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Subject: Application in respect of change of land to form grass runway and construction of pilot/restroom building (revised scheme following dismissal at appeal of NYM/2015/0781/FL at South Moor Farm, Langdale End, Scarborough.



Dear Mrs Saunders

Your ref: NYM/2016/0817/FL

We wish to register our strongest objection to this further application. No matter how many times the applicant tries to succeed the fact remains that the application flies in the face of the Sandford Principle, set down at the foundation of the National Parks, and that Principle should be upheld by the NYMPA, without exception.

The fact that the applicant and his advisers quotes examples of where airfields do exist within National Parks, these are instances of where there were WWII airfields that were later adopted as airfields for private and commercial use, other than in the newest National Park (The South Downs NP) wherein Goodwood (formerly RAF West Hampnett) was already established. Should this application succeed it undoubtably sets a precedent for all other National Parks to be inundated with similar applications, spreading further contravention of the Sandford Principle. It is to be hoped that NYMPA are seeking and have achieved the support of all other National Parks in firmly resisting this application as it has become a national issue, not just a local issue.

The applicant's submission that nightjars migrate and so are not in this area all year round is simplistic and ignorant. Yes, they do migrate, but return to this country and this area to nest and breed during the summer months when any flying activity is likely to be at its highest given lighter nights and weekends. Other objectors have written giving excellent proof of their recent presence and successful local breeding as well as the same of the goshawks. Information that gives joy to those of us concerned with their protection, including National Park staff and volunteers.

We note that any support given to the application, following pleas on flying websites and forums, are from flyers not living in the area and therefore with little or no concept of the nature of the area and the damage that can be done by them. We suggest that their support is given in entirely selfish pursuit of their elitist hobby, which will add very little advantage to the economy of the area and ignores the interests of people who work and reside in the area. We also note that the applicant, and perhaps others, have been flying from the site over the past few months, we have seen a number of planes on the site and also the presence at times of a windsock. We understand this can be corroborated by NYMPA staff. While we accept that the applicant can fly for 28 days per year without having his application granted, we would like to know whether he has informed the NYMPA of the dates between which he will/has made those flights and the whole issue of monitoring is drawn into question yet again, including the assertion that any flight path will avoid flying over Bickley, which it has clearly done on more than one occasion, on one occasion we felt that deliberate circular flying above us was intended as a 'cock-a-snook' at local objectors.

We respectfully request members of the Planning Committee, who have consistently given their 100% support to the rejection of the applications, to do so again. We further request the NYMPA to reject any further application on this issue. Enough expensive time and effort of officers has been spent, as has North York Moors National Park money awarded in expenses to the applicant. Enough is enough!

Yours sincerely

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