

Joanne Wood [via email]

Planning

Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority

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Objection to Planning Application: C/55/51A Field to west of High Stable, Malham Tarn House

Full planning permission for change of use of land and building to provide a 10-pitch campsite for use by the Scout Association and other organised youth groups (60 days per year) and associated development including erection of a lean-to wash stand

Dear Ms Wood

Friends of the Dales wishes to **object** to this proposal to provide a 10-pitch campsite within the highly sensitive landscapes around Tarn House and Malham Tarn.

We very much support the principle of bringing young people into the heart of the national park, with all the benefits of increasing understanding, enjoyment and well being.

Unfortunately without proper investigation of the impact on the wider highly sensitive and protected landscape, including a full Habitat Regulations Assessment, there is no proper basis to assess this application and determine what mitigation will be necessary if the proposal is approved.

These concerns have been raised by others including the YDNPA Ecologist and National England, a statutory consultee. We respectfully suggest there is an opportunity for interested parties to work together on this.

Yours sincerely

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

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