

Application for Planning Permission.
Town and Country Planning Act 1990

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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.

Please complete using block capitals and black ink.

It is important that you read the accompanying guidance notes as incorrect completion will delay the processing of your application.

1. Applicant Name and Address	2. Agent Name and Address
Title: Mr First name: MARTIN	Title: Mr First name: CHARLES
Last name: COOPER	Last name: ROBERTS
Company (optional): DIRECTORATE OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE	Company (optional): PROPERTY GROUP
Unit: House number: House suffix:	Unit: E1 House number: 4TH FLOOR House suffix:
House name: COUNTY HALL	House name: PO BOX 26
Address 1: PITT STREET	Address 1: COUNTY HALL
Address 2: FISHERGATE	Address 2: PITT STREET
Address 3:	Address 3: FISHERGATE
Town: PRESTON	Town: PRESTON
County: LANCASHIRE	County: LANCASHIRE
Country: ENGLAND	Country: ENGLAND
Postcode: PR1 8RE	Postcode: PR1 8RE

3. Description of the Proposal

Please describe the proposed development, including any change of use:

WE PROPOSE AN 'AERIAL ROPEWAY' / 'ZIP WIRE' WHICH WILL CONSTITUTE:

- i) A 'SLATTED WALKWAY' FROM EXISTING INDOOR ACTIVITY BUILDING WITH A FALL ARREST SYSTEM ABOVE
- ii) A 'START PLATFORM' SUSPENDED BETWEEN 2 NO TIMBER TELEGRAPH-TYPE POSTS, WITH 4 NO TENSILE CABLES EACH
- iii) A 'TERMINATION POST' WITH 4 NO TENSILE CABLES
- iv) A 'ZIP WIRE' OF 155M LENGTH.

Has the building work or change of use already started?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If Yes, please state the date when building work or use were started (DD/MM/YYYY):

(date must be pre-application submission)

Has the building work or change of use been completed?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If Yes, please state the date when the building work or change of use was completed: (DD/MM/YYYY):

(date must be pre-application submission)

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4. Site Address Details

Please provide the full postal address of the application site

Unit: House number: House suffix:

House name: HOTHERSALL LODGE

Address 1: FIELD CENTRE

Address 2: HOTHERSALL LANE

Address 3: HOTHERSALL

Town: LONGRIDGE

County: LANCASHIRE

Postcode (optional): PR3 2XB

Description of location or a grid reference.
(must be completed if postcode is not known):

Easting: Northing:

Description:

5. Pre-application Advice

Has assistance or prior advice been sought from the local authority about this application? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please complete the following information about the advice you were given. (This will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently)

Please tick if the full contact details are not known, and then complete as much as possible: ☐

Officer name:

ROB HOPE

Reference:

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):
(must be pre-application submission)

Details of pre-application advice received?

NO PROBLEMS ENVISAGED

6. Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way

Is a new or altered vehicle access proposed to or from the public highway? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are there any new public roads to be provided within the site? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are there any new public rights of way to be provided within or adjacent to the site? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Do the proposals require any diversions /extinguishments and/or creation of rights of way? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If you answered Yes to any of the above questions, please show details on your plans/drawings and state the reference of the plan (s)/drawings(s)

7. Waste Storage and Collection

Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, please provide details:

N/A

Have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, please provide details:

8. Authority Employee / Member

With respect to the Authority, I am: (a) a member of staff
(b) an elected member
(c) related to a member of staff
(d) related to an elected member

Do any of these statements apply to you? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please provide details of the name, relationship and role

I AM MAKING THE APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE DIRECTORATE OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE, LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL. -- I WORK WITHIN THE PROPERTY GROUP

18. All Types of Development: Non-residential Floorspace

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Does your proposal involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-residential floorspace?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If you have answered Yes to the question above please add details in the following table:

Use class/type of use	Not applicable	Existing gross internal floorspace (square metres)	Gross internal floorspace to be lost by change of use or demolition (square metres)	Total gross internal floorspace proposed (including change of use)(square metres)	Net additional gross internal floorspace following development (square metres)
A1 Shops	☐				
Net tradable area:	☐				
A2 Financial and professional services	☐				
A3 Restaurants and cafes	☐				
A4 Drinking establishments	☐				
A5 Hot food takeaways	☐				
B1 (a) Office (other than A2)	☐				
B1 (b) Research and development	☐				
B1 (c) Light industrial	☐				
B2 General industrial	☐				
B8 Storage or distribution	☐				
C1 Hotels and halls of residence	☐				
C2 Residential institutions	☐				
D1 Non-residential institutions	☐				
D2 Assembly and leisure	☐				
OTHER	☐				
Please Specify	☐				
Total					

In addition, for hotels, residential institutions and hostels, please additionally indicate the loss or gain of rooms

Use class	Type of use	Not applicable	Existing rooms to be lost by change of use or demolition	Total rooms proposed (including changes of use)	Net additional rooms
C1	Hotels	☐			
C2	Residential institutions	☐			
OTHER		☐			
Please Specify		☐			

19. Employment

Please complete the following information regarding employees:

	Full-time	Part-time	Total full-time equivalent
Existing employees	5	6	8
Proposed employees	5	7	8 1/2

20. Hours of Opening

Please state the hours of opening for each non-residential use proposed:

Use	Monday to Friday	Saturday	Sunday and Bank Holidays	Not known
EDUCATIONAL				
RESIDENTIAL				

21. Site Area

Please state the site area in hectares (ha)

657,310 sqm

65.731 hectares

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17. Residential Units (Including Conversion)

Does your proposal include the gain, loss or change of use of residential units?
 If Yes, please complete details of the changes in the tables below:

☐ Yes☒ No

Proposed Housing							Existing Housing								
Market Housing	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total	Market Housing	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown				1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	☐							Houses	☐						
Flats and maisonettes	☐							Flats and maisonettes	☐						
Live work units	☐							Live work units	☐						
Cluster flats	☐							Cluster flats	☐						
Sheltered housing	☐							Sheltered housing	☐						
Bedsit/studios	☐							Bedsit/studios	☐						
Unknown type	☐							Unknown type	☐						
Totals (a + b + c + d + e + f + g) =							Totals (a + b + c + d + e + f + g) =								

Social Rented	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total	Social Rented	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown				1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	☐							Houses	☐						
Flats and maisonettes	☐							Flats and maisonettes	☐						
Live-work units	☐							Live-work units	☐						
Cluster flats	☐							Cluster flats	☐						
Sheltered housing	☐							Sheltered housing	☐						
Bedsit/studios	☐							Bedsit/studios	☐						
Unknown type	☐							Unknown type	☐						
Totals (a + b + c + d + e + f + g) =							Totals (a + b + c + d + e + f + g) =								

Intermediate	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total	Intermediate	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown				1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	☐							Houses	☐						
Flats and maisonettes	☐							Flats and maisonettes	☐						
Live-work units	☐							Live-work units	☐						
Cluster flats	☐							Cluster flats	☐						
Sheltered housing	☐							Sheltered housing	☐						
Bedsit/studios	☐							Bedsit/studios	☐						
Unknown type	☐							Unknown type	☐						
Totals (a + b + c + d + e + f + g) =							Totals (a + b + c + d + e + f + g) =								

Key worker	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total	Key worker	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown				1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	☐							Houses	☐						
Flats and maisonettes	☐							Flats and maisonettes	☐						
Live-work units	☐							Live-work units	☐						
Cluster flats	☐							Cluster flats	☐						
Sheltered housing	☐							Sheltered housing	☐						
Bedsit/studios	☐							Bedsit/studios	☐						
Unknown type	☐							Unknown type	☐						
Totals (a + b + c + d + e + f + g) =							Totals (a + b + c + d + e + f + g) =								

Total proposed residential units (A + B + C + D) =	
Total existing residential units (E + F + G + H) =	

TOTAL NET GAIN or LOSS of RESIDENTIAL UNITS (Proposed Housing Grand Total - Existing Housing Grand Total):

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9. Materials

If applicable, please state what materials are to be used externally. Include type, colour and name for each material:

	Existing (where applicable)	Proposed	Not applicable	Don't Know
Walls		THE AERIAL ROPEWAY OR 'ZIP-WIRE' CONSIST OF A 'TIMBER' SLATTED WALKWAY FROM BALCONY OF EXISTING INDOOR ACTIVITY CENTRE. A 'SETTING-OFF PLATFORM' IN TIMBER SUSPENDED BETWEEN 2ND	☐	☐
Roof		TIMBER TELEGRAPH POLES WITH WITH 4ND TENSILE STEEL CABLE A 'TIMBER' TERMINATION POST WITH 4ND TENSILE STEEL CABLE	☐	☐
Windows		AND A 'ZIP WIRE' CABLE OF 170M MAX LENGTH	☐	☐
Doors		AS EXISTING	☐	☐
Boundary treatments (e.g fences, walls)			☒	☐
Vehicle access and hard-standing			☒	☐
Lighting		N/A	☒	☐
Others (please specify)			☐	☐

Are you supplying additional information on submitted plan(s)/drawing(s)/design and access statement?

☐ Yes☐ No

If Yes, please state references for the plan(s)/drawing(s)/design and access statement:

10. Vehicle Parking

Please provide information on the existing and proposed number of on-site parking spaces:

Type of Vehicle	Total Existing	Total proposed (including spaces retained)	Difference in spaces
Cars	20	20	AS EXISTING
Light goods vehicles/ public carrier vehicles			AS EXISTING
Motorcycles	-		AS EXISTING
Disability spaces	2	2	AS EXISTING
Cycle spaces			AS EXISTING
Other (e.g. Bus)	2 MAX	2 MAX	AS EXISTING
Other (e.g. Bus)			

11. Foul Sewage

Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of:

- ☐ Mains sewer ☐ Cess pit
☐ Septic tank ☐ Other
☐ Package treatment plant

Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, please include the details of the existing system on the application drawings and state references for the plan(s)/drawing(s):

NEITHER FOUL NOR SURFACE
WATER DRAINAGE REQUIRED
FOR AERIAL ROPEWAY

12. Assessment of Flood Risk

Is the site within an area at risk of flooding? (Refer to the Environment Agency's Flood Map showing flood zones 2 and 3 and consult Environment Agency standing advice and your local planning authority requirements for information as necessary.)

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, you will need to submit a Flood Risk Assessment to consider the risk to the proposed site.

Is your proposal within 20 metres of a watercourse (e.g. river, stream or beck)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere? ☐ Yes ☒ No

How will surface water be disposed of?

- ☐ Sustainable drainage system ☐ Existing watercourse
☐ Soakaway ☐ Pond/lake
☐ Main sewer

NO SURFACE
WATER

13. Biodiversity and Geological Conservation

To assist in answering the following questions refer to the guidance notes for further information on when there is a reasonable likelihood that any important biodiversity or geological conservation features may be present or nearby and whether they are likely to be affected by your proposals.

Having referred to the guidance notes, is there a reasonable likelihood of the following being affected adversely or conserved and enhanced within the application site, or on land adjacent to or near the application site?

a) Protected and priority species:

- ☐ Yes, on the development site
☐ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
☒ No

b) Designated sites, important habitats or other biodiversity features:

- ☐ Yes, on the development site
☐ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
☒ No

c) Features of geological conservation importance:

- ☐ Yes, on the development site
☐ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
☒ No

14. Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site:

EXISTING FIELD AND OUTDOOR
ACTIVITY CENTRE

Is the site currently vacant? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, please describe the last use of the site:

When did this use end (if known)?
DD/MM/YYYY

(date where known may be approximate)

Does the proposal involve any of the following?
If yes, you will need to submit an appropriate contamination assessment with your application.

Land which is known to be contaminated? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Land where contamination is suspected for all or part of the site? ☐ Yes ☒ No

A proposed use that would be particularly vulnerable to the presence of contamination? ☐ Yes ☒ No

15. Trees and Hedges

Are there trees or hedges on the proposed development site? ☒ Yes ☐ No

And/or: Are there trees or hedges on land adjacent to the proposed development site that could influence the development or might be important as part of the local landscape character? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes to either or both of the above, you may need to provide a full Tree Survey, at the discretion of your local planning authority. If a Tree Survey is required, this and the accompanying plan should be submitted alongside your application. Your local planning authority should make clear on its website what the survey should contain, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to construction - Recommendations'.

16. Trade Effluent

Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, please describe the nature, volume and means of disposal of trade effluents or waste:

22. Industrial or Commercial Processes and Machinery

Please describe the activities and processes which would be carried out on the site and the end products including plant, ventilation or air conditioning. Please include the type of machinery which may be installed on site:

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Is the proposal a waste management development? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If the answer is Yes, please complete the following table:

	Not applicable	The total capacity of the void in cubic metres, including engineering surcharge and making no allowance for cover or restoration material (or tonnes if solid waste or litres if liquid waste)	Maximum annual operational throughput in tonnes (or litres if liquid waste)
Inert landfill	☐		
Non-hazardous landfill	☐		
Hazardous landfill	☐		
Energy from waste incineration	☐		
Other incineration	☐		
Landfill gas generation plant	☐		
Pyrolysis/gasification	☐		
Metal recycling site	☐		
Transfer stations	☐		
Material recovery/recycling facilities (MRFs)	☐		
Household civic amenity sites	☐		
Open windrow composting	☐		
In-vessel composting	☐		
Anaerobic digestion	☐		
Any combined mechanical, biological and/or thermal treatment (MBT)	☐		
Sewage treatment works	☐		
Other treatment	☐		
Recycling facilities construction, demolition and excavation waste	☐		
Storage of waste	☐		
Other waste management	☐		
Other developments	☐		

Please provide the maximum annual operational throughput of the following waste streams:

Municipal	
Construction, demolition and excavation	
Commercial and industrial	
Hazardous	

If this is a landfill application you will need to provide further information before your application can be determined. Your waste planning authority should make clear what information it requires on its website.

23. Hazardous Substances

Does the proposal involve the use or storage of any of the following materials in the quantities stated below? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☒ Not applicable

If Yes, please provide the amount of each substance that is involved:

Acrylonitrile (tonnes)		Ethylene oxide (tonnes)		Phosgene (tonnes)	
Ammonia (tonnes)		Hydrogen cyanide (tonnes)		Sulphur dioxide (tonnes)	
Bromine (tonnes)		Liquid oxygen (tonnes)		Flour (tonnes)	
Chlorine (tonnes)		Liquid petroleum gas (tonnes)		Refined white sugar (tonnes)	

Other:

Other:

Amount (tonnes):

Amount (tonnes):

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24. Ownership Certificates

One Certificate A, B, C, or D, must be completed, together with the Agricultural Holdings Certificate with this application form

CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP - CERTIFICATE A

Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 Certificate under Article 12
I certify/The applicant certifies that on the day 21 days before the date of this application nobody except myself/the applicant was the owner (owner is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run) of any part of the land or building to which the application relates

Signed - Applicant:

Or signed - Agent:

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

 07. 10. 2011

CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP - CERTIFICATE B

Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 Certificate under Article 12
I certify/ The applicant certifies that I have/the applicant has given the requisite notice to everyone else (as listed below) who, on the day 21 days before the date of this application, was the owner (owner is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run) of any part of the land or building to which this application relates

Name of Owner	Address	Date Notice Served

Signed - Applicant:

Or signed - Agent:

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP - CERTIFICATE C

Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 Certificate under Article 12
I certify/ The applicant certifies that:

- Neither Certificate A or B can be issued for this application
- All reasonable steps have been taken to find out the names and addresses of the other owners (owner is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run) of the land or building, or of a part of it, but I have/ the applicant has been unable to do so

The steps taken were:

Name of Owner	Address	Date Notice Served

Notice of the application has been published in the following newspaper (circulating in the area where the land is situated):

On the following date (which must not be earlier than 21 days before the date of the application):

Signed - Applicant:

Or signed - Agent:

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

24. Ownership Certificates (continued)

CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP - CERTIFICATE D

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Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 Certificate under Article 12

I certify/ The applicant certifies that:

- Certificate A cannot be issued for this application
- All reasonable steps have been taken to find out the names and addresses of everyone else who, on the day 21 days before the date of this application, was the owner (owner is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run) of any part of the land to which this application relates, but I have/ the applicant has been unable to do so

The steps taken were:

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Notice of the application has been published in the following newspaper (circulating in the area where the land is situated):

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On the following date (which must not be earlier than 21 days before the date of the application):

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Signed - Applicant:

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Or signed - Agent:

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Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

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25. Agricultural Land Declaration

AGRICULTURAL LAND DECLARATION

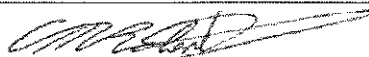
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010 Certificate under Article 12
Agricultural Land Declaration - You Must Complete Either A or B

(A) None of the land to which the application relates is, or is part of, an agricultural holding.

Signed - Applicant:

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Or signed - Agent:



Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

07/01/2011

(B) I have/ The applicant has given the requisite notice to every person other than myself/ the applicant who, on the day 21 days before the date of this application, was a tenant of an agricultural holding on all or part of the land to which this application relates, as listed below:

Name of Tenant	Address	Date Notice Served

Signed - Applicant:

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Or signed - Agent:

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Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

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26. Planning Application Requirements - Checklist

Please read the following checklist to make sure you have sent all the information in support of your proposal. Failure to submit all information required will result in your application being deemed invalid. It will not be considered valid until all information required by the Local Planning Authority has been submitted.

The original and 3 copies of a completed and dated application form:

☐

The correct fee:

☐

The original and 3 copies of the plan which identifies the land to which the application relates drawn to an identified scale and showing the direction of North:

☐

The original and 3 copies of a design and access statement, if required (see help text and guidance notes for details):

☐

The original and 3 copies of other plans and drawings or information necessary to describe the subject of the application:

☐

The original and 3 copies of the completed, dated Ownership Certificate (A, B, C, or D - as applicable):

☐

The original and 3 copies of the completed, dated Article 12 Certificate (Agricultural Holdings):

☐

27. Declaration

I/we hereby apply for planning permission/consent as described in this form and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

Signed - Applicant:

Or signed - Agent:

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

07. 10. 2011

(date cannot be pre-application)

28. Applicant Contact Details

Telephone numbers:

Country code:

National number:

Extension number:

Country code:

Mobile number (optional):

Country code:

Fax number (optional):

Email address (optional):

29. Agent Contact Details

Telephone numbers:

Country code:

National number:

Extension number:

Country code:

Mobile number (optional):

Country code:

Fax number (optional):

Email address (optional):

charles.roberts@lancashire.gov.uk

30. 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? (Please select only one)

☐ Agent

☐ Applicant

☒ Other (if different from the agent/applicant's details)

If Other has been selected please provide:

Contact name:

Telephone number:

Email address:

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Health & Safety Comments

Date	Ref	Notes

LONGRIDGE

HOTHERSALL LODGE

HOTHERSALL LANE, HOTHERSALL,

LONGRIDGE, PRESTON, PR3 2XB

PROPOSED AERIAL ROPEWAY /

ZIP WIRE

SITE LOCATION PLAN

Scale 1:500

Drawn by CHS

Checked by PM

Date 18.10.2011



Corporate Property Group

Office of the Chief Executive

HEADQUARTERS:

Cuninghame House, Preston, PR1 3SE

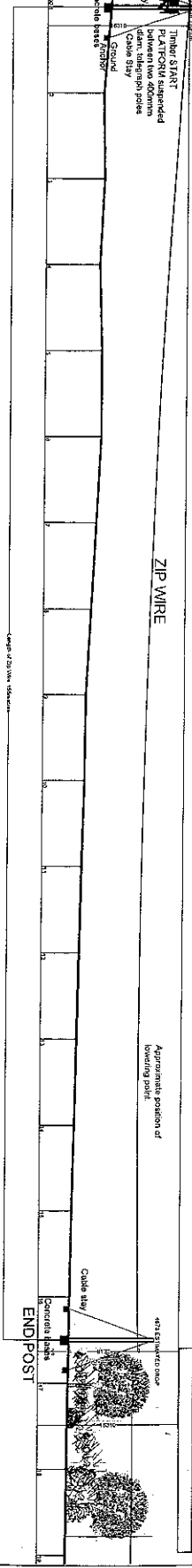
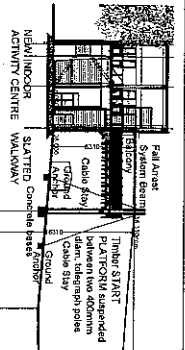
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Project No: NC002650

Drawn by: Z5

Checked by: PM

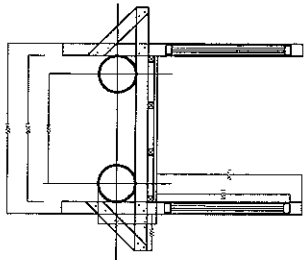
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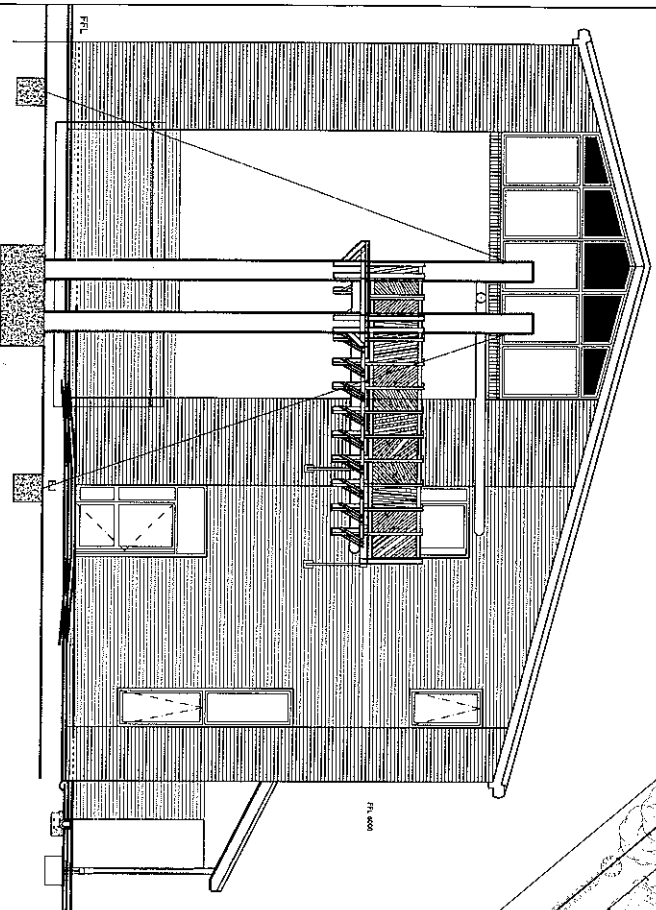
SECTION THROUGH SITE AND ELEVATION OF AERIAL ROPEWAY

SCALE 1:500

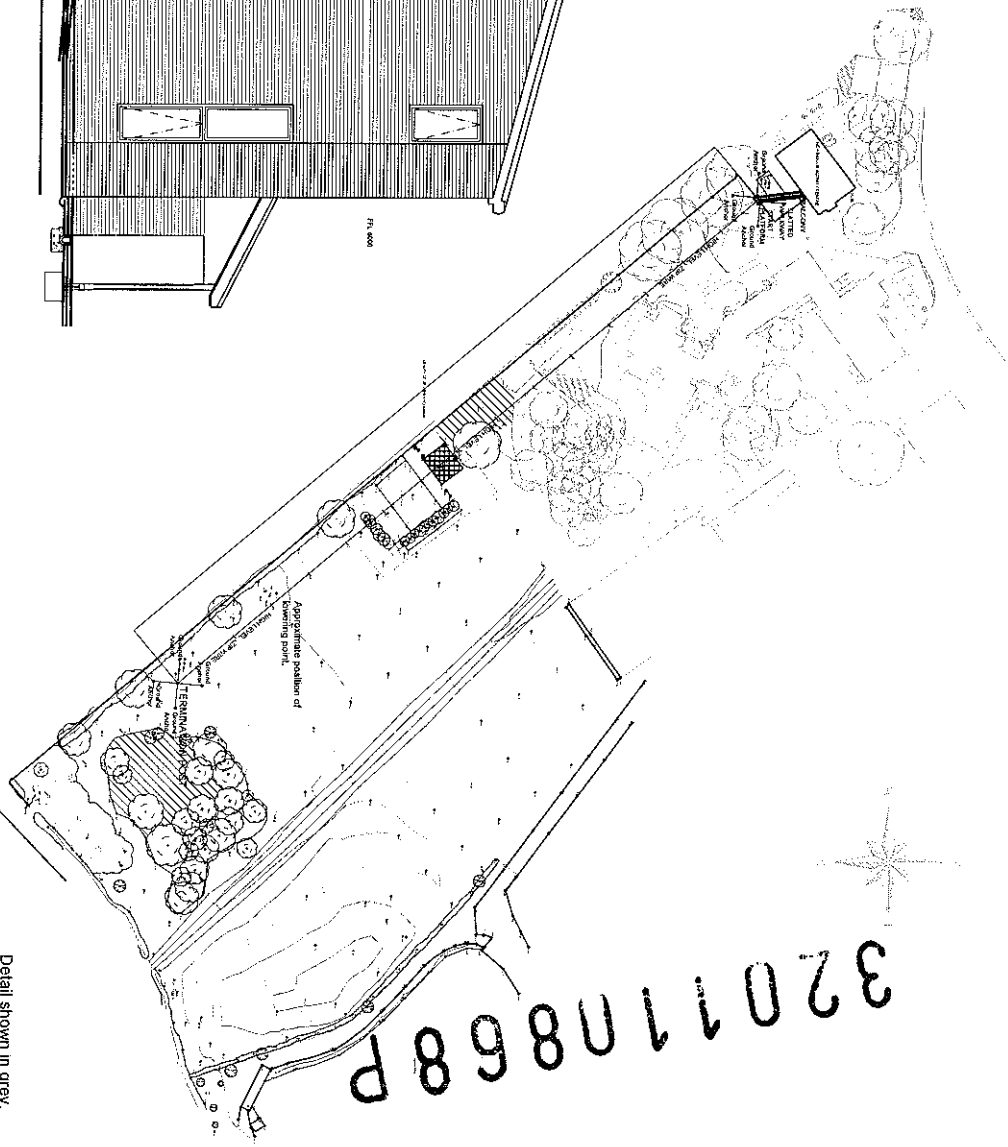
SLATTED WALKWAY - DESCRIPTION
 2100, 300mm dia. (TBC) horizontal telegraph poles at 900mm centres spanning from Indoor Activity Building to 2100 400mm dia. (TBC) vertical telegraph poles (seated in steel shoes bolted to concrete pad foundation and stabilised with cable stays).
 Pairs of 100 x 50mm sw timber main beams spanning between the telegraph poles at 300mm centres.
 75 x 25mm sw timber joists and kneed with 75 x 25mm sw timber studs bolted to posts and beams. 50 x 75mm sw joists spanning 850mm between beams, at 400mm max centres. 150 x 25mm sw planks with 20mm gaps between to allow rainwater to run off.
 All timber sizes to be confirmed.
 Balustrade to be fabricated from 60 x 44mm sw horizontal and bottom rail spanning between vertical posts with 10mm planks of varying widths and at 100mm centres between, but with no gaps in excess of 100mm wide so that a sphere of 100mm cannot pass through.



TYPICAL SECTION THROUGH SLATTED WALKWAY SCALE 1:20



START PLATFORM AND SLATTED WALKWAY WITH INDOOR ACTIVITY CENTRE BEHIND SCALE 1:50



SITE PLAN SCALE 1:500

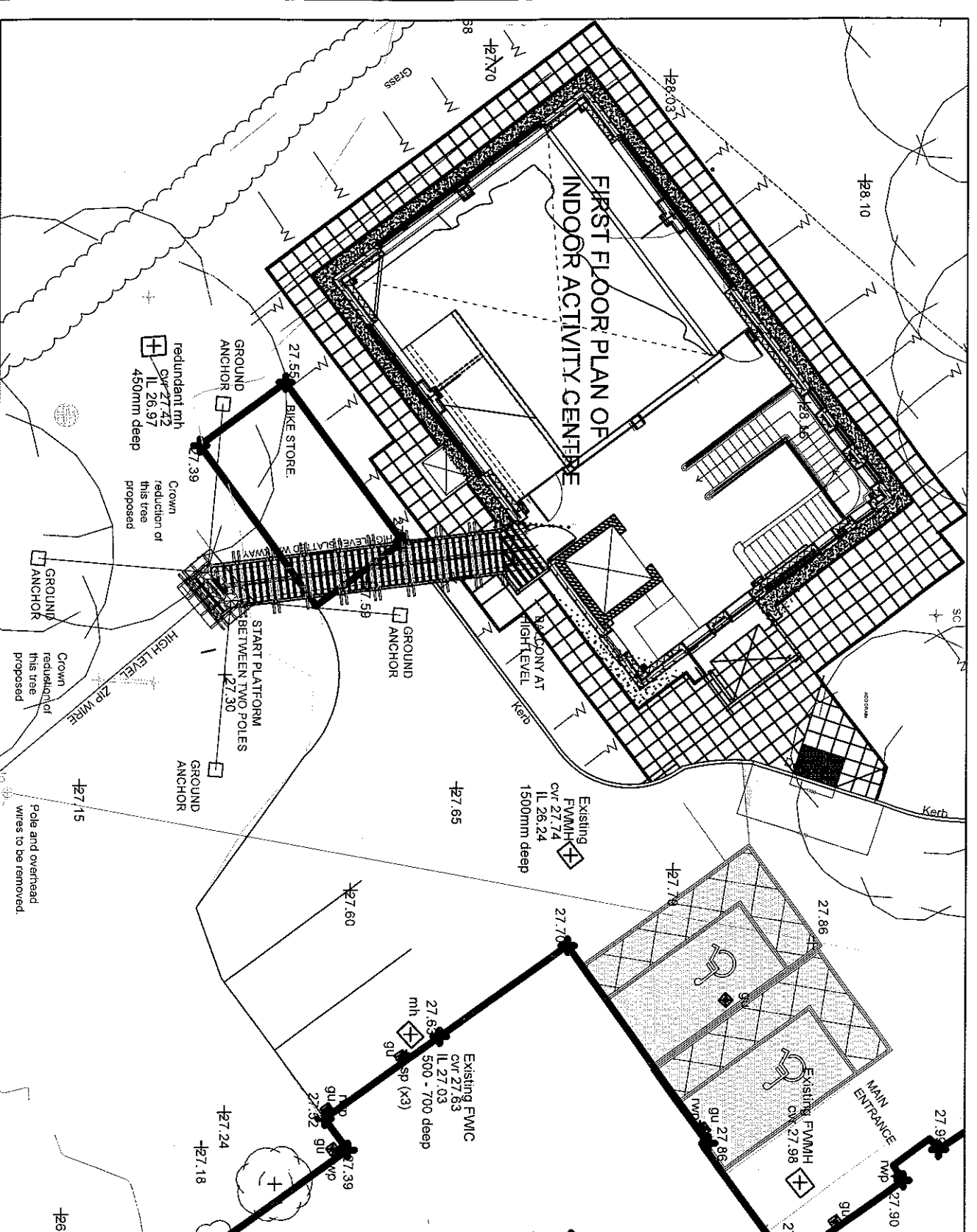
Detail shown in grey, surveyed in August 2010

LEVELS RELATIVE TO OS DATUM ACHIEVED IN 2007/2008. ORIENTATION TO OS GRID. DETAIL SHOWN GREY SURVEYED IN AUGUST 2010.

Health & Safety Comments 	
Property Group Lancashire County Council	
Responsible Director Head of Planning Planning and Regeneration Tel: 01524 531000 Fax: 01524 531044	
Project Name PROPOSAL FOR AERIAL ROPEWAY / ZIP WIRE HOTHERSALL LANE, HOTHERSALL, LANCASHIRE PR8 2XB	
Project Details INDOOR ACTIVITY CENTRE - PROPOSAL FOR AERIAL ROPEWAY / ZIP WIRE SITE PLAN OF PROPOSED AERIAL ROPEWAY WITH SITE SECTION AND ELEVATION OF START PLATFORM	
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DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

Job No. NC002650

AERIAL ROPEWAY / ZIP WIRE FOR HOTHERSALL LODGE FIELD CENTRE

HOTHERSALL LANE, HOTHERSALL, LONGRIDGE, PRESTON PR3 2XB.

LOCATION

Hothersall Lodge is a residential Outdoor Education and Activity Centre located some 10 miles east of Preston, between Longridge and Ribchester, close to the River Ribble. It is approached from the B6245 at Hothersall down a country lane for some 2 mile (Hothersall Lane), which becomes narrower as one winds down into the Ribble Valley until it is a single track. Hothersall Lodge is on the right at a bend with only a farm beyond, which is where the road comes to an end.

BACKGROUND

Originally Hothersall Lodge was a Police Training Centre but has been operating as an Outdoor Education Centre since the 1960s. The original buildings have been removed over the years and, with the recent completion of the Indoor Activity Centre, the present buildings range from the 1970s (main building), 80s (laboratories) and 90s (extensions) through to the present day.

The centre consists of a main block of reception, dining area and kitchen facilities, with other buildings containing dormitory accommodation, laboratories for investigation and research, class and meeting rooms equipped with audio visual equipment, and areas contributing to IT.

Hothersall Lodge offers a variety of outdoor activities for children and collective youth groups, able bodied and disabled, of Primary school age (7-11 years old): archery, canoeing, gorge scrambling, mountain biking, orienteering, obstacle courses, and treasure hunts in addition to the conventional team games. These activities are all carried out under the supervision of qualified and experienced staff. With the new Indoor Activity Centre nearing completion, climbing, absailing and caving will soon be added to the list of activities.

Children can visit for a day or stay for up to a week. Two classes of thirty children can be accommodated. For many this will be their first time away from home giving them the opportunity to build new relationships, become familiar with different environments and take part in positive activities. The children tend to be divided into groups of about ten, each group being taken off to do different activities

To further enhance facilities at the Centre, the Directorate of Children and Young People now wish to add an Aerial Ropeway or Zip Wire to the facilities. This is to complement the existing activities rather than increase the number of users on site at any one time. And therefore no increased parking requirements are envisaged.

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TRANSPORT

While there is public transport along the B6245 between Ribchester and Longridge there is no public transport down Hothersall Lane, so children are generally brought down to the centre or by the two Minibuses that are kept at the centre or by hired coaches of varying sizes.

Reversing a large coach off the narrow lane in order to turn round can be quite a challenge but fortunately it is a very quiet lane apart from the daily tanker visiting the farm to collect the milk.

LANDSCAPING

Hothersall Lodge Field Centre is in a wooded setting in the rural Ribble Valley. There are clumps of trees near to the boundaries to the north-west and the south-east and in the middle of the site. There is also a row of mature trees along the south-western boundary where the Aerial Ropeway route is proposed.

It is proposed to carry out minimum selective crown reduction to four Sycamores along this boundary in order for users of the Aerial Ropeway to pass the trees safely, but the close proximity of the trees is all part of the excitement, enhancing the feeling of relative speed. One further tree lower down the site may also need some attention but it is believed that the Zip Wire will pass over the top of this one.

The land below the proposed route is generally grass land with a clump of trees and bushes. At present there is the archery range, a Polytunnel-type greenhouse and the Septic Tank below the route. Consideration is to be given to relocating the archery range or simply using it only when the Zip Wire is not in use.

There will be no deleterious effect to the landscaping below the Zip Wire, and enhancement of the already rural wooded and grassy landscape is considered unnecessary.

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THE EXPERIENCE

The new Indoor Activity Centre is to be the starting point. Upon entering the building safety harnesses and helmets will be fitted. The group will proceed up the staircase (or use the lift) to the first floor Break-Out Area where they will be briefed on the procedure (including self-lowering operation) and safety precautions. One person at time will be taken to the first floor balcony and the individual will proceed along the horizontal Slatted Walkway towards the Start Platform, a distance of about 9m at 5m above the ground. Here final safety checks will be made and the instructor will attach the Zip Wire karabiners (screw-gate or lock-in type) to the safety harness. The Walkway is designed with wheelchair access to the Start Platform in mind.

When ready, (final check) the individual will launch themselves from the Start Platform to zip at speeds of up to 20mph along the Aerial Ropeway for some 170m – an exhilarating experience. The user will slow down naturally due to the catenary shape of the wire, and the system will be designed so that one does not actually reach the end but slows to a stop, then returns to the lowest point where an instructor will supervise the self-lowering operation.

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DESIGN

The Aerial Ropeway is to run for some 155m parallel with the south-west boundary of the field centre, starting from first floor balcony of the new Indoor Activity Centre, along a slatted walkway across to the Start Platform and, from there, along the Zip-Wire at speed towards the Termination Post at the far end of the site.

The overall effect of the Aerial Ropeway elements will be simple and rustic using a combination of chunky timber with steel cables.

The Starting Platform will take the form of a timber deck spanning between, and cantilevering from two large section (400mm nom) vertical telegraph poles seated in metal shoes bolted onto concrete bases. Each will be braced by tensile cables which will run down to ground anchors which, subject to ground conditions, may be connected to concrete footings.

The Balcony to the Indoor Activity Centre and the Slatted Walkway will be supported by two horizontal logs spanning from the building to the vertical telegraph poles. Timber posts will support a safety rail with deliberately inconsistent timber slats at varying angles to give an ad hoc impression.

The Termination Post in the far south-western corner of the site will again be a large section telegraph pole seated in a metal shoe bolted down to a concrete foundation and braced by four tensile cables, connected to concrete footings.

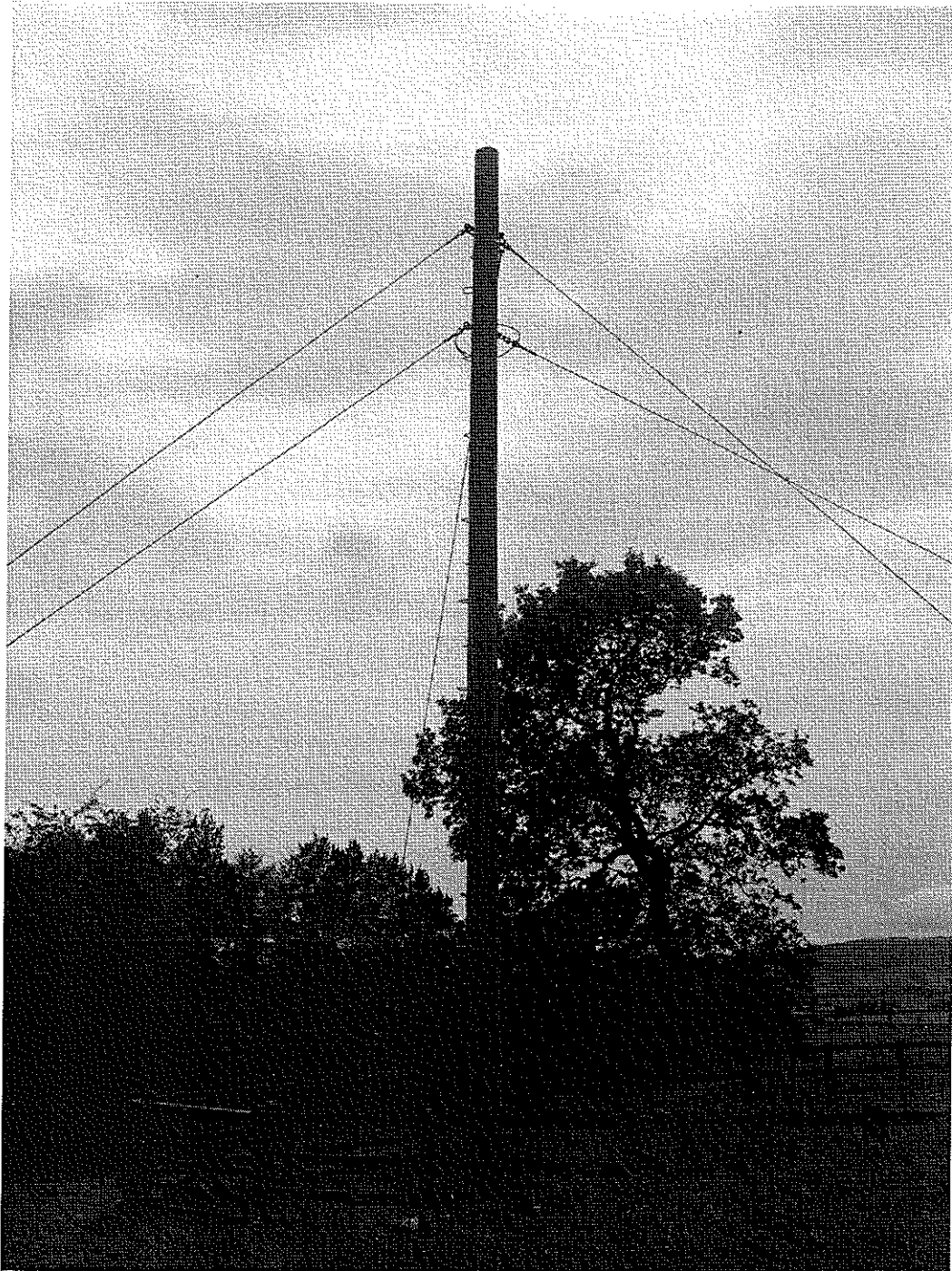
When the Zip Wire is not in use the cable itself is completely innocuous and barely visible. When in use it will provide an exhilarating experience.

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View from the Balcony at First Floor level. The Slatted Walkway will crank over to the right, the Start Platform will be this side of the timber posts, and the Zip Wire will run parallel with the boundary on the right, passing between the trees and the building. (The blue site cabins are temporary.)

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Typical Termination Post with cable stays.

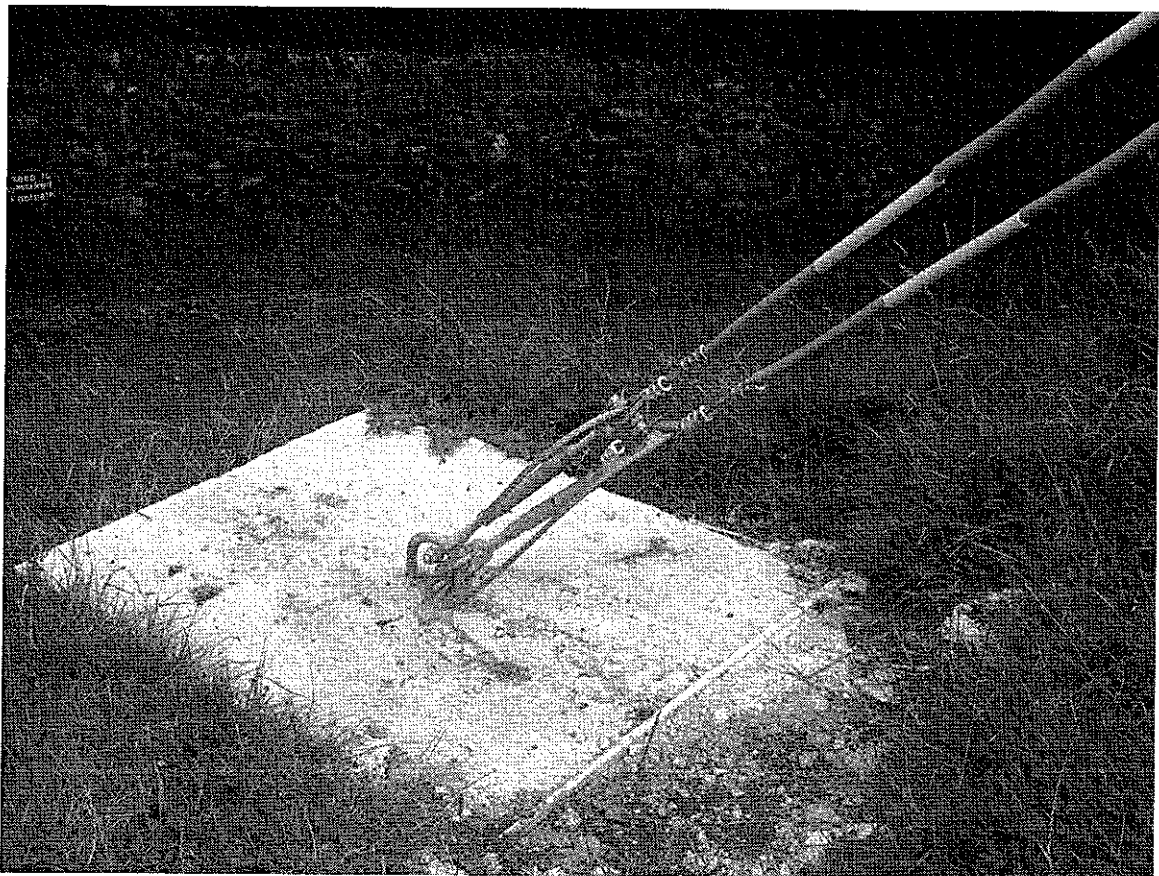
This one is at Waddow Hall near Clitheroe.

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Typical steel shoe for telegraph pole, bolted to concrete base.

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Typical Ground Anchor with tensile cable stay and concrete base if necessary.

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ACCESS FOR DISABLED

The Indoor Activity Centre is already fully DDA compliant with two parking places for the disabled, automatic opening main entrance door, level access, disabled WC with hoist and accessible shower, and a ten person passenger lift with 1100 x 1400mm cabin.

A wheelchair can be taken through the door at first floor level onto the external balcony and along the Slatted Walkway. Two tracks are to be installed on the horizontal Slatted Walkway which will be positioned to take the wheels of a wheelchair in order to get the user to the Setting-off Platform. A second method under consideration is that the disabled user could be hoisted out of the chair and transported along a fall arrest system to the Start Platform. Here the karabiners are fitted to the harness and the trip on the Zip-Wire is, literally, straight forward. A wheelchair will await the user once they have lowered themselves down at the stop position.

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Dear Sirs Aerial Ropeway/Zip Wire for Hothersall Lodge Field Centre,
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With general reference to Application No: 03/10/0872, the Indoor Activity Centre for Hothersall Lodge, which is nearing completion, we now enclose the following documentation as our Planning Application for an Aerial Ropeway/Zip Wire in association with that building:

i. Application for Planning Permission (Town and Country Planning Act 1990),
duly completed and signed.

ii. Drawing nos:

NC002650-A-Z1 – Site Plan of Proposed Aerial Ropeway with Site
Section and Elevation of Start Platform. Scale 1:500, 1:50

NC002650-A-Z2 – Part Site Plan – North (1 of 2) of Aerial Ropeway and
Elevation of Walkway and Start Platform . Scale 1:200, 1:50

NC002650-A-Z3 – Part Site Plan – South (2 of 2) of Aerial Ropeway with
Elevation of Termination Point. Scale 1:200, 1:50

NC002650-A-Z4 – Site Plan showing Start Platform and Slatted Walkway in
Relation to Activity Centre. Scale 1:50

iii. Design and Access Statement.

We understand that an Application for Full Planning Permission incurs a £170.00 Fee. We have requested that the appropriate journal transfer for this application as follows:

DEBIT: the sum of £170.00 from Code: CETH 30106
CREDIT: the sum of £170.00 to Code: C790980

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We trust that we have provided sufficient information for you to process the application, however, should you have any queries or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact the writer on ex: 38290.

Yours faithfully

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