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**UPDATED Objection to Planning Application: C/29/58F New Laithe/Tenderbanks Barn,
Winterburn**

**Full planning permission for change of use of barn to form local occupancy dwelling/holiday let
and installation of black photovoltaic panels, together with installation of new package sewage
treatment plant**

Dear Ms Dinsdale

Friends of the Dales **objects to this application to convert a barn in Winterburn to residential use** as it is counter to the conservation policy of conversion of roadside barns.

The applicant's own heritage assessment describes the barn as being **"located away from settlement in a relatively outlying location"** and with an **"elevated position"**. Thus any conversion would be counter to the current policy on converting redundant farm buildings as it would introduce development into open countryside.

In addition, the barn cannot be regarded as a roadside barn despite the existence of an agricultural concrete track. This track leaves the nearest public highway approximately **1km away**.

This is a large and isolated field barn which has been much altered over time, including changes described in the applicant's heritage assessment as **"large external openings... and wholesale replacement of its roof structure"**. So it is not obvious what historic interest is to be conserved. Its conversion would not contribute to the conservation of historic interest nor to the local landscape character.

On this basis we regard the proposals as against current policy and should be refused.

Yours sincerely

Interim Chair, Policy and Planning Committee

On behalf of Friends of the Dales

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