

**SUPPORTING STATEMENT IN RELATION TO THE ERECTION OF A ROOF
COVER OVER THE EXISTING SLURRY STORE**

AT

**HUDDALE FARM, CALTON, WATERHOUSES, STOKE-ON-TRENT, ST10
3LQ**

ON BEHALF OF

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1. INTRODUCTION

This statement has been prepared to support a full planning application to Staffordshire Moorlands District Council in relation to the erection of a roof cover over the existing slurry store.

This proposal is supported under the Catchment Sensitive Farming Scheme to improve water quality on dairy farms.

2. SITE ANALYSIS & NEED FOR A ROOF COVER

Huddale Farm is an established family dairy and sheep farm extending to approximately 380 acres (153.75 hectares) with approximately 240 head of cattle and 150 ewes.

This scheme will provide a roof cover over the existing slurry store to enable rainwater to be separated and diverted from the store.

Open slurry stores collect a substantial amount of rainwater throughout the year which could be separated if a roof cover was installed. Included in this application is a copy of the Rivers Trust Guidance which provides further information on how farmers are being encouraged to target water pollution.

Huddale Farm is within the White Peak Catchment with the River Hamps being the nearest watercourse. The Catchment Sensitive Farming Officer has already visited the farm and confirmed support for this proposal.



3. DESIGN PRINCIPLES

3.1. SCALE

The proposed roof cover has been designed to cover the existing store.

3.2. USE

The proposed structure will provide a canopy over the existing store.

3.3. SITING AND LANDSCAPING

The proposed roof cover is located adjacent to the existing dairy complex and slurry storage. The topography of the land surrounding the site minimises the impact of the proposed structure on the surrounding area. The proposed structure is within the existing farm complex.

3.4. DESIGN DETAIL

The scheme is illustrated on the following plans-

1. Location Plan – Huddale-001
2. Block Plan - Huddale-002
3. Elevation, Roof and Floor Plan - Huddale-003

4. ACCESS

There will be no change to the existing access to the farmstead.

5. BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN (BNG)

The proposed site is within the existing farm complex and comprises concrete and hardstanding with a baseline biodiversity value of 0.