

<b>Agenda item no.</b>	8.
<b>Report to</b>	Burwash Parish Council (BPC)
<b>Subject</b>	Rye Green Farm Buildings
<b>From</b>	The Clerk

### Summary

A local resident has raised an issue of concern following a dell and buildings within it. Below is a summary of their request from correspondence the Clerk has received.

### Item One

The National Trust own the farm buildings near Rye Green Farm and the buildings have become a dangerous on a significant footpath in the AONB. It is alleged that the site has asbestos and over 40 or more years the site has not been touched.

There has been a large sum of money recently spent to divert the stream which was washing away the foundations of the brick barn.

Residents came to the Planning Meeting on the 23/01/19 as they are concerned about the footpath which is regularly used by walkers. There are two buildings on part of the walk which are now owned by the National Trust which have been neglected. A resident has offered to pay for the removal of the buildings at a cost of £28k but was only offered a 20 year lease which would have been non-transferable. The resident has asked for consultation on any intended plans and Councillors to ask to be involved and raise the issue of the state of disrepair this small dell is now in.

One workman was reported to have said that the National Trust intend to convert the buildings into a holiday let. The resident has written to them asking for their plans and they replied:

**“ Rye Green Farm Buildings –** Thank you for your email dated 10 January regarding the future use farm buildings on the Batemans estate. Although we have recently taken steps to stabilize the barn, at present we do not have any committed plans for the future of the building. Should any development of the barn be considered in the future, we would of course seek appropriate planning consents. Please be assured that any scheme would in no way impede access to the footpath.”

### Resolution(s)

Councillors have been asked to resolve the following:

1. To engage with the National Trust about the potential plans of the site and ask that any plans are consulted with residents and the Parish Council.
2. To discuss the issue of disrepair of the buildings/area are in with the National Trust.