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**WOOD FARM, CROWFIELD ROAD, STONHAM ASPAL, SUFFOLK,  
IP14 6AW**

**ERECTION OF A GENERAL PURPOSE AGRICULTURAL BUILDING FOR  
THE STORAGE OF MACHINERY, PLANT, MATERIALS, FERTILISER,  
FEED AND CROPS**

**Town and Country Planning General Permitted Development Order 2015  
Schedule 2, Part 6**

**Statement in support of prior notification of proposed agricultural  
storage building**

**prepared on behalf of**

**Mr & Mrs Euston**

**Ref: 2824/PS001 Rev A  
Date: November 2023**

## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 Mr & Mrs Euston farm a holding of some 13.5 hectares based at Wood Farm, Crowfield Road, Stonham Aspal, Suffolk, on the East side of Crowfield Road, located on the southern edge of the village of Stonham Aspal
- 1.2 The cluster of existing farm buildings to the South of Wood Farm House, comprising some small stables and outbuildings, together with a small temporary portable lightweight metal sheeted building, are accessed by way of a track leading off Crowfield Road.
- 1.3 There are currently no buildings on the site of the farm suitable for storage of agricultural machinery, plant, materials, fertiliser, feed and crops, necessary for the continuation of the farming business.
- 1.4 Following on from the above the Applicant now proposes to address the deficiencies with regards the insufficient storage requirements, with the erection of a new purpose-built agricultural building, for the storage of agricultural machinery, plant, materials, fertiliser, feed and crops, located in a more central position within the holding.
- 1.5 The planned site position for the proposed agricultural storage building, is shown on the submitted drawing No 2824/001B, 002A, 003A, 004A, 005A and 006A.

## **2.0 THE PROPOSAL**

- 2.1 The new building will have a span of 18.00 metres and length of 54.00 metres, resulting in a floor area of 972 square metres. It will be 6.00 metres high to eaves, and 7.99 metres to the ridge, as shown on the submitted drawing No 2824/004A.
- 2.2 The design, materials and their colours (olive green vertical cladding) for the proposed building are typical of those used on many a functional, modern farm building throughout Suffolk and the wider area. The roof will be clad with Goosewing grey insulated composite roof sheets.

2.3 This application follows the withdrawal of application No DC/23/04528.

This follows alleged concerns raised by the planning officer, that the application would not meet the definition of 'agriculture' as set out in the Town and Country Planning Act. The building is only permitted development where it is 'reasonably necessary for the purposes of agriculture within that unit' (Schedule 2, Part 6, Class A) Thus, if the building is to be used as such.

The planning officer at the time of the previous application stated that in the absence of more information/evidence to support the agricultural use, I am minded to refuse prior approval.

This matter was raised the day before determination. The applicant was on holiday at the time, and it was decided to withdraw the application and re-submit, with clear evidence that the building is necessary for the purposes of agriculture.

The following photographs show the agricultural machinery they currently have on the farm, with the existing outbuildings and temporary lightweight portable shed shown, in the background.

Most of the agricultural equipment is stored outside due to the existing buildings not being fit for purpose.



The following photographs show the recently cropped 10.5 hectares of field, planted with Grade C1 Winter Wheat, which will be due for harvest July 2024.

In addition to the required secure storage for their high value agricultural machinery, Mr & Mrs Euston will also require a purpose-built agricultural building suitable for grain storage.

The grain will need to be stored on site until the price is right to sell on. This could be up to 12 months from harvest depending on the grain market prices.

They also require storage for Fertiliser which depending on the price at the time, can need to be purchased up between 2 to 4 years before it is actually required, to take full advantage of the best price at the time.







The applicant will also be using some of the land for summer grazing of cattle and sheep. They will therefore require storage space for straw and feed.

The applicant has also recently received a County Parish Holding number, details as follows;

Single business identifier (SBI): 200882205  
Customer reference number (CRN): 1106203046  
Business name: Mark Euston  
CRM ref: CRM-3672330-W9W7X2  
Our ref: CPH notif CPH (2.0)

Dear Mr Euston,

**Your County Parish Holding (CPH) number**

Thank you for contacting us to request a CPH number for the following location.

CPH number	Main livestock gathering area	National Grid field number
38/100/0194	Wood Farm, Crowfield Road, Stonham Aspal, Stowmarket, IP14 6AW	<b>TM 1458 2778</b> Additional land: TM 1458 3581, TM 1458 5280, TM 1458 3465

You have also been registered on the [Rural Payments service](#).

Your **Single Business Identifier (SBI)** is: **200882205**

Your **Customer Reference Number (CRN)** is: **1106203046**

Please make a record of these as you will need them when you contact us.

The following drawings/documents are submitted in support of the application;

- 2824/001B – Location Plan
- 2824/002A – Existing Block Plan/Site Plan (1:200 Scale)
- 2824/003A – Existing Block Plan/Site Plan (1:500 Scale)
- 2824/004A – Proposed Floor Plan and Elevations
- 2824/005A – Proposed Block Plan/Site Plan (1:500 Scale)
- 2824/006A – Proposed Block Plan/Site Plan (1:200 Scale)
- Supporting Statement ref: 2824/PSS001 Rev A (including photographs)