



MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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Your Reference: 3/2012/0402
Our Reference: DE/C/SUT/43/10/1/17278

Dear Mr Thorpe

DIO Reference Number: 17278

Site Name: Mason House Farm

Application Number: 3/2012/0402

Proposal: Erection of 1 Wind Turbine

Site: Clitheroe Road, Bashall Eves

Thank you for consulting the Ministry of Defence (MOD) on the above Planning Application dated 18 September 2012.

I am writing to tell you that the MOD has no objection to the proposal.

The application is for 1 turbine at 19.2 metres to blade tip. This has been assessed using the grid reference below as submitted in your pro-forma.

Turbine	100km Square Letter	Easting	Northing
1	SD	68783	43847

The principal safeguarding concern of the MOD with respect to the development of wind turbines relates to their potential to create a physical obstruction to air traffic movements and cause interference to Air Traffic Control and Air Defence radar installations.

Defence Infrastructure Organisation Safeguarding wishes to be consulted and notified of the progression of planning applications and submissions relating to this proposal to verify that it will not adversely affect defence interests.

If planning permission is granted you must tell us;

- the date construction starts and ends;
- the maximum height of construction equipment;
- the latitude and longitude of every turbine.

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This information is vital as it will be plotted on flying charts to make sure that military aircraft avoid this area.

If the application is altered in any way we must be consulted again as even the slightest change could unacceptably affect us.

I hope this adequately explains our position on the matter. If you require further information or would like to discuss this matter further please do not hesitate to contact me.

Further information about the effects of wind turbines on MOD interests can be obtained from the following websites:

MOD: <http://www.mod.uk/DefenceInternet/MicroSite/DIO/WhatWeDo/Operations/ModSafeguarding.htm>

Restats: <https://restats.decc.gov.uk/cms/aviation-safeguarding-maps/>

RenewableUK: <http://www.bwea.com/aviation/index.html>

Yours sincerely

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