



# Defence Infrastructure Organisation

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Arne Swithenbank  
Staffordshire Moorlands District Council

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Dear Mr Swithenbank

**Please quote in any correspondence: DIO/SUT/43/10/1/21872**

**Site Name: Rock House Farm**

**Proposal: Erection of 1 Wind Turbine**

**Planning Application Number: SMD/2015/0010**

**Site Address: Dog Lane, Ipstones Edge, Ipstones**

Thank you for consulting the Ministry of Defence (MOD) on the above Planning Application in your communication dated 19/01/2015.

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

The application is for 1 turbine at 17.75 metres to blade tip. This has been assessed using the grid references below as submitted in the planning application or in the developers' or your pro-forma.

Turbine	100km Square letter	Easting	Northing
1	SK	04227	51132

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 we would like to be advised of the following prior to commencement of construction;

- the date construction starts and ends;

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

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:** <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/wind-farms-ministry-of-defence-safeguarding>

Yours sincerely

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