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Proposed Erection of a New Building at the Hazlehead Site of Wavin UK (Holdings) Ltd to Provide Weather Protection for Site Employees

Hazlehead has been an industrial site for approximately 150 years during which time it has been used for a variety of mining and manufacturing purposes culminating in the manufacture, storage and distribution of vitrified clay pipes.

The site despatches approximately 25 vehicles per day and the recent increases in transport costs and reductions in sales volumes have forced a review to ensure the sustainability of the operation. The proposed new transport solution involves the use of larger double deck curtain sided trailers which significantly reduce the mileage travelled during the delivery process. This solution does however involve a considerable health & safety concern for site personnel regarding the risk of trailer curtains being blown by high winds during opening and closing. Hazlehead is situated at approximately 330 metres above sea level and therefore exposed to the very extremes of weather conditions.

The proposed building is to provide a protected, drive through area for the opening and closing of the trailer curtains. The structure is a modular building (supplied by Smart-Space Instant Buildings) constructed from a dual skin heavy duty fire retardant PVC roof and sheet metal side walls. The building is light grey in colour and therefore will match the majority of existing site structures.

The building will be located on existing tarmac yard surface and will not require any additional roadways either on site or linking to the public highway



The only requirement for services would be a 3 phase electrical supply for operation of internal lighting and roller shutter doors. This will be installed via our existing site electrical network.

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The building will be used intermittently between 06:00 & 22:00 Monday to Friday dependant upon the requirements of the loading operation. The noise implications to local residents will be minimal as this is already an existing work area and the only equipment associated with the building will be 2 electric roller shutter doors.

The location for the new structure is adjacent to a bank of well matured trees which will seclude the building from the view of local residents and the near by public highway.

