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Design and Access Statement

Proposal - Proposed Riding Arena for Private Horses.

Site - Pear Tree Farm,
Cliff Road,
Acton Bridge,
Northwich,
Cheshire.
CW8 3QP

Client - Mr & Mrs E Lee.

Description - The proposal as detailed on the submitted drawing is for a horse riding arena on land at Pear Tree Farm, Acton Bridge.

The application site is located on the southwest side of Cliff Road and forms part of a parcel of land totalling approximately 8.5 acres.

Scale – The size of the proposed arena as shown on drawing 23/07/05 will measure 20m x 40m and in accordance with the BHS (British Horse Society) is the safe minimum recommended size for an arena.

This size of the arena will allow for both the schooling of horses and horse jumping activity. A schooling arena requires enough space for riders and horses to complete circles up to 20m in diameter.

Arenas for horse jumping vary in size and competition arenas can be up to 70m x 100m for Equestrian events.

Appearance – The arena will be surfaced with aggregate rubber chipped material and the arena will have a perimeter fence of 1.4m high timber post and rails.

Landscaping-- The proposal will be screened from the surrounding area by existing farm buildings and existing hedge/tree planting.

Access – Vehicle and pedestrian access will be via the existing access drive that serves Pear Tree Farm.

Adequate parking and turning facilities are provided within the site adjacent to the existing buildings located next to the proposed arena.

Conclusion- The proposed arena will be sited on land adjacent to the existing farm buildings and this proposed arena will allow for the schooling of the horses all year round without damaging the ground during wet periods.

A number of riding arenas have been granted planning consent in the area-

- 22/04019/FUL - Installation of 20m x 40m all-weather riding arena.
Lily Paddock Camomile Lane Crowton Northwich
- 20/04836/FUL - Provision of a 20m x 40m equestrian riding arena.
Land At Weaverham Road and Hodge Lane Weaverham Northwich Cheshire
- 19/01709/FUL - Installation of riding arena for private use with post and rail fence.
Stanneybrook Farm Stanneybrook Lane Norley Northwich CW8 2RX

The proposed riding arena due to its location and design will not harm the character and appearance of the surrounding countryside.