# **PLANNING STATEMENT**

RETENTION OF ADDITIONAL PARKING ON THE LAND SOUTH OF NOTLEY, ENTERPRISE PARK.

IT FLEET - NOTLEY ENTERPRISE PARK, RAYDON ROAD, WENHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK, CO7 6QD.

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## 1 Introduction.

This statement is prepared in respect of an application for the retention of additional parking on the land south of Notley, enterprise park.

The site forms part of the curtilage of Raydon airfield.

The extract below shows the location of the site relative to its surroundings and other nearby development.

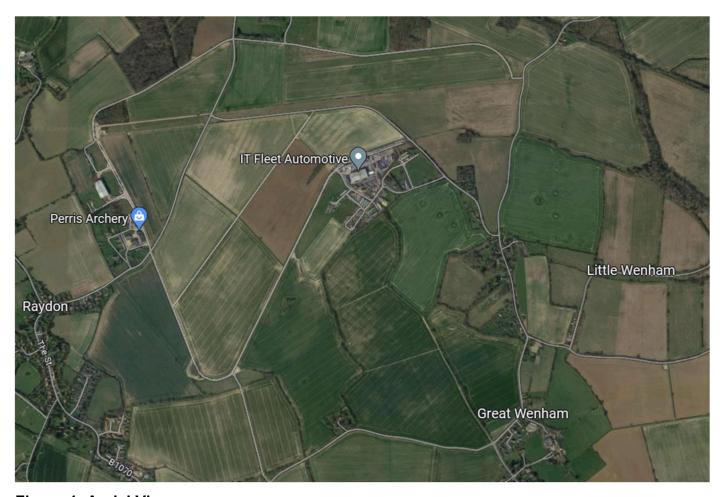


Figure 1. Aerial View

## 2 Site Context.

#### 2.1 Location.

The application site is on Raydon Airfield and the Agricultural Land Classification is Grade 3. The application site is below in figure 2.

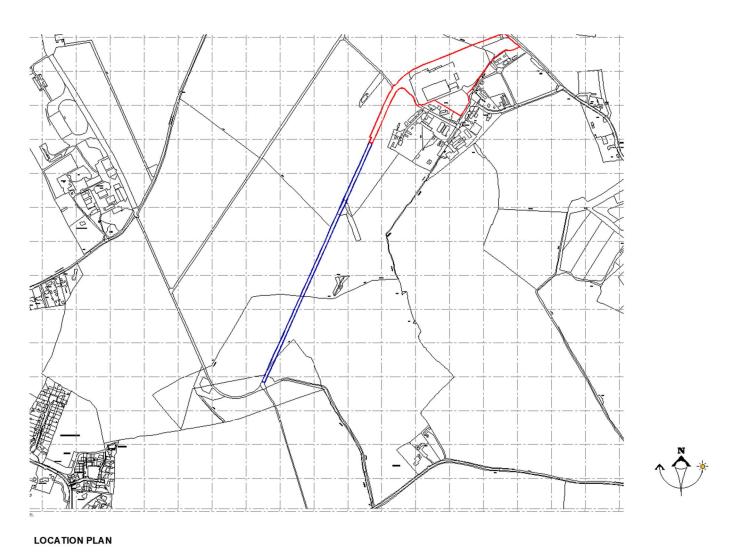


Figure 2. Aerial View

## 2.2 Site History.

Raydon airfield was constructed by the 833rd and 862nd Aviation Engineer Battalions. Although only ever used by fighters, Raydon airfield was constructed as a standard Class A bomber airfield. As a result, its main concrete runway was approximately 6000 ft long with two intersecting concrete runways of 4200 ft. Two T-2 type hangars were built at opposite ends of the airfield and

52 concrete dispersal points were located around the perimeter track. Accommodation for over 2800 personnel was built to the south east of the airfield

#### 2.3 Current Use.

Raydon is one of the more complete Second World War USAAF airfield (bases) in East Anglia that was not also used by the United States Air Force during the Cold War. After the end of military control, Raydon was converted into Notley Industrial Park. The buildings that remain are largely unaltered in appearance, including the old technical site. Two T-2 hangers are in very good condition, one use by a farmer and the other used for car storage. The image below,

Figure 3 indicates the present occupants of the airfield including the application IT Fleet Automotive.

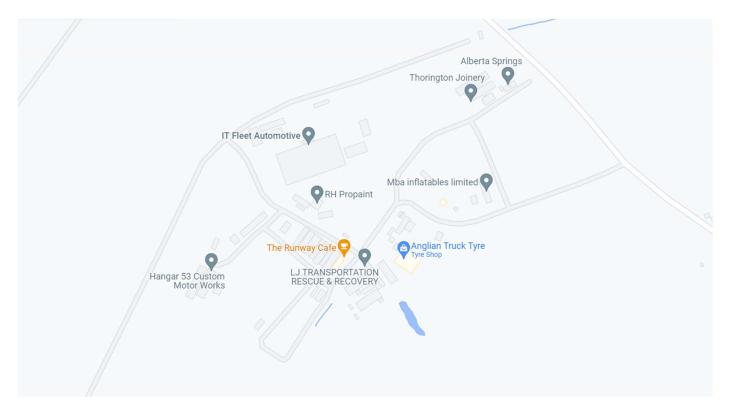


Figure 3. Current occupancy.

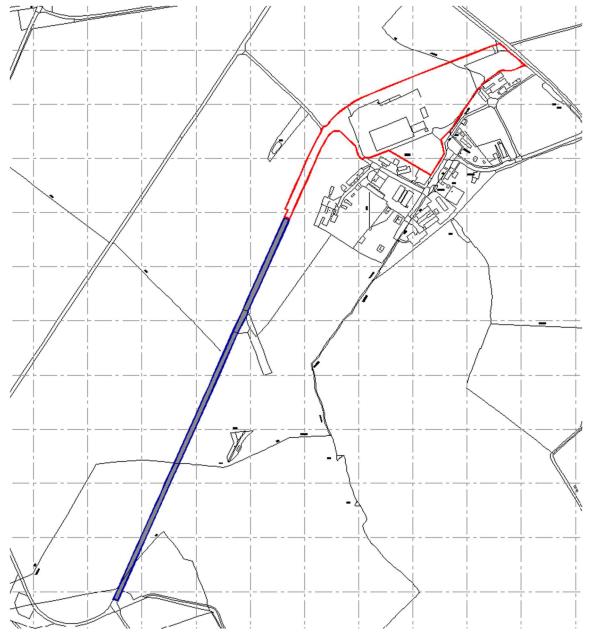
## 3 Proposal for Application.

## 3.1 Proposed Application.

This application is submitted for retention of additional parking on the land south of Notley, enterprise park.

## 3.2 Application Reason.

IT Fleet Automotive are applying for this application due to the business having sustained growth over the past years. The application is applying for planning permission to allow additional parking to the land south of the land leased by IT Fleet Automotive, to maintain the business growth and serve the expectations of existing customers see figure 4 below.



**Figure 4 -** The red lined boundary is the land that IT Fleet Automotive have leased for 25 years and are 6 years into that lease. The area shaded with the blue line boundary is the application site for the additional vehicle parking. IT Fleet Automotive currently rent the area in edge in blue and the owner of this land has been notified and is listed on the planning application form.

# 4 Landscaping.

No landscaping is affective on this application.

## 5 Access.

There are no access issues on this site. IT Fleet Automotive have full legal access to the proposed additional parking area and there are turning facilities to the north and south of the site to ensure save vehicle movements.

# 6 Appearance.

Photographs have been taking to highlight the parking on site within the application site boundary.







