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Comments: I wish to put my views forward on the track access to Side Farm as I can see a lot of people are saying it's unsuitable. I have used the track many times when visiting family at Side Farm and have never once had an issue. There are public roads out in the countryside all over the UK that are similar, if not worse - it's part of what people expect out in the countryside. The track leading to Side Farm has speed bumps along it already to slow people down, and has several usable passing places. Unfortunately it seems that people in the area do not want any change, but I think this is one of the least damaging ideas that could be done down at the farm - especially given they are trying to embrace nature with the glamping site and offer this as a quiet, peaceful retreat for people to be surrounded by nature. If the farm was to be set back up as a working farm there would be a lot more traffic than a modest 4 pod glamping site will bring. Farm machinery/vehicles/equipment are also a lot larger than just the average car for guests of the glamping site. My understanding is that the owners of Side Farm have a legal right of way upon the track for all uses - which includes commercial - so I really cannot see the problem. I think the planning application is fitting for the area and will help bring more visitors to Staffordshire Moorlands.

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