MATTER WHICH THE SUB-COMMITTEE DEALT WITH UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

11/07 - PLANNING APPLICATION REFERRED TO SUB-COMMITTEE FOR DETERMINATION: The Sub-Committee considered an application made by Mr L Wilson for the siting of one static caravan for use as a dwelling (site area 0.01 ha) at land comprising OS field no. 6145, 7444, part 8600 and 0054, Bickerton, Wetherby, application no. 6.142.135.A.FUL, which had been referred up from the Planning Committee at its meeting held on 24 October 2006. The Sub-Committee made a decision indicated viz:

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DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

11/07 (01) CASE NUMBER: 06/04255/FUL GRID REF: EAST 443864 NORTH 450461

APPLICATION NO.: 6.142.135.A.FUL

LOCATION:

Land Comprising OS Field Nos 6145, 7444 Part 8600 And 0054 Bickerton Wetherby North Yorkshire

PROPOSAL:

Siting of 1 static caravan for use as dwelling (Site Area 0.01ha).

APPLICANT: Mr L Wilson

REFUSED. Reason(s) for refusal:-

- The Local Planning Authority do not consider there is special justification for a residential caravan for an agricultural worker in the proposed location. As a result the proposal relates to new residential development in the countryside in an unsustainable location that is not justified in agricultural terms and would be contrary to North Yorkshire County Structure Plan Policy H5 and Harrogate District Local Plan Policy H7 and the aims of PPS7 Sustainable Development in Rural Areas.
- The caravan would constitute a visual intrusion into the open countryside in an exposed location, and as such would be harmful to the visual appearance of this historic landscape contrary to the provisions of Policies C2 and C15 of the adopted Harrogate District Local Plan, and the aims of PPS7 Sustainable Development in Rural Areas.

(Mr Wilson (applicant) and Mr Bartle (applicant's agent) attended the meeting and spoke to the item under the Council's Opportunity to Speak Scheme).

(Nine Members voted for the motion, one voted against and there was one abstention).