

Email from a North Rigton parishioner regarding the bus situation at Spring House Farm and its impact on Brackenthwaite Lane.

*“Firstly, a big thank you to all those of you who took the time to let our Parish Council know of your concerns about the arrival of the bus depot/operating centre at Spring House Farm in August and the subsequent “abuse” of our Lane.*

*The Council was overwhelmed with your response.*

*On behalf of our Community they objected and alerted the Planning Enforcement team at Harrogate Borough Council. A site meeting was held with the owners and as you may well be aware temporary permission to use the land at Spring House Farm as an operating centre was granted despite our objections.*

*However, there was no end date agreed to the consent so our Parish Council has replied and asked for one to be set.*

*We await the borough council’s response.*

*In addition, the Parish Council contacted the Coach Company’s licencing authority in Leeds for clarification over the conditions necessary for the use of land as an operating centre. There was nothing found untoward there.*

*So, we appear to be stuck with the buses for a bit longer.*

*Once we hear back from the Enforcement team at HBC we will update you again.*

*Thanks to the Parish Council for the work they have done and continue to do on our behalf.*

*If you have any further thoughts and/or suggestions as to what could/should be done please, please let them know.*

*We are an amazingly diverse and talented community and it has been a revelation to learn from those of you who have such a wealth of knowledge and experience.”*