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Charles Knowle Farm, Rushton Spencer

A good vernacular farmhouse and attached barn, standing prominently up on the bankside with Listed Building nearby. I note that quite a lot of work has already been undertaken to lower ground levels at the back with some reconstruction at the far gable end.

This is a sensitive conversion scheme but I would offer some comments:

- Farmhouse door should be a traditional, domestic door (vertically-boarded with viewing pane), not clear glass
- New pitch hole to front is acceptable
- West elevation should retain the pair of doors rather than to create a wide, glazed opening
- North elevation – a larger window has been introduced which is not shown on the plans. No objection to the new first floor window
- I'm concerned that the red edge could potentially define a large residential plot so care is needed to identify the domestic garden so that the agricultural setting of the building is not harmed
- Retention of historic boundary walls

Conditions

Joinery details -painted wood and to match historic details, agree position in the opening (well recessed)

Boundaries, hard and soft landscaping

Vents and ducts

Withdraw PD

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