



Horsham District Council

Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Erection, Extension or
Alteration of a Building for Agricultural or Forestry use

The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as
amended) - Schedule 2, Part 6

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Site Location

Disclaimer: We can only make recommendations based on the answers given in the questions.

If you cannot provide a postcode, the description of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to help locate the site - for example "field to the North of the Post Office".

Number	
Suffix	
Property Name	
Street Record	
Address Line 1	
Address Line 2	
Address Line 3	
Town/city	
Postcode	

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)	Northing (y)

Description

23 acres agricultural land RH55JP

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Oliver

Surname

Betchley

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

Meadow view

Address line 2

Petworth road

Address line 3

Town/City

Wisborough green

County

Country

GB

Postcode

RH14 0BJ

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Applicant Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

***** REDACTED *****

The Proposed Building

Please indicate which of the following are involved in your proposal

- ☒ A new building
- ☐ An extension
- ☐ An alteration

Please describe the type of building

Erection of an agricultural livestock and equipment building together with the formation of an associated farm access track and drainage works, to provide all-weather access from the existing field entrance.

Please state the dimensions of the building

Length

65metres

Height to eaves

5.5metres

Breadth

13metres

Height to ridge

7.5metres

Please describe the walls and the roof materials and colours

Walls

Materials

Concrete panels to lower walls with vertical timber Yorkshire boarding and sections of plastic coated steel box profile cladding above

External colour

Natural concrete, timber and dark green steel cladding

Roof

Materials

Fibre cement sheeting with rooflights

External colour

Natural grey

Has an agricultural building been constructed on this unit within the last two years?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Would the proposed building be used to house livestock, slurry or sewage sludge?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If Yes, will the building be more than 400 metres from the nearest house excluding the farmhouse?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Would the ground area covered by the proposed building exceed:

- 1,250 square metres (where the agricultural unit is under 5 hectares)

- 1,500 square metres (where the agricultural unit is 5 hectares or more)

☐ Yes

☒ No

NOTE: If the ground area covered exceeds the square metre limit it will not qualify as Permitted Development and an application for Planning Permission will be required.

Has any building, works, pond, plant/machinery, or fishtank been erected within 90 metres of the proposed development within the last two years?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Would the erection, extension, or alteration be carried out on land or a building that is, or is within the curtilage of, a scheduled monument?

☐ Yes

☒ No

The Site

What is the total area of the entire agricultural unit? (1 hectare = 10,000 square metres)

9.3

Scale

Hectares

What is the area of the parcel of land where the development is to be located?

1 or more

Hectares

How long has the land on which the proposed development would be located been in use for agriculture for the purposes of a trade or business?

Years

50

Months

0

Is the proposed development reasonably necessary for the purposes of agriculture?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please explain why

The proposed building is required to support the agricultural use of the holding for livestock and general farm operations. It will provide covered accommodation for approximately 30 head of cattle, together with space for the storage of agricultural machinery, forage and feed.

The scale of the building reflects the need to safely house livestock, provide adequate feeding and circulation space, and accommodate essential machinery required for the effective management of the land.

The building is necessary to enable year-round operation of the agricultural unit, improve animal welfare, and protect soils by allowing controlled access via the associated track, reducing damage from vehicle movements in wet conditions.

Is the proposed development designed for the purposes of agriculture?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

If yes, please explain why

The building is specifically designed for agricultural use, providing livestock housing and space for the storage of agricultural machinery, feed and forage. The layout, materials and construction are typical of modern agricultural buildings and are suited to the operational requirements of the holding.

Does the proposed development involve any alteration to a dwelling?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Is the proposed development more than 25 metres from a metalled part of a trunk or classified road?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

What is the height of the proposed development?

7.5

Metres

Is the proposed development within 3 kilometres of an aerodrome?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Would the proposed development affect an ancient monument, archaeological site or listed building or would it be within a Site of Special Scientific Interest or a local nature reserve?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Site Visit

Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact?

- ☐ The agent
☒ The applicant
☐ Other person

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Prior Approval: Building for agricultural/forestry use as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.
I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.
I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:
- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

☒ I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

Oliver Betchley

Date

15/05/2026