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Will Hopcroft

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Dear Will Hopcroft

Planning consultation: - AMENDMENT HRA AND AQ REPORT - Erection of dairy cattle building with underground slurry tanks, associated hard standing & solar panels, removal of redundant slurry store & erection of two concrete slurry tanks with canopies. Location: Black Moss Farm Elmridge Lane Chipping PR3 2NY

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated and received by Natural England 15 September 2023.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

SUMMARY OF NATURAL ENGLAND'S ADVICE

NO OBJECTION

Based on the plans submitted, Natural England considers that the proposed development will not have significant adverse impacts on designated sites and has no objection.

Natural England's further advice on designated sites/landscapes and advice on other natural environment issues is set out below.

European sites – Bowland Fells Special Protection Area

Natural England notes that the Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) has not been produced by your authority, but by the applicant. As competent authority, it is your responsibility to produce the HRA and be accountable for its conclusions. We provide the advice enclosed on the assumption that your authority intends to adopt this HRA to fulfil your duty as competent authority.

Based on the information provided in the HRA produced by Envirotech (Report reference 8430), Natural England considers that the proposed development will not have likely significant effects on the Bowland Fells Special Protection Area and has no objection to the proposed development.

Bowland Fells Site of Special Scientific Interest

Based on the plans submitted, Natural England considers that the proposed development will not damage or destroy the interest features for which the site has been notified and has no objection.

Should the proposal change, please consult us again.

If you have any queries relating to the advice in this letter, or any additional information or consultation requests, please contact <u>consultations@naturalengland.org.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely

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