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North York Moors National Park Authority,
The Old Vicarage,
Bondgate,
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Dear Sirs,

PLANNING APPLICATION FOR THIMBLEBY SHOOTING GROUND LODGE
REF NO. NYM/2017/0261/FL

I am writing to record my support for the new lodge at the shooting ground.

As with all businesses there comes a time where innovation is required to further improve a successful business, this time has come at Thimbleby Shooting Ground.

The position of Thimbleby Shooting Ground and the excellent access roads directly off the A19 provide an ideal possibility to extend positive investment in this rural business and secure much needed employment.

Having been involved in shooting activities in North Yorkshire for fifty years I do think this new facility will be ideal for locals and visitors to this area. Clay shooting is the first step for youngsters to join in a sport that is growing throughout the country and it would be a pity for Thimbleby to fall behind the competition for attracting further business. Having used the shooting ground over the last fifteen years it is obvious that the point has come where investment is required to make sure the shooting ground provides an excellent standard for all visitors including the disabled, and it is clear that this objective will be reached for all ages, abilities and disabilities.

The nearby village of Osmotherley also needs to attract participants in rural sport and the three pubs and other businesses rely on participants in rural pursuits.

I fully recommend that the application is approved.

Yours faithfully

Duncan Sillars F.C.M.A. F.B.I.M

