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Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Erection, Extension or Alteration of a Building for Agricultural or Forestry use

The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) - Schedule 2, Part 6

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Site Location

Disclaimer: We can only make recommendations based on the answers given in the questions.

If you cannot provide a postcode, the description of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to help locate the site - for example "field to the North of the Post Office".

Number

Suffix

Property Name

Bore Place, Bore Place Conference And Study Centre

Address Line 1

Bore Place Road

Address Line 2

Address	Line 3	

Kent

Town/city

Chiddingstone

Postcode

TN8 7AR

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)

Northing (y)

550562

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Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

First name

Charles

Surname

Holt

Company Name

Commonwork Organic Farms Ltd

Address

Address line 1

Bore Place, Bore Place Conference And Study Centre Bore Place Road

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

Chiddingstone

County

Kent

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

TN8 7AR

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

⊘ Yes

 \bigcirc No

Contact Details

Primary number

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Secondary number

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Fax number

Email address

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Agent Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

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First name

Charles

Surname

Holt

Company Name

The Farm Consultancy Group

Address

Address line 1 Coleby Grange Address line 2 Heath Road Address line 3 Coleby Town/City Lincoln County County United Kingdom

Postcode

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The Proposed Building

Please indicate which of the following are involved in your proposal

A new building

An extension

An alteration

Please describe the type of building

A polytunnel for the growing of vegetables for the market garden.

Please state the dimensions of the building

Length

35

Height to eaves

2.4

Breadth

12.8

Height to ridge

3.6

Please describe the walls and the roof materials and colours

Walls

Materials

External colour

Plastic (polythene) covering to an aluminium and timber frame

Green	and	white
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metres

metres

metres

metres

Roof

Materials

External colour

Polythene	White
Has an agricultural building been constructed on this unit within the last ○ Yes ⊙ No	two years?
Would the proposed building be used to house livestock, slurry or sewage \bigcirc Yes \bigodot No	je sludge?
Would the ground area covered by the proposed agricultural building exc \bigcirc Yes \oslash No	
Permission will be required. Has any building, works, pond, plant/machinery, or fishtank been erected	t will not qualify as Permitted Development and an application for Planning d within 90 metres of the proposed development within the last two years?
○ Yes	

⊘ No

The Site

What is the total area of the entire agricultural unit? (1 hectare = 10,000 square metres)

208.0

Scale

Hectares

What is the area of the parcel of land where the development is to be located?

1 or more

Hectares

How long has the land on which the proposed development would be located been in use for agriculture for the purposes of a trade or business?

Years

100			
Months			
0			

Is the proposed development reasonably necessary for the purposes of agriculture?

⊘ Yes

⊖ No

If yes, please explain why

The market garden at Bore Place is part of the wider agricultural enterprise on the estate. It covers an area of up to 2.7 hectares. It produces and sells vegetables to a wide range of outlets, including a farmers' market, Infinity food shop & bakery, and local box schemes. Much of the food produced is consumed on site, and is used by the kitchens at Bore Place. No food goes beyond 30-40 miles, so it is all locally consumed. The market garden relies on sales of vegetables for as long a period as possible so it needs as long a growing season as is available. Currently it is mainly April to October. Growing some of the more delicate crops inside the polytunnel will extend the season when such vegetables can be produced and sold. Improvements in the market garden area have already been made recently, for instance in the packing area, propagating area, cold storage and in the irrigation system.

Is the proposed development designed for the purposes of agriculture?

⊘ Yes

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Ir yes, please explain why	
The polytunnel will protect the vegetables inside from the ravages of the weather. It will provide warmth and protection from wind and ra will improve crop health. This will increase both the quantity and quality of the vegetables produced. It will also improve the working environment for staff. Two full time staff are already employed during the growing season, plus part time staff when needed. The polytu will both make their employment more secure, and enhance future employment possibilities.	
Does the proposed development involve any alteration to a dwelling?	
⊖ Yes	
⊗ No	
Is the proposed development more than 25 metres from a metalled part of a trunk or classified road?	
⊗ Yes	
○ No	
What is the height of the proposed development?	
3.6	Metres
Is the proposed development within 3 kilometres of an aerodrome?	
⊖ Yes	
⊗ No	
Would the proposed development affect an ancient monument, archaeological site or listed building or would it be within a Site of Special Interest or a local nature reserve?	Scientific
⊘ Yes	
○ No	
If Yes, please provide details	
The polytunnel is to be approximately 110m from the grade 2 listed Bore Place.	
Site Visit	

Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?

⊘ Yes

⊖ No

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact?

○ The agent

 \bigcirc Other person

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Prior Approval: Building for agricultural/forestry use as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;

- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

✓ I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

Charles Holt

Date

21/02/2024