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Dear Nathan

Planning statement in respect of Application 2020/0629

I have been asked to comment in respect of the above application to provide clarification on a number of matters as follows;

Previous or Current Use of the existing building

We moved into the property over 10 years ago. At the time of purchase, we were told it was a registered small holding but the registration number was never provided to us. As a result, there has been no agricultural use of the barn for a number of years. We have looked at various uses of the land as we have around 11 acres surrounding the house and outbuildings. However, the land is very poor quality as it is close to the moors behind our property and badly drained and therefore, we only walk our dogs around the fields.

Catering and Toilet Facilities

If we are successful in this application, we intend to hire temporary toilet facilities for each event and these will be delivered to site the day before the event and removed the day after. Caterers will be hired for the day and bring and remove from site their equipment on the day of the event. I can confirm there will be no storage on site of these facilities.

Car Parking

There is a large parking and turning area to the front of the property which will accommodate 30 vehicles and provide turning facilities to allow cars to park close to the venue. If there is any overflow parking necessary this can be facilitated by a parking area on the left to the top of the drive which will accommodate a further 20 vehicles. Both these areas are covered in limestone chippings and are well drained. All traffic onto the site will be marshalled to ensure that vehicles coming off the road have a right of way up the drive while anyone leaving the site will be held back until the access to the road is clear.

Yours sincerely

Philip Lofthouse