

New agricultural building located off High Lane.

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The sole use of the building will be for fodder and straw storage which works alongside the current agricultural building located there. Due to soaring straw prices, it is no longer viable for this to be stored outside due to wastage from inclement weather. Fodder being stored outside also requires wrapping in plastic, which not only is a significant cost to the business but also not very environmentally friendly.

The building will be half the size of the existing unit, but the visual appearance will be identical due to using the exact same materials in terms of fibre cement grey roof, timber cladding (Yorkshire boarding) and concrete panels below the timber. This makes sure that the building will be a subtle addition to the landscape as it is in keeping with its surroundings.

This building will significantly decrease the amount of traffic on New Row Lane, as the fodder and straw will be located on site. This will remove high vehicular movement past residential houses, reducing muck and noise on roads. Often due to other work commitments and demands of the farming calendar, vehicular movement can be during unsociable hours or at weekends, so again reducing movement of agricultural machinery on New Row Lane is of benefit to the local community.

The building will also reduce labour time due to fodder and straw being located next to the current agricultural building. Due to tighter profit margins in modern day agriculture, a lot of time is spent off farm working, so this will help make the current farming business more time efficient.

In conclusion this building is a vital addition to the farming business, with it helping to reduce the carbon footprint, make the business more profitable, reduce vehicular movements on New Row Lane and make the farming business more cost and time efficient.

Figure 1 on next page showing Google earth image of existing shed and **RED X** showing location of proposed shed.

