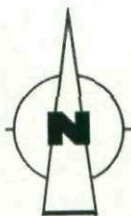


**GOVERNMENT PIPELINES & STORAGE SYSTEM**

**PLANNING APPLICATION FOR THE  
INSTALLATION OF A SLOPS TANK &  
CONSTRUCTION OF AN EXTENDED  
CONCRETE BUND AT THE MINISTRY OF  
DEFENCE'S PETROLEUM STORAGE  
DEPOT AT BLACKMOOR**

**JANUARY 2010**



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**BLACKMOOR PSD  
HUNSHELF, SOUTH YORKSHIRE  
SLOPS TANK INSTALLATION  
DATE: JANUARY 2010  
SCALE: 1/50,000 @ A4  
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# CERTIFICATE B

## UNDER SECTION 66 OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT

I hereby certify that:

1. The requisite Notice No. 1 has been given to the owner(s) of the land to which the application relates at the beginning of the period of 21 days before the date of the accompanying application

Name and address of owner

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, C/O DEFENCE ESTATES, OPS NORTH, STIRLING HOUSE,  
DENNY END ROAD, WATERBEACH, CAMBS. CB25 9QE

Date of Service of Notice No. 1 6th JANUARY 2010

2. None of the land to which the application relates constitutes or forms part of an agricultural holding.

Signed [Signature] 6.01.2010

(On behalf of) OIL + PIPELINES AGENCY

# NOTICE No 1

## UNDER SECTION 66 OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT

An application for planning permission is being made to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council and you are owner/part owner of the application site.

Address of application site

BLACKMOOR PSD, SHEFFIELD RD, NR THURGOLAND, YORKS.

Description of proposed development

SLOPS TANK

Name and address of applicant

OPA, YORK HOUSE, 23 KINGSWAY, LONDON, WC2B 6UJ

If you wish to make representations on this proposal, please do so within 3 weeks of receiving this notice to Planning and Transportation Service, Central Offices, Kendray Street, Barnsley S70 2TN

Signed [Signature] Date 6.01.2010

(On behalf of) OIL + PIPELINES AGENCY



**GOVERNMENT PIPELINES AND STORAGE SYSTEM**

**PETROLEUM STORAGE DEPOT AT BLACKMOOR, NR  
THURGOLAND, YORKSHIRE.**

## **SUPPORTING STATEMENT**

**TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE APPLICATION  
MADE BY FISHER GERMAN LLP ON BEHALF OF THE OIL  
AND PIPELINES AGENCY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A  
SLOPS TANK**

**DATE: 6<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2010**

## **Introduction**

This report is to be read in conjunction with enclosed planning application submitted to Barnsley Metropolitan Council on the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2010 for installation of a slops tank and extended bund at the Ministry of Defence's petroleum storage depot at Blackmoor near Thurgoland, South Yorkshire. Below is supporting information for the above proposed development.

## **Reasons for the Work**

The slops tank is a vessel required as part of the pipeline network to receive product when pipelines are cleared for repair and maintenance works to be undertaken. There is not currently a suitable slops tank situated on the site and urgent maintenance works are required to the pipelines that feed the depot. It is therefore necessary for a tank to be installed on site otherwise repairs to the pipelines will not be possible. If pipeline repairs are not carried out the pipeline may fail which could result in major pollution incident and render this Ministry of Defence asset inoperable for a period of time.

In order to meet its functional requirements, the tank must be situated at the end of the pipeline which happens to be the depot at Blackmoor.

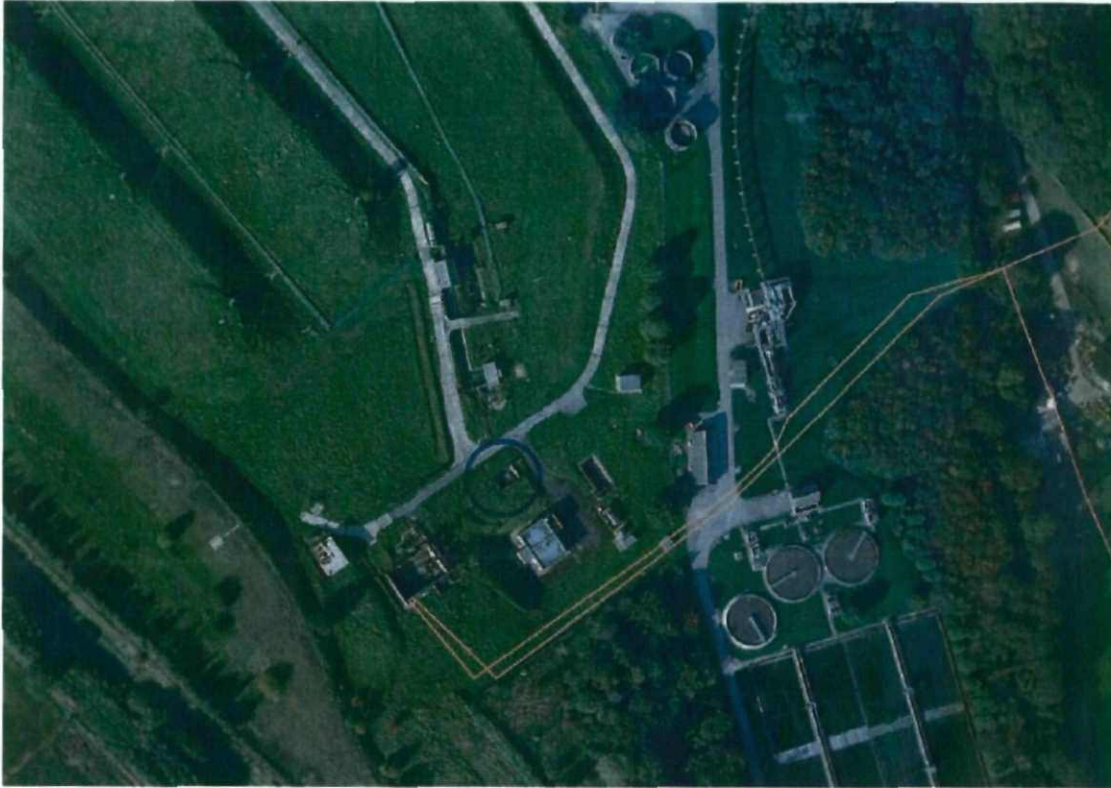
## **The Green Belt**

It is noted that all of the Blackmoor Petroleum Storage Depot (PSD) is allocated as Green Belt and that this development does not fall within one of the permitted purposes listed under Policy GS8 of the Barnsley Metropolitan district Council's UDP. However, we believe that for the reasons outlined above, this development must be considered one of the "very special circumstances" where development should be consented within the Green Belt as allowed for by Policy GS8 of the UDP.

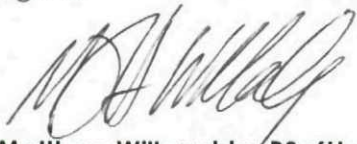
As explained below the development has been designed in such a way that it will have a very limited impact on the Green Belt.

## **Area of Borough Landscape Value**

It has also been noted by our client that the site is situated within an area of borough landscape value. The tank and its installation have been designed to minimise any impact on the local landscape. The tank is to be painted dark green and is to be sited, as far as possible, within an existing concrete bund. The tank will only extend 600mm above the existing bund hand rail. The position of the proposed tank is such that it will be largely hidden from view by existing buildings as can be seen on the aerial photograph on the following page which shows the site of the tank circled blue. As it is anticipated that the tank will have a minimal effect on the landscape and, for the reasons explained in the Design and Access Statement, it is not proposed that a landscaping scheme be undertaken as part of the project.



Signed



**Matthew Willoughby BSc(Hons) MRICS**  
**For and on behalf of Fisher German LLP**



**GOVERNMENT PIPELINES AND STORAGE SYSTEM  
PETROLEUM STORAGE DEPOT AT BLACKMOOR, NR  
THURGOLAND, YORKSHIRE.**

**DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT**

**TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE APPLICATION  
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SLOPS TANK**

**DATE: 6<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2010**

### Introduction

This report is to be read in conjunction with enclosed planning application submitted to Barnsley Borough Council on the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2010 for the installation of a slops tank at the Government Pipelines and Storage System petroleum storage depot near Thurgoland, Yorkshire.

### Use

The slops tank is a vessel required as part of the pipeline network to receive product when pipelines are cleared for repair and maintenance works to be undertaken. There is not currently a suitable slops tank situated on the site and urgent maintenance works are required to the pipelines that feed the depot.

### Lay-out

Please refer to the plans submitted with the application. The tank is proposed to be located in close proximity to existing buildings in order to minimise the visual impact of the development and to reduce the amount of pipe work required to link the tank to the pipeline system. The tank is to be located in an existing disused concrete bund to minimise that amount of development required. A photograph of the area is shown below. The current bund is not large enough for the tank and will be extended as part of the development. The tank will be situated adjacent to an existing area of hardstanding to allow easy access for discharging into lorry tankers.

The area in which the tank will be placed is shown in the photograph below. It will be situated within the existing concrete bund; a new safe pedestrian barrier will be erected adjacent to the tank.



### Scale

The tank measures 2743mm in diameter and 9808mm in length. Once installed, the top of the tank will be approximately 4 metres above ground level and the hand

railings on top of the tank will be 4.9 metres above ground level. The tank will be surrounded by a concrete bund as per drawing 4607/003 which is attached with this application.

### **Landscape**

As the site is a petroleum storage depot, it would not be appropriate to initiate any planting or landscaping schemes which might provide further fuel to any fires or, more importantly, impede access to any part of the site for emergency services. The tank will be located adjacent to existing facilities on the site and within an existing, albeit extended, concrete bund to minimise any visual impact. It should also be considered that the entire site is surrounded by security fencing which further reduces the visibility of development on the site from any public land. It is therefore considered that no landscaping is required in this instance.

### **Appearance**

The tank will be painted dark green in order to reduce its impact visually. The tank is constructed of mild steel. A picture of an identical tank (prior to installation) is shown below.



### **Access**

Once the tank is installed on site there will not be a requirement for any additional access over and above what is already required on the site.

Signed

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**For and on behalf of Fisher German LLP**





SLOPS TANK  
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