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Good morning Tracey,

Thank you for time yesterday!

As discussed, supporting evidence for planning application H16-0020-17

Please find attached:

Letter from MJL
Photo's of the compaction containers

With regard to the question you raised yesterday on insulation… We will be following the necessary building regs. Or what we are specified from the planning permission, however I would expect minimum 80mm composite panels for the roof & 75-100mm fibreglass built up twin skin walls.

The proposed building is to be a 2nd hand/re-used steel framework

Overview

Our business operates from the site known as Branton's Bridge, Bourne rd, Pode Hole. We are an integral part of the MJL group, which consists of 3 divisions:

Welding/Fabrication
Blast cleaning/painting
Corporate logo's/safety signage

The operation employs an experienced, long-standing workforce of around 25 employees.

The main volume of work for us collectively, is waste container refurbishment, & until recently the flow of work throughout the site has been managed at an acceptable level for all concerned. Until our main customer – 'Biffa Waste Services' announced last year that they would need us to offer service work on their large fleet of rollonof/compaction containers.

We have been working on these units for the last 6-8 months with some success, but at the same time this has caused a number of site issues – something which we have constantly been seeking to improve.

The volume of this work has now reached a level, that with regard to the blast cleaning, we simply cannot keep up with demand.

Although the current facility is somewhat effective, it was never designed for this size of container, nor indeed for the sheer quantity of work, which is causing problems.

So what we are currently left with, is a site imbalance (a 'bottle neck) created by the lack of throughput on the blast cleaning side, we simply cannot keep up with the other areas of the group.

We have invested heavily, in a state of the art, multiple user blast room facility absolutely ideal for the application blasting large containers. If given the go-ahead this could potentially quadruple our throughput!

The facility was basically rescued from a well renowned container company that had gone out of business due to losing a major contract, which we took a chance on as it was too good an opportunity to let it pass us by.

Our proposed planning application is for the housing of this blasting equipment & the addition of a large paint facility to complement the blasting room.

By obtaining the necessary planning permission, this should also massively improve all site conditions & flow, & also from a logistics point of view, artic lorries will have good access & be able to drive down to the building in forward gear, turn in the ample yard, off load & leave the site in forward gear.

We also believe there should be no detrimental effect to local residents as the proposed facility will be quite a bit further from any residential dwellings than the current facility.

Relocation has been an on-going topic of conversation over the past 6 months, however this is just not a viable option for us at the present time , partly due to the cost of re-locating, but mainly due to the massive disruption in service.

Our main focus is on securing the Biffa work for the next 10 years. As with many large companies, they want a 'One stop shop' & refuse to cherry pick odd items from one company & use someone else for the rest. They simply take the view if you cannot offer the range of services/volumes on deadline, then they go to someone who can.

We are forecasting that this facility will potentially create 7-10 new jobs.

If you require anything further from me, please don't hesitate to ask!

Please acknowledge receipt.

Best regards,

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