



Ribble Valley Borough Council

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR AGRICULTURAL APPLICATIONS

Applicant Name: J & M Bleby
Application Site: Spencers Farm
Holding Number: 21 653 0044
Proposed Development: Conversion of redundant building to

Please answer all parts to this form

1. Land

Total Area of Holding: (Hectares) 88
Owned: (Hectares) 60
Rented: (Hectares) 28
If rented, type of tenancy: (AHA, FBT) N/A. Rented - grazing licence
Land Use: (Hectares) Pasture: 63 Meadow: 25
Crop: All grass
Land Quality: (DA/SDA/NVZ) SDA

2. Enterprise

Dairy Cows: — Sheep (ewes): 200
Dairy cattle in calf: — Other Sheep: 40 Heggies
Beef Cows: 35 Location of Lambing: Indoor + Outdoor
Bulls: — Sows: —
Other Cattle: 120 (Store + followers) Other Pigs: —
Poultry: — Other Livestock: —
Crops (Type): All grass

Is the proposed development designed for the purposes of agriculture? (Please explain how)

Farm diversification

Are there any future plans that are relevant to the proposed development? (Expansion of herd/ diversification ect.)

Small farm tourism enterprise.
Self catering

5. Any further information

The economics of commodity based agriculture + the gradual phasing out of BPS means alternative sources of income must be generated.

3. Farm Buildings & Machinery

Existing Farm Buildings:

(sizes, type and use) _____

Traditional barn

Modern steel frame x 2

1960's shipper

Farm Machinery:

(type and use) _____

Partial range of tractors + equipment for
an all grassland unit

Existing Slurry Capacity:

Solid based urine
system

4. Details of the proposed development

Is the proposal reasonably required for the
purposes of agriculture? (Please explain why)

Farm diversification required to enable a
small family unit to remain viable.

A redundant building is capable of conversion.