

# PROPOSAL

*Erection of Stables, hay barn and menage*

## SITE

*Riding Mead Farm, Sodbury Road, Horton,  
BS376PN*

Mr Richard Morris  
Riding Mead Farm  
Chipping Sodbury Common  
South Gloucestershire  
BS37 6PN

Dear Planning

Re: Planning application for Stables, Hay shed and Menage at Riding Mead Farm BS376PN

Please find attached the application form, drawings and ecology report for the above planning application. I wanted to add this letter of justification for the above.

#### Background

My wife competes at dressage at Grand Prix level having trained her horses herself. From advanced level upwards all British Dressage tests are ridden in a 60x20metre arena hence the request for a 60x20metre menage (we currently transport the horse to hire the correct size arena). We have had a menage at our previous house for 17 years and I can confirm only my wife has ridden on it, she does not train anyone (she has a full time office job), she does not ride other people's horses or produce horses to sell. In 17 years we have never used lights or put show jumps on the menage and I can completely confirm the menage will be for our own private use, with no unsightly jumps or lights. I have enclosed my wife's British Dressage record to confirm the level she competes at.

With regard to the stables, we have 2 competition horses and 1 retired competition horse at home with us and a young horse away at stud who will come home for training in the next year. We have tried to design a building that everything will be contained within. We do not like mess or for things to be on show and have allowed enough space to house everything that goes with horse ownership.

With regard to the hayshed, we make our own hay and have a total of 13 acres on site. The hayshed needs to house 1000 bales of hay at the time of haymaking and has to allow tractor access for stacking the bales. We hope to combine parking my horsebox within the barn as the hay bale numbers reduce through the season and the door way designed will be big enough to accommodate both tractor access and our horsebox.

With this application we have tried to use as much as possible to use the existing hardcore drive. We have also been mindful of putting buildings and the menage away from hedges, not only to allow for hedge and ditch maintenance but also to avoid the disturbance to wildlife. Our ecology advisor was keen for this location.


We have also chosen the location of the buildings and menage to be away from our only neighbour so not to inflict the horses on them (although they have horses themselves). As you will see we have no neighbouring property next to the field we have located the planning, and this abuts Chipping Sodbury Common.

We intend to remove from site 2 Alpaca sheds as these are not sturdy enough for horses. We do not know exactly when these buildings were erected or when they were last used as we have just purchased the property. Previous owner indicates they were part of her Alpaca farm and have been in situ 10+ years.

Please contact me if you have any query or require any further clarification or documentation with regard to this application.

Kind regards

Richard Morris

 Edit rider: Jane Elizabeth Morris 167177





**Mrs Jane Elizabeth Mori**

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# COMPETITION RESULTS



(<http://www.britishdressage.co.uk>)



Music details



Points



Level	Points	Allocated Points	Total
FEI Grand Prix	14	0	14
FEI Intermediate II	47	0	47
FEI Intermediate I	101	0	101
FEI Prix St Georges	145	0	145
Advanced	5	0	5
Advanced Medium	251	0	251
Medium	274	0	274
Elementary	342	0	342
Novice	466	0	466

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