

**APP/21/00222 – Proposed Grain Store at Northwood Farm, Northwood lane,
Hayling Island, PO11 0LR**

Supporting Information

1. The siting is important in its current position because it allows access for tractors and trailers straight off the farm. Some of our equipment that may go in the barn is very big including arctic lorries when loading. It is also important to us to move the site away from residential properties to reduce complaints of dust and noise of the farm.
2. Trees marked on the attached plan and will be retained.
3. Our farming enterprises on Hayling are carried out on 5 different holdings. We also share farm some land with Northney farm. Who is our sister farm. We have approximately 300 acres of combinable crops including wheat/ Peas and sunflowers this yields just over 1000 ton of grains we also grow approximately 50 acres of potatoes again yielding about 800 tons. We grow 10 acres of sweet corn and 10 acres of sweetcorn and 12 acres of pumpkins and squash. Our produce is predominantly sold through our stoke fruit farm site on the main road on Hayling. We sell most of our grains to the millers and micronising plants. We are red tractor assured. We do not use the barns for any industrial or commercial use whatsoever. We have 6 tractors 1 combine 1 self-propelled sprayer 1 drill 2 potato harvesters 6 trailers 1 plough 1 baler and sledge 1 16ton excavator 1 plough 1 destone 1 bed tiller 1 hay rake 1 tedder 1 hedge trimmer 1 potatoe planter 1 ridge. We also have 800 wooden potato bins. Most of this equipment benefits from inside storage. We also harvest in the region of 10000 bales of straw and hay. There are regulations in place to prevent things from being stored together for example you can't store hay with fertiliser which we have up to 60 tons on farm at any one time. You also should not store straw with grain due to rodent control and also should not store machinery with straw due to fire risks. You should not store peas with wheat or sunflowers due to cross contamination.
4. It is still our intention to convert the old Dairy, Cattle Stalls and Milking Parlour to residential units with the relevant permissions. The buildings are in no way suitable for modern-day agriculture and do not meet any requirements for food standards.
5. We do have some fields which require access using the A3023 tho we will not be increasing any volume of use that will significantly cause disruption. It is not our intention to import crop onto the island for storage.
6. It is our intention to erect this building before the overwintering period for brent geese. It should be noted that this building will play a vital role in the conservation of geese. The immediate fields around the farm will not be cropped this winter as it is not in rotation. It should be noted that the fields are only a haven for brent geese when they are cropped with winter wheat. A crop which is going to be sustained on hayling island through the construction of this building.
7. The area of the foot path has been a hardstanding for many years, Concreting this will only improve the surface it is also our intention to put some signs up. The foot path will be temporarily fenced prior to construction