

Bracken Brae Hood lane Cloughton SCARBOROUGH N. Yorks YO13 OAT

1st July 2023

Re NYM/2023/0390

Dear Ms Jackson

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above application. My current concerns are similar to my concerns with the original application (NYM/2020/0996/FL) however it is necessary to draw your attention to some of the pertinent comments made in the "Director of Planning's Recommendation" to this original application. On page 6 Paragraph 5 the last sentence states "It would be positions (sic.) adjacent the boundary with the neighbouring property but it is not considered to represent any impact upon the residential amenities by reason of the substantial mature hedgerow boundary ... ". Regrettably the applicant has now cut down this substantial mature hedgerow and, as a consequence, the development now does impact on my residential amenities. I have tried to mitigate the visual impact by planting a hedge of my own however this will obviously take many years to grow.

The Director's comments (loc. cit.) go on to discuss the size of the planned extension, pointing out that the 2020 proposed extensions have an area of 40.5 square metres and the permitted area is 44 square metres, thus leaving only 3.5 square metres. I have attached a copy of the original 2020 west elevation drawing with the new 2023 application superimposed on it, as you can see the new extension is considerably larger. Unfortunately, the applicant has not included a revised plan drawing so it is not possible to determine how much larger the floor area will be, but it could exceed 3.5 square metres. Please could you ascertain the increase in floor area and confirm that it is less than 3.5 square metres, if it exceeds 3.5 square metres can the application be considered as immaterial?

Perhaps my most critical comment is simply that the building is ugly and in my opinion not in keeping with the standards that the National Park's espouses. The original building was ugly but these ad hoc extensions make it positively hideous and completely out of character in the National Park, a "carbuncle" in fact. It is also evident that this project is becoming a text book example of "planning creep".

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Yours sincerely,

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Estimated drawing 2020/22/5(iii) showing proposed amendment as of June 2023.

