Application for prior approval for a Machinery Store

1.0 - Introduction

The following document outlines plans to erect a 120ft x 40ft x 14ft (36m x 12m x 4m) agricultural machinery store for use as part of the expanding farming business, A. Sadowski & Sons. The agricultural holding (business) farms over 5ha as stipulated by Class A of Part 6 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015.

2.0 - Site Location;

Shed: 52°56’50”N, 2°51’56"W

Entrance: 52°56’53”N, 2°51'51"W

2.1 - Classification of the closest road

Classification: C Road - over 25 meters from road (**USRN:** 46900342)

3.0 - Description of proposed building

The proposed structure measures 120ft x 40ft x 16ft (36m x 12m x 4m) and will be used to store agricultural equipment used within the farming business. The shed is to be made from a No.6 x 20ft bay, which is are steel frame with a pitched roof. The roof material is grey profile 6 fibre cement corrugated sheets. The sides are to be fully clad top to bottom with Juniper Green box profile to blend in with the general countryside and match existing farm sheds on the site. The building is to have No.2 x 6m roller shutter doors on each end for security and access.

The proposed shed DOES NOT require an electrical or water connection.

3.1 - Why is it needed for the farming business?

Due to expansion within the farming business, there isn’t sufficient covered and secure storage at the main farm site for all machinery. The increase in rural crime has meant the client is having to store the higher value machinery at this location since it is overlooked from their residential home. The main farm site is approximately 4 miles away, which makes security an issue with no on-site residents. Further, leaving machinery outside and open to the elements leads to faster depreciation. With the narrow financial margins in farming, the client sees the investment in a dedicated, secure machinery store as a worthwhile investment in to the future of their agricultural business.

3.2 - What is it going to be used for?

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3.3 - Why have we chosen that location for the proposed shed?

The site is already used for storing the larger and higher-value machinery. It is viable from the client's residential home, which is much better for security.

The site already has good access, with a double gateway and hardcore track from USRN 46900342

4.0 - Summary

We believe the proposed plans for an agricultural machinery store meet the requirements as per Class A of Part 6 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015. The proposed development is vital to the farm business to keep up with growth demands to ensure a viable, long-term security.

The appropriate fee has been included along with this prior approval application.