

Dear Laura

I would like to register an objection to the planning application **3/2021/0188** for the proposed dog training facility on Slaidburn road. Please find below the list of reasons for my objection.

1. There are concerns, as highlighted in the environmental report for the application that there may be issues with noise encroaching on neighbouring properties. There is speculation that the dog training facility will specialise in the training of gun dogs which requires by its nature the use of simulated shotgun noise. This has negative effects for local livestock and for nearby residents. As well as this the dog barking could also be unsettling for the locality.
2. The site is surrounded on most sides by livestock including sheep, horses and game. It's not clear how the dogs will be supervised 24/7 and should there be a security breach there is a danger that the dogs may cause harm to sheep. On top of this there is a nearby game (Pheasants) business which may be affected by the noise. With horse riders using the track near the site there is no plan to reduce risk from startling the horses and causing injury to riders.
3. There are errors/inaccuracies in the application.
 - i. The office plan suggests at least five staff however the parking plan only accommodates 2 cars.
 - ii. The application states that there is no watercourse within 20metres. This is not true. Above the site there is a drinking water reservoir and from this reservoir there is an overflow/run off which flows into the nearby stream that continues to flow through Waddington village. This is all within 20metres of the proposed area.
 - iii. There is no plan at all offered for the removal of dog waste from the site.
4. The application does not address issues with access to the site. The current proposed access requires permission from a neighbouring landowner and exits onto a main road with severely limited visibility. Whilst the risk has previously been controlled by a low traffic volume to the site, the increase in traffic volume from a business pose a danger because of the entrance to Slaidburn Road being on a blind bend.

