STATEMENT

IN CONNECTION WITH ERECTION OF LIVESTOCK AND MACHINERY BUILDING AT SWAYNES FIR, BLANDFORD ROAD, COOMBE BISSETT, SALISBURY SP5 5RF FOR MR A BUTT

The Property

Swaynes Fir is located to the south-east of the A.354 Salisbury – Blandford highway and approximately 7 kilometres south-west of Coombe Bissett.

The property supports a substantial house with fields lying to the south-east – total agricultural land approximately 6 HA.

Also within the applicant's ownership is a caravan site for touring caravans and several outbuildings.

The property is right on the south-west border of Wiltshire Council District and is separated from North Dorset District Council jurisdiction by Grim(s) Ditch.

The adjacent land and buildings to the west are not in the applicant's ownership.

Swaynes Fir has an Agricultural Holding number of 45-196-28.

The Proposal

The applicant wishes to erect a general purpose agricultural building for livestock and machinery and the selected position is close to the residential area of Swaynes Fir and also located against a high evergreen hedge, which will screen the building.

The livestock will be as the seasons require for housing, but generally poultry, lambing and calf rearing, with space for appropriate machinery in connection with the general maintenance and upkeep of the land.

The design of the building is character to an agricultural building, with access door at each end and one set of doors on the long side, to give the potential separation within the building. The doors are designed in such a way that the upper sections can be open but retain security with the lower doors and if necessary, screens provided in the upper section of an open door to prevent ingress of birds.

The ridge will be cranked ventilation pattern and each bay will have one row from apex to eaves of translucent sheeting per bay.

Impact on ANOB

Swaynes Fir is located in the Cranborne Chase Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, therefore consideration needs to be given to the impact of the proposed building on the landscape.

Within reasonable proximity of the application site there are various industrial and commercial buildings.

To the west, original grain intervention storage buildings, now converted to recreational and commercial use.

On the opposite side of the A.354, north-west of the property, commercial outlet regarding tractors and agricultural equipment and to the north, vehicle repair and service station.

It is considered the proportions of the building, particularly with regard to height and its location against an existing well-established hedge, with cladding colour of Lakeland Brown of Olive Green, would not be unacceptably intrusive in the countryside.