

**RIMINGTON AND MIDDOP
PARISH COUNCIL**

2 Carr's Croft
Rimington
BB7 4EN
28 03 2016

The Planning Department
Ribbles Valley Borough Council
Re Planning Application 3/2106/0216

Dear Sir/ Madam

The above Council wishes to register objections to the above application as follows

1 The applicant does not own whole length of the access track. Little Dudlands farm which has alleged right of way for farm traffic. The proposed change of use of the farm house and the new owners proposed non use of the farm buildings does not mean there will be a reduction in farm traffic. Indeed common sense suggests that as this farm is some distance from his current property there is likely to be an increase in traffic as he frequently visits the farm. The Council cannot see how it will reduce traffic which currently visits the farm for farming purposes. The farmer also uses a slurry spreader which does not currently visit the farm but could be expected to in the future.

It is the Council's understanding that the owners of a right of way have to be consulted and approve of any change of use. The new owner of Little Dudlands has taken it for granted that he will be able to change the use of track without reference to its owners who the Council understands are very concerned at this change of use.

2. This track joins the Lane near Rimington Bridge. Lorries with their higher cabs have better views at this junction than cars, which makes the junction unsuitable for increased domestic traffic.

3. The track is part of a public bridleway and the Council wonders if the County Council has been consulted on its views of the proposed change of the lower part of the track

The Council have seen, and are in agreement with, the views in the document submitted by the owners of Bridge End Farm. They trust you will give them you serious consideration

Yours faithfully

Clerk To the Council