Woodland Trust and the High Weald AONB revised the inventory in their district, including areas under 2ha. Some other local authorities have taken this approach.

# Further Guidance

Felling Licences - Under the Forestry Act (1967) a Felling Licence is required for felling more

than 5 cubic metres per calendar quarter. Failure to obtain a licence may lead to prosecution and the issue of a restocking notice.

<u>Environmental Impact Assessment</u> - Under the Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) (England and Wales) Regulations 1999, as amended, deforestation which is likely to have a significant impact on the environment may also require formal consent from the Forestry Commission.

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Dear Jill,

I am glad to see that some native trees and fruit trees have already been planted to compensate for the proposed loss of hedgerow. I note that the plans detail an additional new tree line to the southern boundary presumably to screen the proposed garage. This new tree line should be of native species, including a mix of hedging species such as hawthorn, dog rose, dogwood, elder, hazel and holly if not already included in the existing planting as well as native trees. If approved, this planting/landscaping could be secured by condition.

Thanks,

Elspeth

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