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Hambleton District Council
Planning Department
Civic Centre
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RE: Planning application for new facilities building at Thimbleby Shooting Ground NYM/2017/0261/FL

Dear Hambleton District Council:

I write to you on behalf of the British Association for Shooting and Conservation (BASC) regarding the planning application at Thimbleby Shooting Ground.

BASC whole heartedly support this planning application as we feel this development proposal fits perfectly with Hambleton district council development plan. BASC have carried out extensive research on the "Value of Shooting" to the economic, social and natural environments. Shooting in the UK is worth £2 billion to the UK economy annually and shooters spend £2.5 billion each year on goods and services.

The Thimbleby proposed development will not only be part of a significant economic boost to the local economy but will secure vital employment within this rural location. The 74,000 full-time jobs within shooting demonstrates its employment potential at locations like Thimbleby Shooting ground.

Having undertaken numerous BASC projects from the ground in recent months we congratulate the owners on their recent significant investment in the business, offering a quality service that fits within the beautiful National Park landscape. Having studied the plans, the new development would not only enhance the landscape but would also enable BASC to hold some of our courses from Thimbleby, something not possible at present due to the lack of suitable indoor space.

BASC look forward to working with Thimbleby Shooting ground in the future and helping to support this much needed local facility.

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Yours Sincerely

Duncan Thomas Northern Regional Director

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