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Application Reference No. : HPK/2026/0079 Site Address: LAND ADJOINING CEMETERY HOUSE Cemetery Road
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Submission: Objection

Comments: With reference to the recently submitted planning application for land adjacent to Glossop Cemetery, Cemetery Road, Glossop, (HPK/2026/0079) I enclose a list my objections.

With respect to the planning application process, the owners of the land have undertaken building work (without planning permission in green belt land). This is presumably to avoid a lengthy and protracted planning process and to avoid scrutiny my members of the public who wish to exercise their democratic right to make representations in respect to planning issues.

Retrospective planning applications are supposed to be a way to legally avoid the planning process otherwise what is the point in having a process in the first instance. What happens if the application is rejected or planers decide on adjustments based on public consultation?

The building work that has been undertaken has created an eye sore and caused significant disruption to users of the cemetery. This has also resulted in significant issues with users accessing the cemetery due to the parking of cars and lorries associated with the building work being parked at the entrance to the cemetery which is obstructing users of the cemetery and making it difficult for mourners attending funerals at the cemetery.

This will only increase if planning permission is granted. The site is currently an eye sore and during the building work has restricted the publics right of way through the site due to areas of the site being fenced off whilst building of the stables and hard standing have been undertaken.

I wish to raise the issue of the horse riders from the stables using the cemetery as a bridal way to exercise horses and as alternative horse-riding route. The cemetery has a strict no horses by law. How will this be enforced if

planning permission is given? Horses being exercised through the cemetery will cause significant disruption to users of the cemetery and funerals being held there during normal business hours.

Stabling of horses will also affect users' ability to use the cemetery. Horses make a significant amount of noise during exercising and whilst being cleaned out. This will affect users of the cemetery. The odour that the horses create from their waste will if not disposed of adequately create further issues if not dealt with. The smell from horse waste is pungent and on warm days can travel significant distances which will affect staff and users of the cemetery.

In relation to accessing the site, the proposed access point next to the cemetery entrance is wholly unsuitable. The access to the stables is on a blind bend next to the cemetery entrance. There will be 2 entrances next to each other with limited visibility on a blind bend.

The building work that has already occurred has resulted in the removal of a significant number of hedgerows and mature trees that are / were home to a large number of local wildlife. This cannot be replaced. There is also the possibility that protected inhabitants of the area have been lost due to the building work. I note that the application did not include any environmental statements supporting the planning application or a wildlife or species study to indicate that the building work will not result in any loss of natural habitat or adversely affect local wildlife.

Based on the objections raised above I would urge the planners responsible to deciding the outcome of this planning application to reject it.

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