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Comment on Planning Application: C/44/277A Full planning permission for housing scheme to provide 5 No. open market dwellings (self build) and 4 No. affordable dwellings (or a commuted sum in lieu of on-site affordable housing provision) and, the conversion of barn to one local occupancy dwelling and creation of new access (AMENDED DESCRIPTION)

Dear Ms Wood

Friends of the Dales is disappointed to learn that it appears that the original registered provider of on-site affordable housing for this application, namely Craven District Council, is unable to progress with the site. This is particularly concerning given this element of the application has received so much attention and was the subject of a national design competition.

With the loss of the original housing provider, much needed affordable housing is now at risk. We are aware that affordable housing is often only provided as part of a larger housing scheme such as this, which can generate the support needed to subsidise such housing.

We are concerned that the opportunity to provide affordable housing on this site might now be lost. All steps should be taken to find another provider.

If the decision on this amended application is to agree a commuted sum in lieu, then we would urge this is put to towards affordable housing on another site within the Horton area so as to benefit the local community.

Yours sincerely

Signed by Wilf Fenten, Chair, Policy and Planning Committee

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