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To: Planning

Subject: fao Hilary Saunders re NYM/2018/0094/FL Nissen Hut

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Hilary

Please find attached our objection to the above planning application.

Kind regards

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Dear Hilary

Re Letter of Objection to Application for planning by the Forestry Commission NYM/2018/0094/FL

We object to the building of a structure "Nissen Hut" in or around the village of Low Dalby in Dalby Forest.

The 1995 Environment Act sets out two purposes for the National Park Authority.

- 1. To conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the National Park
- 2. To promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of the Parks by the public.

On the first point this and many other applications by the FC are certainly not conserving or enhancing the Park. Indeed, the FC have turned this part of the National Park into more of a theme Park, akin to Flamingo land. This concrete structure will not enhance the beauty of the area and will certainly have an adverse effect on the wildlife of the area.

About the second point all these developments, Go Ape, Paint Balling etc. etc. and now a concrete structure not even sited where the originals were, are not enhancing the special qualities of the Park.

The motivation of the FC is always to increase the number of visitors to Dalby with no regard to the residents. The granting of the building of the Ellerburn Trail has by the FC own admission led to huge increase of visitor numbers in the area of Low Dalby. I would like to remind the NYMPD of Core Policy A which says.

"Providing a scale of Development and level of activity that will not have an unacceptable impact on the wider landscape or the quiet enjoyment, peace and tranquillity of the National Park, nor detract from the quality of life of residents or the experience of visitors". The granting of the Ellerburn Trail has had a massive detrimental effect on the residents and destroyed the peace and tranquillity for both residents and visitors who come to Dalby to experience the two main purposes of the National Park. This application by the FC's own admission will lead to even greater number of visitors through the village. The NYMNPA Frame work clearly states that the Authority has a duty to foster the social wellbeing of local communities. From the responses, you have received from residents, I hope you can see that we strongly believe that this application will severely affect the social wellbeing of Low Dalby village

In addition, the Policy says "Providing for Development in locations and of a scale which will support the character and function of individual settlements". Already the village of Low Dalby has been completely taken over by FC developments leading to huge volumes of visitors.

This structure is not authentic in any way and therefore does not conserve or enhance the special qualities of the Park. I refer you to Development Policy 14 "The proposal will provide opportunities for visitors to increase their awareness, understanding and enjoyment of the special qualities of the National Park in a manner that will not undermine the special qualities of the National Park or in a way that conserves and enhances the special qualities".

Under the same Policy 14, I would like to point out the following condition "The development will not generate an increased level of activity, including noise, which would be likely to detract from the experience of visitors and the quality of life of residents". Clearly and with FC own admission this will increase activity and noise to Low Dalby Village.

In terms of Policy 3, Design, this artificial, none authentic structure will not "contribute to the character and quality of the environment. Under the policy "it is not compatible with the surrounding buildings and will have an adverse effect upon the amenities of adjoining occupiers". I have personally requested planning permission to replace collapsed buildings and have only been granted permission on condition it is made from local stone and clad in vertical boarding. This structure is not compatible or authentic in any way. Also under the same policy it states "car parking provision is in line with standard adopted by the authority". The area around the village is completely full from a parking perspective and granting this will make the situation even worse.

I believe the FC are going to submit fresh plans to move the access path further away from the nearest house and close off the path that runs at the back of the houses. These fresh plans do not address the points I have made above.

The FC are most certainly trying to turn Dalby into a commercial Theme park and I believe it is the role of the National Parks Authority to stop such developments and conserve the natural beauty of one of the finest parts of the National Park. I therefore ask you to reject the application outright.

Yours sincerely

Peter & Cheryl Booth (Upper Dalby Wood)