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Dear Julia,

Planning consultation: 17/01145/LBC and 17/01146/FUL - Refurbishment of lighthouse, demolition and extensions to visitor centre, and renewal of causeway at St Marys Island

Please accept our response on the revised proposals for St Mary's, following our response to the original proposals on 12.9.17. We can confirm we do not object to the revised proposals (subject to the provision of the mitigation detailed), welcoming the additional detail provided including site monitoring with appropriate analysis and site operator response.

We would still strongly urge the applicant to ensure mitigation:

- a) Formally monitors, records and respond to bird and seal disturbance events on the rocky shore to the east of the lighthouse (using a protocol that should be described in the visitor management plan).
- b) Assesses of the potential impacts of the causeway redesign on adjacent interest features of the Coquet to St Mary's Marine Conservation Zone and the created boulder habitat adjacent to the causeway.

If you have any queries on the above, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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