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PLANNING STATEMENT

IN SUPPORT OF

THE APPLICATION FOR AN ALL-WEATHER EQUESTRIAN ARENA AT LUNDHILL FARM, BEECH HOUSE ROAD, HEMMINGFIELD, BARNESLEY S73 0PF

Mr Marcus Wood (the Applicant) farms approximately 66 acres of land around Lundhill Farm, Hemmingfield, comprising arable cropping and grassland management. The farmstead at Lundhill Farm comprises a range of modern agricultural buildings, together with some stabling for the Applicant's horses.

The proposal is to create a 20m x 40m all-weather equestrian arena to enable the year-round exercise of the horses. The site is currently grassland and the proposed arena will be constructed of a silica sand and recycled rubber chipping surface over a clean stone substrate, separated by semi-permeable separator membranes. The proposed arena will be bound by post and rail fencing, accessed from an existing track through a field gate from the south east.

The proposed arena will be illuminated by 4^{No.} 200Watt Arias Asymmetric LED floodlights atop 12m masts, which will cast approximately 70 lux over the arena, while minimising light pollution to cast less than 1 lux over the nearest neighbouring residential dwelling.

The proposal will provide essential facilities to enable the all-weather, year-round exercise of the horses and is necessary development for the improvement of welfare of the horses and to enable the advancement of the horses in multi discipline equestrian sports.

We believe that the application is for development which should be permitted in this location and that the proposal is policy compliant.

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