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Site Address: Land At Ball Green Farm Woodhouse Lane Brown Edge Staffordshire
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Comments: I worked on this farm from a young age and have had the pleasure to visit many times over the years. The family has looked after the farm for over half a century. Over time I¿ve seen the farm slowly expand and improve the facilities but always for the benefit of the animals.

Over the years farming has become much more difficult to make a profit and without expansion there is always a chance of farmers taking the easy option and selling the land for housing development. I wonder what people would think of their views when it¿s of a large housing estate and not the beautiful countryside views that there are currently.

We should remember to support our farmers and if we wish to be a more self sufficient country without the need to import everything, then supporting the families that choose to take up this extremely challenging profession is required.

I have visited other dairy farms and would say that this is the cleanest dairy farm that I¿ve ever visited. People should visit other similar farms to really appreciate the effort that this family puts in with long hours and hard work to keep the farm in such a good condition.