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**From:** Chris Martyr  
**Sent:** 05 December 2016 16:19  
**To:** Planning  
**Subject:** Fwd: NYM/2016/0817FL South Moor Farm Air Strip FAO: Dawn Paton

Dear Ms Paton, Thank you for getting in contact re; the following e-mail. My address/post code is : Mr CP Martyr, Rose Cottage, Bonfire Lane, Horsted Keynes, West Sussex. RH17 7AJ

Kindest regards, CP Martyr

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**From :**  
**Date :** 03/12/2016 - 09:48 (GMTST)  
**To :** [planning@northyorkmoors.org.uk](mailto:planning@northyorkmoors.org.uk)  
**Subject :** Re: NYM/2016/0817FL South Moor Farm Air Strip



Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing in connection with the above specified planning app. regarding the use of a small area of South Moor Farm as an airstrip. I understand that a survey of the surrounding bird and wildlife has recently been commissioned.

I feel that I may just be able to offer some guidance in this , as I also operate a small aeroplane from a grass air strip in rural Sussex named Deanland. At Deanland, we have co-existed over the years very harmoniously with the surrounding rural area and its inhabitants which include ; bees, butterflies, dragonflies plus a considerable contingent of birdlife including ; Nightingales, Barn & Tawny Owl's , Harriers, Swifts, Swallows and Martins. Also Mammals which include ; Field Mouse, the even rarer Dormouse , Shrews, Voles and Pippistrelle Bats.

The adjacent woodland, natural hedging and meadowland is maintained with minimal pesticides and intrusive control methods. The point I am trying to make is that in many cases, land which is utilised as an airfield is able to co-exist with nature more advantageously than land which is not.

I believe that a small air strip at an AONB is actually an asset, as it allows people to visit your beautiful area of Yorkshire and in many cases , small airfields have proved a useful facility for Police/Medic rescue helicopters.

May I take this opportunity in thanking you in acknowledgment of your excellent and responsible custodianship of the area which you serve and I am sure that a solution may be reached which serves as a benefit to all.

Yours faithfully, C.P. Martyr [Mr]