

Katherine Wood [via email]

Planning Team

Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority

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**Comment on Planning Application: C/09/27B Strid Wood Car Park Bolton Abbey  
Full planning permission for Introduction of Automatic Number Plate Recognition system (ANPR)  
and enhancements to existing car park**

Dear Ms Wood

Friends of the Dales notes that this application is for improvements to an existing car park serving Bolton Abbey including introduction of an automated digital process for collecting car park fees and landscaping.

Should YDNPA be minded to approve this application we would expect the Authority to engage with the owners Chatsworth Estate to require them to explore ways in which alternatives to private car travel could be supported as demand for car parking often outstrips the capacity available.

Given the Transport Statement and Carbon Reduction Plan are committing the Authority to achieve more sustainable transport this presents an opportunity to seek support for improving public transport.

Chair, Policy and Planning Committee  
On behalf of Friends of the Dales

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