

Application Number: 20/00698/FUL

Address: Land At Cold Law Kirkwhelpington Northumberland

Proposal: Construction of a publicly accessible landmark, commissioned to commemorate Queen Elizabeth II and the Commonwealth.

Case Officer: Mr Gordon Halliday (email: planningcomments@northumberland.gov.uk)

Customer Details

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Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons: The proposed structure is totally out of keeping with the wild and beautiful nature of the Cold Law site. The enormous scale and industrial appearance of the structure would dominate the landscape and ruin the special nature of the Wannies, which attract many tourists every year who come here to enjoy the wild beauty of the area. This application is not substantially different from the previous one , which was quite correctly turned down by the council planning committee . The applicant's appeal against that decision is currently being considered by the planning inspector. I strongly believe that this structure would be of no benefit whatever to the area. On the contrary, it would deter tourism and damage the local economy as well as spoiling the landscape with a huge eyesore. This is the view of the

great majority of people in the area; a fact proved by a recent poll in the Hexham Courant which showed that 86% of local people were against the monument. The applicant claims that the proposed structure is a monument to the Queen but I do not believe that her majesty has approved it and I'm sure there are many much better ways of honouring her majesty than this.