Portakabin®



Design and Access Statement

Chemring Countermeasures Limited
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SP4 6AS

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1 - Introduction

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

The building will provide a temporary multi disciplined centralised office for a period of 5 years.

The development site has been picked due to its proximity to services and connections as well as its currently underused location. 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

Chemring Countermeasures are The world leader in protecting air and naval forces from the threats posed by heat-seeking and radar-controlled missiles.

They have more than 50 years' experience at the forefront of Radio Frequency (RF) and Infrared (IR) expendable decoy research, design and manufacturing.

As an innovative company operating at the leading edge of the expendable counter-measures business, they continually invest in technology, people and research. Re-search and Development (R&D) are essential to finding reliable solutions, not only for today's, but tomorrow's threats facing our armed forces.



Proposed Site Information:

The proposed Portakabin Ultima building will be sited within the site compound, how-ever will be out of the 'red zone', an area of site where developments require a higher level of control.

The proposed development site is a disused hard standing area and thus the building will be sited on simple foundations.

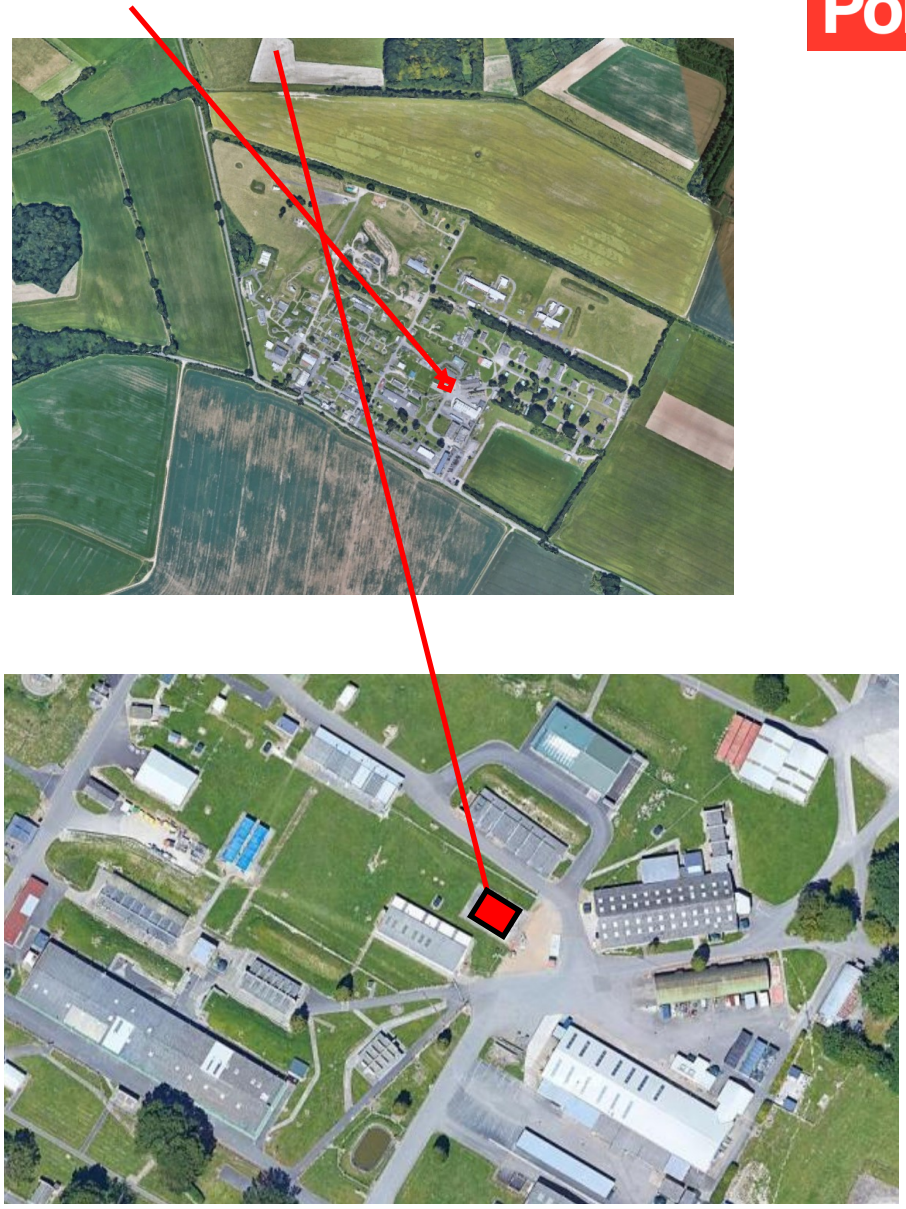
3 - Site in context

Chemring Countermeasures is situated to the North West of High Post, accessible just off the A345. The site is located approximately 4 miles North of Salisbury and is largely accessible only by car.

Set within the private site, the development site will not be visible from public highway and will reflect the overall characteristic of the site due to it's utilitarian nature. No important sightlines will be adversely affected.

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

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



3.1 – Development site photographs









4 - Design Principles and Context

4.1 – Use

Chemring Countermeasures Limited seeks temporary permission for the installation of a single storey Portakabin modular building on their secure site at SP4 6AS for a period of 260 weeks.

After careful consideration, a multi disciplined central office is deemed the most effective working practice.

Put to full use, no alternative existing floor area is available to accommodate this requirement.

Whilst in situ, effectiveness of the amalgamation will be assessed with a view to exploring a permanent solution.

4.2 – Amount

The *Portakabin* building has an overall floor space of 156sqm which meets the requirements of a functional office facility.

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

4.3 – Layout

The proposed *Portakabin* building will encompass a large open office with adjoining kitchenette with 2 small meeting rooms.

4.4 – Scale

The *Portakabin* building has overall dimensions of 3.5m height, 13.4m width and 12.2m length. Please see plan and elevations attached.

4.5 – Landscaping

The proposed Portakabin building will be sited within an area historically used for storage containers.

A hard standing concrete pad is present and will be utilised for pathways, as such there is no requirement for additional landscaping features.

The proposal will not encroach on any parking spots.

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.

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.

4.7.2 – Access

The proposed building will be served by appropriate compliant access.

5 – Conclusion

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

It can be installed quickly enabling Chemring Countermeasures Limited 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.