

Planning Statement

In relation to a planning application for the proposed development

of

A purpose built slurry store

at

Prosperity Farm, Willoughby Lane, South Reston,
Louth, Lincolnshire, LN11 8PH

On Behalf of

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Application Site

Prosperity Farm has been a successfully operational pig farm for many years, with purpose built pig units, slurry storage and areas of hard standing, which is both owned and operated by Elsham Linc Ltd. The business is a long-established, family farming operation, operating to a high standard.

Development Proposal

This application is for the proposed development of a purpose built circular slurry store adjacent to the existing storage and pig buildings, allowing the established pig farm to comply with recent legislation changes, The Farming Rules for Water.

The implication of the Farming Rules for Water is such that slurry spreading needs to be targeted to match crop requirements, and this provides limited scope for the spreading of slurry onto land following harvest, which has previously been the situation. Crop demand for nutrients is greater in the Spring and therefore farmers are now required to store the slurry for longer and undertake the majority of the slurry spreading onto growing crops in the Spring.

The proposed development will allow the farm to store approximately a years' worth of slurry produced on the farm. The slurry store will be emptied in the spring of each year through the spreading of slurry onto growing crops in accordance with the farm's nutrient management plan.

This development does not result in any further slurry being produced on the farm, and simply provides more storage so that the farm can hold 12 months slurry production in order to comply with The Farming Rules for Water.

Design & Appearance

The proposed slurry store is purpose built, measuring 27.32 long x 27.32m wide, be 9.76m high to the eaves and 15.82m to the ridge. It would be constructed of glass coated stainless steel panels to the wall, finished in green/dark blue panelling, with a white rigid vinyl cover to the roof.

The proposed slurry store will be in keeping with the surrounding agricultural buildings on the farm. The remainder of the land surrounding the application site remains unchanged, with the proposal only relating to the construction of the slurry store.

Access

Access to the farm is available directly from Scrub Lane and has been an existing and suitable point of access for as long as the farm has been operational as a pig farm.

Drainage

The proposal creates no additional drainage requirements.

Noise

The proposal crease no additional noise pollution.

Odour

The proposed slurry store development includes the rigid vinyl cover which prevents any additional odour being created as a result of the development.