

Harriet McCartney

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To: Harriet McCartney
Subject: FW: Holden Clough nursery

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 22 September 2020 21:48
To: Planning <planning@ribblevalley.gov.uk>
Subject: Holden Clough nursery

Dear Sir or Madam,

We wish to raise an objection to planning application 3/2020/0602.

As Holden residents living 100 metres from the site we are concerned that the scale of this proposal will adversely impact us. In particular our concerns are increased traffic on an already congested lane, increased noise and loss of visual amenity in an AONB.

When the owner of the site presented his last planning application , to increase the size of his car park, he assured us at public meetings that he wanted to go ‘back to his roots’ and focus on raising plants for sale. This was presented as a low impact business which could be accommodated in the small hamlet of Holden. Now we are presented with a plan for a huge new cafe structure with the excuse of Covid distancing supposedly making it all necessary. In fact we foresee a large increase in dining covers in the longer term if the cafe extension is allowed. Indeed it is likely that by the time the proposed building is ready, if permitted, the virus will have ceased to be a major factor. It is time for Ribble Valley planning to stand up for the residents of Holden and say to the applicant that the site is already developed beyond what is reasonable for a tiny hamlet in an AONB served by single track roads and that no further development is permissible.

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