

Ribble Valley Borough Council
Development Control
Council Offices Church Walk
Clitheroe
Lancashire
BB7 2RA

Our ref: NO/2012/103739/01-L01
Your ref: 3/2012/0359P
Date: 07 June 2012

- 7 JUN 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

**PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF AGRICULTURAL BUILDING FOR STABLES
AND A 40M X 20M MENAGE. CLOSE OFF EXISTING FIELD GATE AND
CONSTRUCT A NEW FIELD ACCESS, GRAVEL TRACK AND 6 PARKING
SPACES
LAND ADJACENT TO WOODFOLD PARK, FURTHER LANE, MELLOR,
LANCASHIRE**

Thank you for consulting us on the above application, we have the following comments to make:

INFORMATIVE

The proposed development must fully comply with the terms of The Water Resources (Control of Pollution) (Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oil) (England) Regulations 2010 and The Code of Good Agricultural Practice (COGAP) for the protection of water, soil and air (produced by DEFRA).

The Environment Agency must be informed of a new, reconstructed or enlarged slurry store, silage clamp or fuel stores at least 14 days before the structure is brought into use. Further guidance is available on our website and the applicant will need to complete WQE3: New or improved agricultural structures form which can be obtained from the Environment Agency.

Only clean surface water from roofs and paved areas should be discharged to any surface water soakaway.

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Manure should be managed in accordance with The Code of Good Agricultural Practice (COGAP) for the protection of water, soil and air (produced by DEFRA). Permanent stores for solid horse manure should have bases that do not let liquids pass through and the bases

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should slope such that liquid run-off is contained within the store. Applicants should consider providing a roof to keep rainfall off the manure to minimise the volume of liquids produced and reduce odour by keeping the manure as dry as possible.

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Manure should not be stored or applied

- within 10 metres of any ditch, pond or surface water
- within 50 metres of any spring, well, borehole or reservoir that supplies water for human consumption or for farm dairies

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Manure is not subject to waste controls whenever it is used as a fertiliser on land for benefit. It can be used as a fertiliser without the need to register an exemption and moved without a waste carrier registration. The Code of Good Agricultural Practice (COGAP) for the protection of water, soil and air recommends that manure should not be applied when:

- the soil is waterlogged
- the soil is frozen hard
- the field is covered in snow
- the soil is cracked down to field drains or backfill
- the field has been pipe or mole drained or subsoiled over drains in the last 12 months
- heavy rain is forecast within the next 48 hours
- on very steep slopes where run-off is a high risk throughout the year

Yours faithfully

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