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Dear Chris,

## APPLICATION NO: 23/01099/FUL DESCRIPTION: Change of use and associated work to create secure dog field with access and parking (Resubmission of 22/02957/FUL). LOCATION: Parcel 2881, Queens Road, North Stoke, Bath

Thank you for consulting the Cotswolds National Landscape Board<sup>1</sup> ('the Board') on this proposed development, which would be located within the Cotswolds National Landscape<sup>2</sup>.

In reaching its planning decision, the local planning authority (LPA) has a statutory duty to have regard to the purpose of conserving and enhancing the natural beauty of the National Landscape.<sup>3</sup> The Board recommends that, in fulfilling this 'duty of regard', the LPA should: (i) ensure that planning decisions are consistent with relevant national and local planning policy and guidance; and (ii) take into account the following Board publications<sup>4</sup>:

- Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Management Plan 2023-2025 (link);
- Cotswolds AONB Landscape Character Assessment (<u>link</u>) particularly, in this instance, with regards to Landscape Character Type (LCT) 2 (Escarpment);
- Cotswolds AONB Landscape Strategy and Guidelines (<u>link</u>) particularly, in this instance, with regards to LCT 2 (<u>link</u>);
- Cotswolds AONB Local Distinctiveness and Landscape Change (link);
- Cotswolds Conservation Board Position Statements (<u>link</u>), particularly, in this instance, with regards to the Tranquillity Position Statement (<u>link</u>).

## **Cotswolds Conservation Board**

The Old Prison, Fosse Way, Northleach Gloucestershire GL54 3JH 01451 862000 info@cotswoldsaonb.org.uk The Cotswolds National Landscape is a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), managed and looked after by the Cotswolds Conservation Board.

## cotswoldsaonb.org.uk

Chairman: Brendan McCarthy

Vice Chair: Rebecca Charley Whilst the Board requests that the Council closely considers the potential impact of increased noise (dog barking) from the proposal both on the tranquillity of the area and on nearby agricultural operations and also notes the objection to the proposal from the Council's Highways Team, we will not be providing a more comprehensive response on this occasion. This does not imply either support for, or an objection to, the proposed development.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss this response.

Yours sincerely,

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## NOTES:

- Cotswolds National Landscape is the new name for the Cotswolds Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). The new name takes forward one of the proposals of the Government-commissioned 'Landscapes Review' to rename AONBs as 'National Landscapes'. This change reflects the national importance of AONBs and the fact that they are safeguarded, in the national interest, for nature, people, business and culture.
- 2) The name used for the organisation associated with the AONB designation is the Cotswolds National Landscape Board. At times this is abbreviated to National Landscape Board or The Board. The legal name of the organisation remains the Cotswolds Conservation Board but this name is no longer used in most circumstances.
- 3) Section 85 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000. www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/37/section/85
- 4) The documents referred to in our response can be located on the Cotswolds National Landscape website under the following sections
  - a. Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Management Plan 2023-2025 www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/management-plan
  - b. Cotswolds AONB Landscape Character Assessment www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/lca
  - c. Cotswolds AONB Landscape Strategy and Guidelines www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/lsg
  - d. Cotswolds AONB Local Distinctiveness and Landscape Change www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/ldlc
  - e. Cotswolds Conservation Board Position Statements www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/ps1 www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/ps2