

From: planningcomments@staffs Moorlands.gov.uk
To: [Planning Comments \(SMDC\)](#)
Subject: Comment Received from Public Access
Date: 10 November 2024 18:06:30

Application Reference No. : SMD/2024/0429

Site Address: Townsend Farm Bond House Lane Horton Staffordshire ST13 8PJ Leek

Comments by: Steve DawsonGovernment - UK

From:

Sneyd Arms Farm
Basford Green
Basford Green
Leek
Staffordshire
ST13 7ER

Phone:

Email:

Submission: Support

Comments: As a regular visitor to Townsend Farm, I write in support of application ref. SMD/2024/0429

The site consists of the original Townsend Farm and the fairly recently converted stone barn into a separate residence known as Longcroft Barn.

With Longcroft Barn and its associated garden and outbuildings now being separated, the location of the existing dilapidated agricultural shed is no longer appropriate in terms of access and proximity to residential uses for livestock and the functionality of Townsend Farm - hence the proposed location of Building A. The proposed location is also in a lower part of the site, so is more discrete than the building it will be replacing.

Building B is simply a replacement of another dilapidated shed that fell into disrepair by the owners father who became too old to maintain it.

This proposal is not adding additional development to the farm, it is simply replacing and relocating existing agricultural uses into more practical and accessible locations given the site is now a made up of 2 residences rather than 1.

The removal and replacement of the dilapidated buildings will improve the setting and environment for all.

The relocation of the access is associated with with the enjoyment and liveability of Townsend Farm and arguably should have been done as part of the conversion of Longcroft Barn under SMD/2012/0314.

The existing access may have been there for 100 years but times change. 100 years ago, there wouldn't have been the traffic turning out of Tollgate Road with their headlights on full beam shining directly into the front rooms of Townsend Farmhouse.

The relocation of the access takes it away from the T-junction and further away from the bad bend on Dairy House Lane, which will inevitably improve the access and egress safety for all.

Many thanks for the opportunity to support this application.

Do you really need to print out this Email? Be green - keep it on the screen.

This email is intended for the addressee(s) only and may contain sensitive, privileged or confidential information that could be protectively marked. If you are not the addressee please do not use the information in any way. If you have received this email in error please notify the sender immediately and delete it from your system. Thank you.

The Council may be required to disclose this email or any responses to it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The way in which we handle personal information is set out in our privacy notice and is available at <https://www.staffs Moorlands.gov.uk/YourData>
