Dear Sir or Madam

Planning consultation: Application for erection of agricultural livestock building

Location: Church Farm, Kilburn. Application: NYM/2020/0293/FL

We write to strongly object to the proposal for yet another large agricultural building at Church Farm, Kilburn. This farm is located in the centre of the village and surrounds residential properties less than 50 metres away with several large buildings housing at present around 1000 pigs. Its 'sister' farm also has a large agricultural shed housing pigs – approximately ¼ mile away on the corner of the access road into the village. The combination of the two doubles the amount of smell and noise.

The location of this potential building is directly beside a barn immediately behind our property which was originally given planning permission for storage of agricultural equipment – but it has, to our knowledge, never been used for this purpose and is being used to house either cattle or pigs throughout the year, and at present it has cattle in, and the agricultural equipment is left rusting in the field beside it. The application states that this building is only for over-wintering of cattle, however, the design and access statement appears to contradict this, as it states that it would be used for pigs during the summer months. This is worrying to us, as we are of the opinion that it may be a way of increasing the number of pigs at the farm.

The location of this new building next to the existing one would mean that we would have two extremely large buildings immediately the other side of our back hedge. The new building would also compromise the public's enjoyment of the Norman church (St Mary's), and it would also overshadow a public footpath between Kilburn and High Kilburn. There is also a public footpath that passes through the farmyard, which is permanently impassable due to the mud and excrement and slime that runs off from the existing building, (and eventually ends up in a small watercourse running alongside the public footpath to High Kilburn).

The noise, smell and flies are a constant source of distress to us as neighbours. The noise from cattle lowing is 24/7 whether in sheds or in the fields. The noisy squealing of the pigs is 24/7 and gets increasingly louder as they mature. We are daily inundated by hordes of flies from the huge pile of manure from both pigs and cattle. We rarely get to enjoy our garden due to the noise and smell and cannot open our windows during the summer months as the smell pervades the whole house.

There is a considerable increase in noise and smell when the pigs are brought in or taken out, starting at around 4.30am, and a considerable increase in farm and transportation vehicles. It is our opinion that this will increase when cattle housed in the current and new buildings are also transported in/out of the farm.

The noise and smell also has a detrimental effect on the village, as we regularly see people coming to the pub or to visit the Mouseman Museum, getting out of their cars, being greeted by the smell and noise and promptly get back in their cars and leave. Not a great advert for a tourist village described as a "jewel in the crown of North Yorkshire" or local businesses such as the T-Café and the Forresters Arms.

We sincerely hope that you will refuse permission for this agricultural building it would, in our opinion, have an extremely detrimental effect on us as immediate neighbours and residents, and the village as a whole.

Mr D de Cogan and Mrs J de Cogan Oak Cottage, Kilburn, YO61 4AH 26th August 2020

From:	
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Subject:	Comments on NYM/2020/0293/FL - Case Officer Mrs H Saunders - Received from Mrs Frances Gomersall at Croft Court, Kilbun, York, YO61 4AH
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To the extreme detriment of residents and visitors alike the centre of Kilburn is already blighted by the incessant squealing and inevitable smell of the pigs kept in the two nearby sites already used by the applicant of this planning permission

Whilst the siting of the new building is not necessarily objectionable the stock to be kept there is of extreme concern and will certainly have an impact on the adjacent Church and private properties now surrounded by the existing barns.

Although the application states that it is for the use of cattle a note at the end does specify that pigs will be accommodated during the summer months and there is no guarantee that the existing cattle sheds will not then be used for even more pigs.

Intensive farming of pigs in the centre of a tourist village cannot be of any benefit to the residents and the conservation of the surrounding area.

Comments made by Mrs Frances Gomersall of Croft Court, Kilbun, York, YO61 4AH

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As very close neighbours of Church Farm, while we wish them well in running a successful business, we have serious concerns about the effects of the planned expansion on ourselves and the wider village.

There is already considerable noise and smell from the farm. We understand from the plans that the new barn will only be used for cattle, and that pigs are to be specifically excluded from being housed in it. It also says that more pigs may be accommodated in the summer months as a result, presumably in an area previously used to accommodate cows. It is a worry that this may be a way of increasing the number of pigs, under the guise of increasing the capacity for cattle.

We do appreciate that we live in a rural area, and that country smells and sounds are part of the "landscape". Church Farm is in the centre of the village, not on the outskirts, or in an isolated area, and has a direct impact on the local community. We are already affected by the present situation, and any increase in traffic activity, noise levels and smell would be unwelcome.

Mr Nicholas & Mrs Catherine Birch Plumtree Cottage, Kilburn, York, YO61 4AH 3rd July 2020 From:

Subject:	Comments on NYM/2020/0293/FL - Case Officer Mrs H Saunders - Received from Mrs Pauline Percy at The
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Currently Kilburn has two intensive pig sheds - one on the current property and one at the west end of the village. The noise from both is awful at present especially as the pigs get larger. At times the smell too is bad. The village has many visitors to see the White Horse and 'Mousey' Thompson's workshops. The proposed building would to be even closer to the Church and very close to a public footpath. When visitors attend, the noise is often commented upon and the other path which goes past the existing pig shed is covered in slime exuding from the pig shed - no one locally walks on that path because of the smell and slime. Please no more intensive farming in this very rural and (with the exception of pigs) quiet village. It is very difficult to live with constant squeals and the thought of another path being affected by run-off from animal sheds is awful.

No objection to feed storage but not to closely packed animals.

Comments made by Mrs Pauline Percy of The Vicarage, Kilburn, York, YO614AH

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