Portakabin



Design and Access Statement

National Ambulance Resilient Unit

DCBRNC, Winterbourne Gunner,
Salisbury
SP4 0ES

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1 - Introduction

This design and access statement has been created to support the planning application made on behalf of the National Ambulance Resilience Unit Limited for the installation of a temporary Portakabin modular building.

The modular building will be used as office space to support both their admin staff and instructors. The Portaloo building which is currently on the development site will be moved elsewhere on the site.

The development site has been picked due to its proximity to services and connections as well as its close proximity to the existing modular buildings on the site. Consideration has been given to ensure the building will not adversely impact the visual amenity of the site.

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2 - Site Information

Funded by NHS England, NARU's role is to ensure that patients receive the high quality of care they deserve and expect by working with the ten English NHS ambulance services to ensure effective responses to high-risk and complex emergency situations.

The National Ambulance Resilience Unit (NARU) was established in 2011 as a central support unit for all UK ambulance services, to ensure the ambulance service as a whole can respond to a variety of hazardous and challenging incidents in the safest and most effective way possible.

Proposed Site Information:

The proposed Portakabin building will be located within the controlled site compound.

The development site is a grassed area which currently housed a Portaloo building. The building will be sited on excavated foundations.



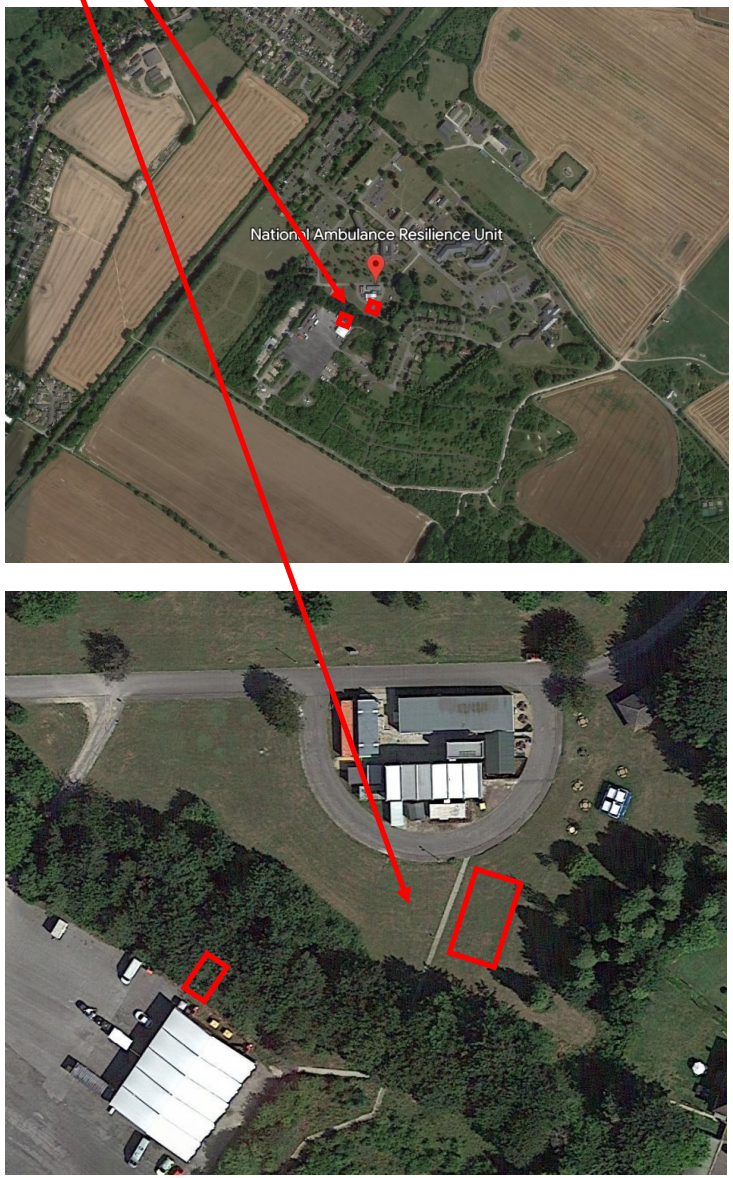
3 - Site in context

The National Ambulance Resilience Centre is situated to the South East of Winterbourne Gunner, accessible just off Thorneydown rd. The site is located approximately 4 miles North of Salisbury and is largely accessible only by car.

The development site will not be visible from any public roads or footpaths. The proposal will not be out of keeping with the immediate surroundings as NARU have operated out of modular Portakabin buildings for a number of years now.

The site does not fall within any designated conservation or flood risk zones.

Proposed location of the temporary Portakabin Limited building ***as shown below.***



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3.1 – Development site photographs

Please see images below show existing Portaloo building on the proposed development site.









3.1 – Development site photographs continued

Please see images below for proposed location of Portaloo building.

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4 - Design Principles and Context

4.1 – Use

The National Ambulance Resilience Unit is applying for temporary planning permission to site a Portakabin modular building on their secure site at SP4 0ES for a period of 260 weeks.

The modular building will be used as office space to support both their admin staff and instructors. The Portaloo building which is currently on the development site will be moved elsewhere on the site.

The development site has been picked due to its proximity to services and connections as well as its central location. The development is not out of keeping with the existing site facilities as the site has housed modular Portakabin buildings for a number of years.

This scheme may lead to an increase in the number of staff on site. The current facilities have meant that expansion has not been possible, but with an additional 313sqm, they will have the opportunity to expand in the future an offer more training.

4.2 – Amount

The *Portakabin* building has an overall floor space of 313sqm which meets the requirements for office space.

Please see the enclosed Plan and Elevations drawing attached to the application.

4.3 – Layout

The proposed *Portakabin* building will contain a reception, an open plan instructors room, a meeting room, a breakout room, a number of offices, a kitchenette and toilet/ shower facilities.

4.4 – Scale

The *Portakabin* building has overall dimensions of 3,512mm height (this ma differ slightly depending on the FFL), 12,234mm width and 26,682mm length.

Please see plan and elevations attached.

4.5 – Landscaping

The proposed Portakabin building will be sited within the site compound on a grassed area which currently houses a Portaloo building.

2 new pathways will be installed to connect the proposed building to the existing pathways. This will include step free access to the front door and stepped access to the fire exit.

The rear door will open out onto a picnic area for staff and trainees.

The proposal will not encroach on any parking spaces.

4.6 – Appearance

The *Portakabin* buildings are manufactured and prefabricated at *Portakabin*, New Lane, Huntington, York.

External walls are of a durable one-piece construction with high-performance, low maintenance plastisol-coated galvanised steel cladding to offer protection against fire, extreme weather and accidental damage. The roof deck is of one-piece construction and is impact resistant. The building will be Goosewing Grey.

Internally, the polyester-coated galvanised steel ceiling is designed to prevent condensation problems and has a low-maintenance finish.

The walls are of vinyl-faced plasterboard, providing a wipe-clean finish. The prefabricated nature of the buildings results in minimal impact on the environment in terms of both construction and use.

4.7 – Access

4.7.1 – Vehicle and Transport links

The proposed development site is contained within the main site compound and will benefit from the same transport links.

No car parking spaces will be lost as a result of this application.

This application will not increase the transport pressures on site as there are plenty of car parking spaces available.

4.7.2 – Access

The proposed building will form a reduced dig, meaning users will access the building via step free access to the front door. The fire exit will be made accessible via a set of part m compliant steps.

5 – Conclusion

The *Portakabin* building has been chosen as a result of the flexible solution it provides.

It can be installed quickly enabling the National Ambulance Resilience Unit to begin using the specifically fitted out building much more quickly than a traditional build, and it can easily be removed from site with little impact and the land returned to its former state.