

The Principal Contractor is yet to be appointed for the proposed works. The Contractor selected will adhere to the details contained within this method statement, should there be any necessary adaptations to the means in which the works are to be undertaken, these will be fully detailed out and submitted to the planning department prior to those relevant works being undertaken on site.

Site Address: Land at North Bank, Haydon Bridge, Northumberland, NE47 6LU

Grid Reference: NY 83905 64666

Construction Method Statement Relating to Planning Application

1.0 General Statement

1.1 It is the intention to undertake the construction works in a manner sympathetic to and mindful of the adjacent neighbours and wider village users as well as the ecology of the site. Reasonable and effective measures will be taken to minimise disturbance and all appropriate procedures will be operated to ensure that neighbours are kept informed and considered at every stage of both the planning and execution of the works.

2.0 Site Parking and Access

2.1 It is intended that the Main Entrance from North Bank is to be used for all normal everyday access to site. Deliveries, particularly of larger materials, will be dealt with differently, see the section on material deliveries.

2.2 To minimise damage to the current road and disruption to the neighbours, before work commences the new drive/parking area will be prepared with hardcore so that no traffic will be travelling on unmade up ground.

2.3 Allowance will be made to cover the first 6 linear metres of the new drive will be maintained and kept in place for the duration of the site-based element of the works. On completion the surface will be duly prepared for the agreed finish as indicated on the landscaping plan.

2.4 All vehicles for site operatives and visitors will be parked off the main road within the wider application site boundary. No construction vehicles will be parked on the highway.

2.5 The vehicles making daily visits to site will be either vans or pickup trucks, large vehicles will not be part of the regular vehicle access. There will be relatively few visits to the site on a normal day, on site vehicles are likely to be less than 1 No.

2.6 Avoiding site vehicles from passing over unmade roads will minimise dust and debris, tracked vehicles and excavators will be kept on site during the specific work exercise and then removed by Trader to prevent the plant passing over the adjacent driveway or highways. There will therefore be little or no dust or dirt associated with the works and vehicle cleaning will not be necessary.

2.7 Wheel washing facilities to be located at the access to the site to wash down vehicles prior to leaving the works area and re-joining the highway. Contractor to check the highway daily for detritus as a result of the vehicles visiting the site and allow for appropriate clearance.

3.0 Site Deliveries / Waste Removal & Materials

- 3.1 All deliveries will be organised so that there will be the least impact to the surrounding area including minimizing the number of trips.
- 3.2 The small scale nature of the construction will mean that they are relatively small numbers of larger deliveries required with most deliveries necessitating only relatively small delivery vehicles.
- 3.3 All larger delivery wagons will be offloaded from the main road adjacent the site over the perimeter fence directly onto the site area. Where necessary the site operatives will direct traffic and pedestrians around the delivery. Deliveries will be organised to avoid busy times i.e. school runs, so no deliveries will be programmed between 8.30 – 9.15am and 3-3.45pm. Arranging deliveries in this way will substantially minimise the need for delivery wagons to access the driveway between the properties.
- 3.4 Plant and materials will be stored on site and left for the duration of the necessary work element. This will reduce the need for additional trips by transporters / low loaders and also reduce the debris on the adjacent access driveway.
- 3.5 Materials will be delivered when needed to avoid stockpiling and crowding the site. Materials will be stored away from the adjacent embankment and any tree roots within the confines of the site.
- 3.6 Waste material will be collected and then removed in a smaller number of larger quantities to avoid ongoing disturbance. Waste earth will be removed by either skips or grab wagon directly over the site fence to prevent debris on the highway or the adjacent paving. Where necessary the site operatives will direct traffic and pedestrians around the delivery. As with deliveries, waste removal is will be organised to avoid busy times i.e. school runs, so no deliveries will be programmed between 8.00 – 9.15am and 3-3.45pm.
- 3.7 All surplus spoil from the excavations of foundations will be removed by licence skips/grab wagons as noted above.
- 3.8 As befitting the minor domestic nature of the works, only small plant and equipment will be necessary. Is anticipated that a small tracked excavator will be needed for excavations this will be delivered to site on a trailer behind a van or pickup truck.

4.0 General Site Arrangements

- 4.1 Site will be left clean and tidy every night, no materials will be left on the driveway to the side of the site all will be within the confines of the site. Stihl saws will be used with water suppression to prevent/reduce dust.
- 4.2 It is intended to limit work in the hours of day-light so floodlights will not be required for work.
- 4.3 There will be no noisy activity on Sundays nor Bank holidays. During the working week noisy work will be limited to 0800 – 1800 hrs Monday to Friday and between 0800 – 1300 hrs on Saturdays.