

## **HOLBROOK PARISH COUNCIL**

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Dear Sirs,

**Re: Highfields Farm, Moorside Lane, Holbrook.**

The Parish of Holbrook has been sent an open letter from a member of the Parish who is most concerned about the state of Highfields Farm.

Highfields Farm is one of the oldest buildings in the Parish and is a Grade II listed building.

This letter is one of many concerns which have been raised over the years about the state of Highfields Farm. The Parish Council has raised concerns about the deterioration of the property many times and we again are contacting you again to ask for support in ensuring the building is not left any longer.

By coincidence there was an article in the Derby Evening Telegraph of 26<sup>th</sup> August about the Belper Mills which included a comment that the owners of historical structures had a duty to maintain them.

We ask that you make contact with the Strutt Estate and seek to work with them to make use of the building. The Parish Council are aware that the Borough Council is looking to work with building and land owners to regenerate such buildings and we feel the time has long passed that this should have been done.

There are genuine concerns that if the building continues to be left as is, then issues will arise with the safety of the structure.

We thank you in advance for your assistance.

Yours Faithfully,

Hannah Owen  
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Holbrook Parish Council