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**From:** Ross Anthony  
**Sent:** 06 January 2025 17:29  
**To:** Chris Johnston  
**Subject:** RE: White Hough Barn, Ipstones SMD 2024 0106 and 0107

Hello Chris

I've had a chance to read the additional documentation submitted for this application.

I would like to highlight that the significance of the barn is not just its group value, as asserted, and suggest a more wholistic view of its significance (based on the limited information provided) for consideration in the assessment:

*Whitehough (house) is a high-status grade II\* dwelling of dressed stone with two main construction phases, the original C17 range and a C18 wing to the right. The interior appears to have been remodelled during this second phase. The farm appears to have gone through a corresponding phase of development, with the construction of the pigsty (gd II), stables (gd II) and the barn (gd II) all constructed in dressed stone and dating to the early C18 – the stables being 1724. Together with the other curtilage listed structures, they form part of a traditional historic farmstead enclosing a farmyard.*

*Despite the loss of the cross wing (also a barn?) to the north of the barn in the 1970s, the barn also has significance in its own right for the retention of its historic form and historic building fabric and the original use of the building remains clearly evident. The changes to the barn's doors and windows, and the creation of the milking parlour under the hayloft, are clear evidence of the evolving nature of agriculture and the adaptations made to suit farming technology and husbandry. The significance today therefore relates to the survival of the 18th century fabric and for being a good example of a traditional farm building. Its historic interest is representative of traditional forms of construction and farming practice which make a major contribution to England's remarkably varied landscape character and local distinctiveness and illustrating the long history of farming and settlement in the Moorlands.*

The revised statement (dated Nov 2024) notes '... it has been established that most principal timbers such as rafters, trusses and floor support beams are intact and in reasonable order. However, the floor boarding laid above is damaged beyond repair by infestation'. We accept the floorboards need replacing and assume this means that all other beams supporting the hayloft will now be retained and these beams and timbers should be clearly indicated on the plans for the avoidance of doubt.

We welcome the confirmation that lime plaster and natural insulation, etc. will be used, and we defer to the advice of your conservation officer to condition these and the other fixtures and fittings.

Regards

Ross Anthony

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**From:** Chris Johnston  
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**To:** Ross Anthony  
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**Importance:** High

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Hi Ross

You were consulted on amended plans on 19<sup>th</sup> November.

Can you please let me know when you will be providing your comments?

Thanks  
Chris

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