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Application Reference No.: HPK/2017/0427 Site Address: Higher Brook House Farm Brook House Drive Fairfield

Buxton Derbyshire SK17 7HW Buxton Comments by: Dr and Mrs B F Dias

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Submission: Objection

Comments: Reasons for objecting to planning permission for kennels at this location are as follows:-

1 Noise and disturbance resulting from use

Our property is situated approximately 100 metres from the proposed kennels across an open field.

The proposed structure of the kennels has an external run with a mesh construction to allow for sociability and fresh air but will also allow the easy transmission of the noise of dogs barking which cannot be controlled or prevented.

The proposed kennels has a possible maximum occupancy of 30 dogs.

Dogs separated from their owners and familiar surroundings are recognised to be more anxious and stressed which are likely to be manifested in constant pack barking and whining both during the day and night.

The kennels are to be situated adjacent to two livestock buildings holding sheep /cattle and close to the road used by farm vehicles; vehicles delivering feed; removing waste; by potential customers visiting unannounced and customers dropping off and picking up dogs.

All of which has the likely potential to stimulate dogs to bark uncontrollably, continuously and consistently.

The existing ambient noise of the environment in this area is generally quiet. The siting of a kennels in this proposed location will have a severe detrimental impact on the environment and nearby residents amenity

2 Highway Safety

Access by visitors to the kennels is to be via a small private road leading off the A6. The A6 in this area has a speed limit of 50mph.

The access road is located coming from Buxton on the left a few metres beyond a blind bend in the road. The A6 is a busy road used by a large number of vehicles particularly lorries.

In order to access the road from the A6 vehicles may need to stop on the main road just beyond the blind bend to allow vehicles to exit the access road as the road is not wide enough for vehicles to exit and enter at the same time. The potential for accidents for vehicles travelling round the blind bend at 50mph and encountering stationary vehicles will be greatly increased and such accidents have happened on this stretch of road in the past.

It is my understanding that there is another area of the farm that could potentially be used for the location of the kennels. This could be accessed further along a straight part of the A6 via a previously, partially constructed road. This siting would allow for safer access and would not have a detrimental noise impact upon the neighbours and would therefore negate any objections.