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The Old Vicarage

Bondgate Helmsley York YO62 5BP Your Ref:

NYM/2011/0038/FL

Our Ref:

APP/W9500/A/11/2152611/NWF

Date:

30 August 2011

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Dear Mrs Cavanagh

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Appeal by Mr Mark Hammond Site at Ebberston Common Farm, Langdale End, Scarborough, YO13 OLW

I enclose a copy of our Inspector's decision on the above appeal.

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Yours sincerely

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Appeal Decision

Site visit made on 22 August 2011

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by R M Barker BEng(Hons) CEng MICE FCIHT

an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government

Decision date: 30 August 2011

Appeal Ref: APP/W9500/A/11/2152611 Ebberston Common Farm, Langdale End, Scarborough, YO13 OLW

- The appeal is made under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 against a refusal to grant planning permission.
- The appeal is made by Mr Mark Hammond against the decision of North York Moors National Park.
- The application Ref NYM/2011/0038/FL, dated 17 January 2011, was refused by notice dated 4 May 2011.
- The development proposed is described as *erection of two long* [sic] *cabins for holiday* use as a farm diversification initiative.

Decision

1. The appeal is dismissed.

Preliminary Matter

2. Whilst the proposed development is described in the application as *two long cabins* it is clear from other submissions and plans that it should be *two log cabins*. I have dealt with the appeal accordingly.

Main Issue

3. Whether or not the proposed development would conflict with policies that seek to conserve and enhance the landscape setting and to protect the National Park's special landscape qualities.

Reasons

- 4. The two proposed log cabins would sit in Ebberston Common Plantation somewhat remote from the cluster of farm buildings at Ebberston Common Farm. They would not appear to be linked to the cluster of farm buildings when viewed in the wider landscape.
- 5. The appeal site sits in an open landscape on the fringe of Dalby Forest to the west with vistas to north and south across relatively flat farmland. There is an element of woodland to the east of the farm; however this does not detract from the open character of the adjacent land. Whilst long distance views are dominated by principally coniferous forest, the medium and short distance panoramas are of open farmland and fields.
- 6. Ebberston Common Plantation is narrow and comprises sporadic coniferous trees which provide little cover. Many of the trees are in poor condition, several are dead and at ground level clear open views are readily available

- through the woodland. It is reported that the appellant has planted an additional 600 trees to strengthen the woodland. However at present the Plantation provides little effective cover. The proposed cabins would sit as incongruous isolated elements readily visible from the surrounding countryside.
- 7. Given all the above characteristics I am not satisfied that the proposed log cabins could be accommodated within the wider landscape without harming the National Park's special qualities. The existing woodland and the proposed three elements of additional planting, which would not comprise mature trees, would not provide a setting that could achieve this policy aim. Therefore the proposed development would conflict with the National Park's Local Development Framework Development Policy 16(1). Furthermore in view of all the above I also conclude that the proposed development would not conserve or enhance the landscape setting and would therefore run contrary to Core Policy G. Consequently I dismiss the appeal.

RM Barker

INSPECTOR

