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To whom it may concern

Appeal Reference:	25/00018/ENF	Appeal By: Hampsey Limited
Appeal Description:	Appeal against enforcement notice issued for the engineering development consisting of land level changes and creation of hardstanding areas	
Site Address	Hampsey Ltd, Long Lane, Quernmore, Lancashire,	
Inspectorate Ref:	APP/A2335/C/25/3366959	

An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State on 16.06.2025, against an Enforcement Notice issued by Lancaster City Council, in respect of the above site. The appeal is made under Section 174 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 against enforcement action taken by the Council. This appeal will be decided by Written Representations. The procedure to be followed is set out in the Town and Country Planning (Enforcement) (Written Representations Procedure) (England) Regulations 2002

Grounds of Appeal

The appeal will proceed on ground A (that planning permission should be granted for what is alleged in the notice), ground C (that there has not been a breach of planning control) and ground F (the steps required to comply with the requirements of the notice are excessive and lesser steps would overcome the objections)

The reasons for issuing the notice are as follows:

- It appears to the Council that the above breach of planning control has occurred within the last four years.
- The unauthorised engineering works, consisting of considerable land level alterations and laying of concrete, by virtue of scale, siting and prominent location within the Forest of Bowland National Landscape and open countryside. The works are considered to represent a discordant and alien form that has jarred with and has caused harm to the character and appearance of the surrounding designated landscape and wider open landscape. Therefore, given that the site currently does not benefit from planning permission, the engineering operations that has been undertaken is unauthorised and causes harm for the reasons set out immediately above. The works fail to comply with Policies DM29, DM46 of the Development Management DPD, Policies EN2 and EN3 of the Strategic Policies and Land Allocations and Sections 12 and 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

If you wish to make comments, you can do so online at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/> by **28 July 2025**.. If you do not have access to the internet, you can send your comments to:

The Planning Inspectorate
Temple Quay House
2 The Square
Bristol
BS1 6PN.

Any representations submitted after the deadline will not usually be considered and will be returned. The Planning Inspectorate does not acknowledge representations. All representations must quote the inspectorate reference.

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If you submit comments and then subsequently wish to withdraw them, you should make this request to the Planning Inspectorate by the date above.

You can get a copy of one of the Planning Inspectorate's "Guide to taking part in enforcement appeals" booklets free of charge from GOV.UK at <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/taking-part-in-a-planning-listed-building-or-enforcement-appeal>.

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