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Dear Mr Parks,

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I am writing with reference to the above planning application for a MSA on land close to the village of Kirby Hill and very close to the village of Skelton.

Although I am fairly new to the Village, I moved there to enjoy the peace of the countryside, only to find after several months that this huge Service Area is proposed on lovely farmland near one of the main access roads to the village.

As well as being hugely disappointed at this proposal for personal reasons, I simply cannot understand the logic of such a plan.

There are currently MSAs at Leeming Bar to the North and Wetherby to the South both within a relatively short distance from Kirby Hill, does this therefore make economic sense never mind the catastrophic effect on the Environment, Wildlife, Local Services & Facilities, not to mention the devastating effect on the lives of local residents.

This proposal will bring every type of pollution along with it including :-

- Noise pollution
- Light pollution
- Pollution from car and lorry exhausts
- General dirt and litter

It would also mean the loss of a substantial amount of prime productive farm land.

We have recently seen the construction of the Incinerator plant at Allerton Park which has already detracted from the natural beauty of the area but to see such a development go forward as is proposed at Kirby Hill would I believe be totally disastrous for the area and surely could not be a matter of pride for Harrogate Borough Council.

I would beseech you to reject this planning application for good of the area and the local population as well as for the pride that the people of North Yorkshire have in their countryside.

Also for the basic reason that it is clearly not required as the area is already serviced adequately already.

Thank you for your time in considering my objections.

Yours sincerely,



Barry Schofield CEng, MIGEM