

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to support the proposal for planning to develop the final unit in the row at Ripon Hall Farm, Catterall Lane. As a company, we have taken on Units 11-12 in July 2021, allowing us to expand our business considerably. In September 2021, our sister company took on Units 9-10, making our company operations easier as they were on site. In October 2022, we took on Units 13-14 for storage space, and we have spoken to the landlord Mr John Hitchen as we would be interested in occupying the final unit in the line to allow us to bring the final piece of the company under the same "roof" and location, allowing us to continue progressing forwards. We believe this would cause less traffic down the lane as our own vans would no longer need to travel between our depot here and Preston for collecting materials, as they would be based on site, so this development would not impact upon the amount of traffic to the area.

In addition to this, the expansion may allow us to further develop our services and provide local jobs, in an ideal location as the units are on a popular bus route. We are actively supporting local businesses not only by providing services, but using local businesses for our own purchasing, so hope that this will be taken into consideration when the planning is discussed. We do not feel there will be any additional issues that this development would cause as it would be our company wanting to take on the unit.

Kind Regards,