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FAO Mr Ben Taylor

Dear Sir

Bolton by Bowland Gisburn Forest & Sawley Parish Council still wishes to express its concerns over the above application.

Whilst the Council wishes to support local business employing local people, it is our opinion that the pet crematorium does not meet policy DMG1 of the RVBC Core Strategy .

The applicant has previously shown a disregard in obtaining permissions and ignored previous enforcement issues which unfortunately has developed a lack of trust in the site being managed in accordance with the new application. Whilst the application provides results of the submitted odour assessment on two small animals seems reasonable, in practise when the site is in full operation, residents experience unpleasant odour and smoke.

The Parish Council would like to see restrictions or limitations placed upon the number of vehicular journeys to the site on a daily basis as well as restrictions on the hours permitted for use of the cremators.

The applicant refers to ongoing concerns of vexatious behaviour which they believe constitutes intimidating activity from local residents towards them. Following the first application, one of our Parish Councillors has received three incidents of intimidating behaviour which have also been reported and logged with the police.

Clearly there is an issue of trust and a lack of goodwill from the applicant towards local residents. In our opinion the applicant needs to redress this situation if they wish to engender community support for the site.

Yours faithfully

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