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North York Moors National Park Authority The Old Vicarage Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP

Design and Access Statement

Re: Division/Change of Use of the Old Post Office, Whitby

Design

The current use is for a post office/gift shop on the front of the ground floor with the rest being for domestic, though it has not been lived in for many years and suffers from damp/erosion

The amount that was previously used as a residence was limited and it would appear that the front rooms have been previously rented as guest rooms.

The proposed layout will keep the existing ground floor shop at the same area and divided as to allow for some rear storage, canteen and escape on the ground floor. The first and second floor will be divided vertically in the same plain to allow access throughout the separate areas. The existing side entrance which separately serves the front rooms (proposed rentable accommodation) will be maintained.

No change in the scale is proposed or deemed necessary

The landscaping will remain the same and is primarily concrete and a retaining stone wall separating the western boundary

The external appearance will not be altered and internal finishes will be in keeping with existing walls, floors and ceilings!

Access

All existing accesses are to be retained/reused and where possible part M will be applied