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North Yorkshire County Council  
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GEH	23	See note concerning Article 4 direction re Castle Bolton.
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The Chief Executive and Clerk of the  
 County Council  
 North Yorkshire County Council  
 County Hall  
 NORTHALLERTON  
 North Yorkshire  
 DL7 8AD

Your reference  
 MW/CAE  
 Our reference  
 YH/5069/19/2P  
 Date  
 22 February

Sir *NOTE DECISION LETTER REGARDING EXTENT OF ORDER.*  
 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1971  
 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING GENERAL DEVELOPMENT ORDERS 1977-1981  
 DIRECTION UNDER ARTICLE 4 - LAND AT CASTLE BOLTON, NORTH YORKSHIRE

- I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Environment to refer to your letter of 6 February 1984 enclosing the above mentioned direction for consideration.
- The Secretary of State notes that, following refusal of planning permission for a farm building of approximately 500 square metres floor area, the land owner indicated his intention to proceed with the construction of a smaller building which would fall within the GDO permitted development limits: The Council made the direction in order to bring under planning control such development, the proposed size of which they nevertheless considered would be likely to severely and adversely affect the character, appearance and setting of Bolton Castle.
- The Council's reasons for making the direction have been considered and an officer of the Department has visited the site, which is in use at present mainly as agricultural pasture land, sloping away to the south and containing a few small scattered agricultural buildings. The site is split into 3 blocks, with the main area lying immediately to the south-east of Bolton Castle. Two smaller areas lie to the north-east and to the south but not immediately adjacent to the Castle. The Castle, which forms a focal point for the village street from the east, is a large and dominant building on the northern slopes of Wensleydale and is readily visible from the main road, A684, along the southern side of the dale and from other minor roads and public footpaths in the area. Buildings in the village are predominantly small 2-storey stone built cottages which are dwarfed in scale by the Castle and do not compete with it in the landscape. The ridge height of the proposed unit in the owner's preferred location close to the south-eastern corner of the Castle would be below the level of adjoining buildings in the village when viewed from the south, but would still be seen as one of the "tallest" buildings in the village.
- The Secretary of State considers that, because of its importance as a scheduled ancient monument and a Grade I listed building lying within a national park, Bolton Castle and its setting are worthy of special consideration. A dairy unit of the proposed size and in the proposed location would, in his view, significantly intrude into the immediate foreground when viewing the Castle from the south and south-east and be a serious threat to amenity. Although the impact of such a unit would lessen, the further away from the Castle it was sited, he considers that a poorly designed unit could detract from the setting of the Castle even at a considerable distance. In considering whether to approve an Article 4 direction to restrict agricultural development, however, the Secretary of State must have regard to the interests of good farming. In

In this case, he takes the view that it would be too restrictive to seek to control farm buildings on all the land included in the direction, particularly when no evidence has been provided that the landowner is not willing to negotiate with the Council a more acceptable design and location for the unit.

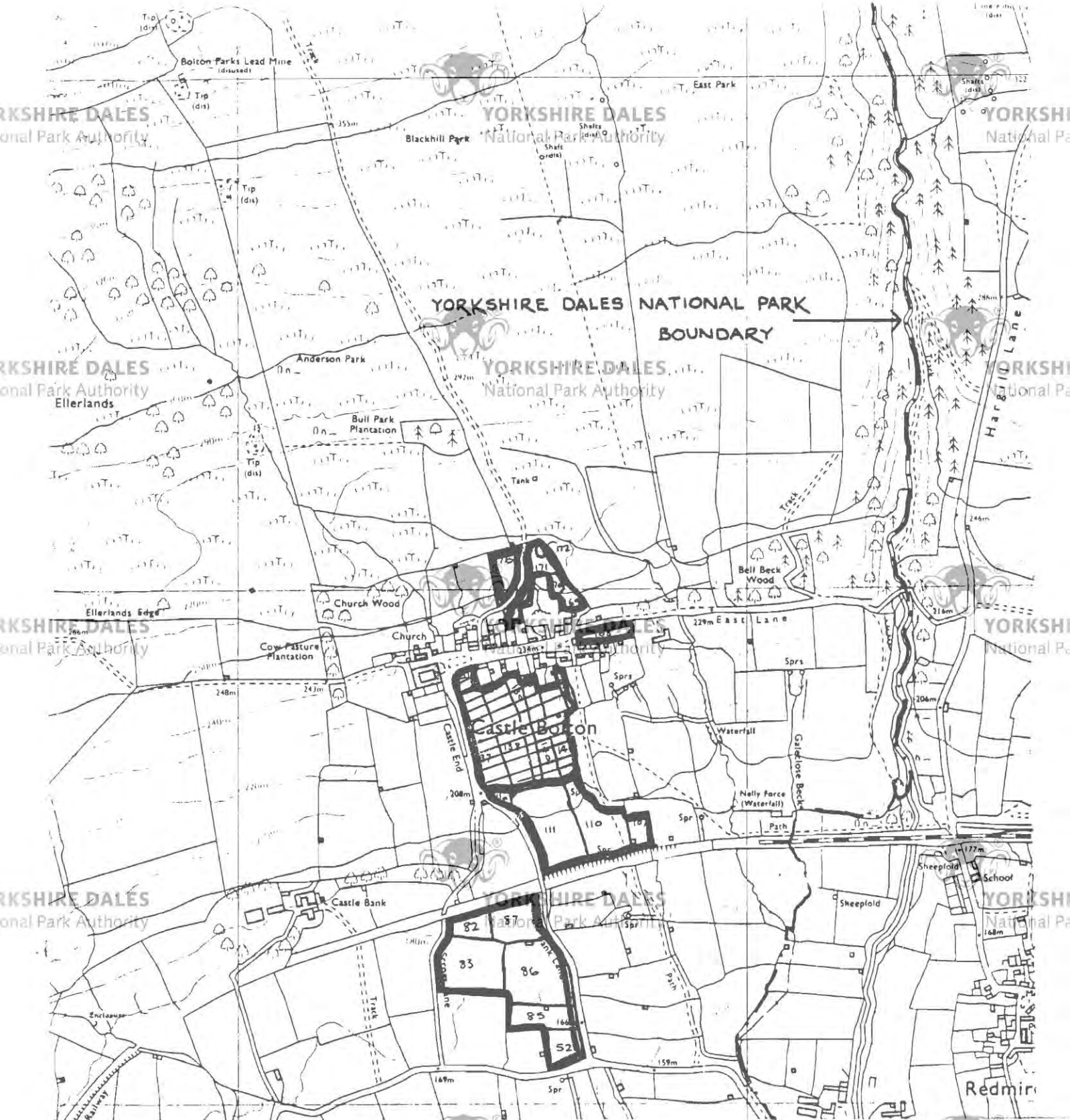
5. Therefore, for the reasons given the Secretary of State has decided to approve the direction subject to a modification to exclude plots OS Nos. 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 174, 176, 107, 110, 111, 111a, 52, 82, 83, 85, 86 and 87 shown on the plan attached to the direction.

I am Sir  
Your obedient servant

REDACTED BY YDNPA

L KEATES  
Authorised by the Secretary of State  
to sign in that behalf

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NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
 YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK COMMITTEE  
 Direction under Article 4 of the Town & Country Planning General Development Order 1977

Land at Castle Bolton

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*//// - Area covered by approved order*

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COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF NORTH YORKSHIRE

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1971

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING GENERAL DEVELOPMENT ORDER 1977

ARTICLE 4 DIRECTION

THE COUNTY OF THE COUNCIL OF NORTH YORKSHIRE (CASTLE BOLTON  
NO. 1) DIRECTION 1984

W H E R E A S :-

The Council of the County of North Yorkshire (hereinafter called "the Council") being the Local Planning Authority for the said County are satisfied that it is expedient that no development in the Class set out in the First Schedule hereto (hereinafter called "the said Class") should be carried out in the areas described in the Second Schedule hereto and more particularly shown edged red on the plan attached hereto (hereinafter called "the said areas") unless permission therefor is granted on application in that behalf

NOW THEREFORE the Council in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning General Development Order 1977 as amended (hereinafter called "the said Order") do hereby direct that the permission granted by Article 3 of the said Order shall not apply to any development of the said Class in the said areas

FIRST SCHEDULE

Class of Development

Development within Class VI(1) of the Schedule to the said Order that is the carrying out on agricultural land having an area of more than 1 acre and comprised in an agricultural unit of building or engineering operations requisite for the use of that land for the purposes of agriculture

SECOND SCHEDULE

ALL THOSE areas of land shown edged red on the plan annexed hereto situate at Castle Bolton in the County of North Yorkshire

DATED this

6<sup>th</sup>

day of February 1984

THE COMMON SEAL OF THE COUNCIL  
OF THE COUNTY OF NORTH YORKSHIRE  
was hereunto affixed in the  
presence of:-

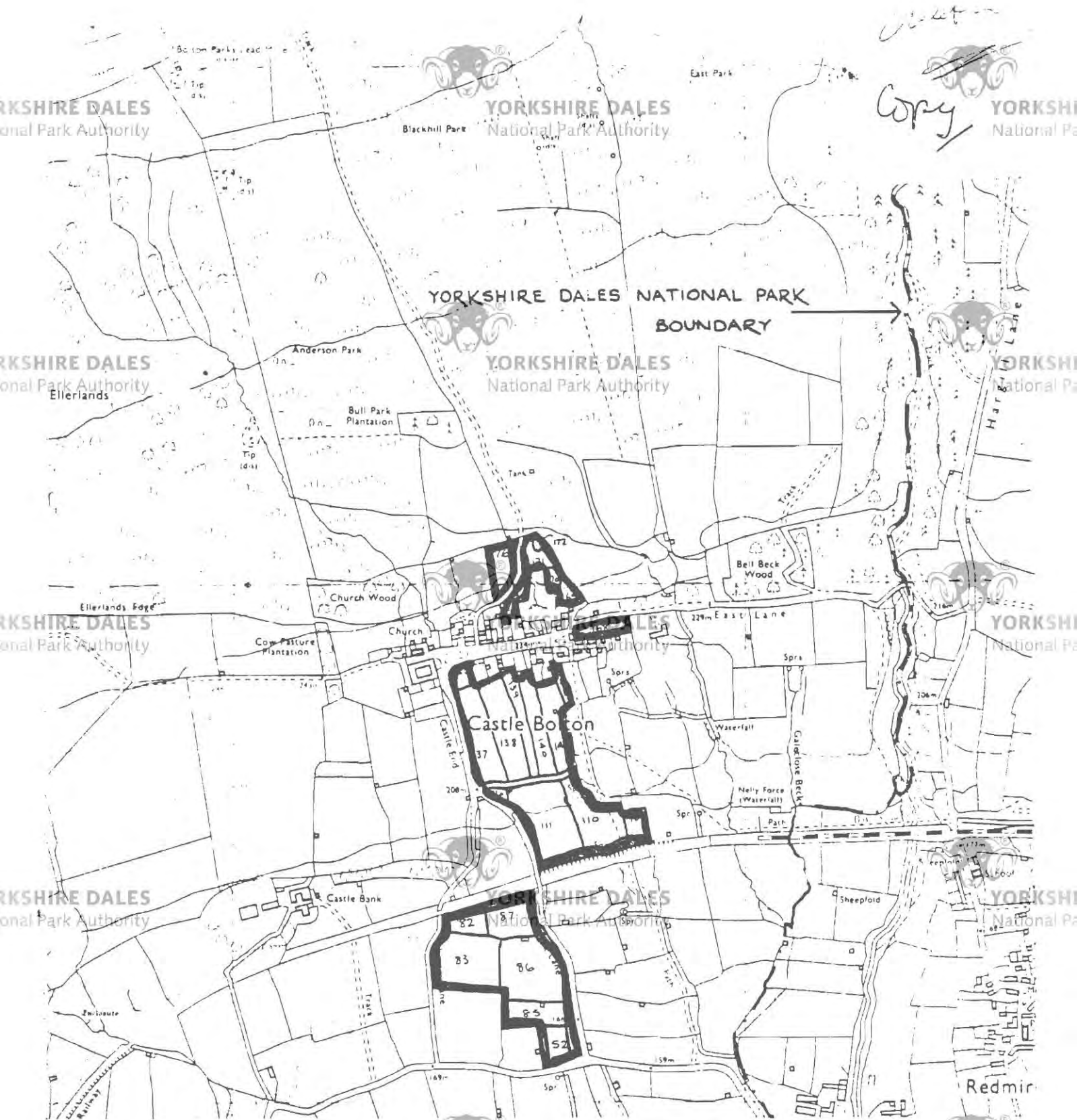
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Senior Deputy Clerk and Solicitor  
to the County Council

NOTE AREA OF ORDER  
— ATTENDED BY SCS  
letter dated 22/02/84

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NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
 YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK COMMITTEE  
 Direction under Article 4 of the Town & Country Planning General Development Order 1977

Land at Castle Bolton

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*AREA OF ORDER*

*ANNEX 8 - SEE S.O.S DECISION LETTER 220284*

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