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We think these sites are completely unsuitable for development for the following reasons:

- These two fields form part of the breeding ground of a pair of breeding curlew, a species in major decline.
- Part of the site falls within the Ampleforth Conservation Area, the rest adjoins it. The site is on land with an established agricultural use and with an important visual impact.
- Development of this part of Knoll Hill would spoil the rural setting of this historic settlement nestling at the foot of the hills. Development here would not reflect the traditional character and appearance of the settlement in terms of its relationship to the street or nearby buildings.
- Leaving the Village to the west, it is the rural character of permanent pasture and trees (that make up this proposed site) that provides the context of the mainly 18th and 19th Century linear settlement of the Ampleforth Conservation Area.
- The reasons given by the Inspector in 1987 for the refusal, on appeal, of a proposed development of this site, still hold true today and resonate even more since the creation of The Howardian Hills AONB within which the proposed sites stand.

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