AGENDA ITEM NO 5

REPORT NO 35/20

ANGUS COUNCIL

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE – 28 JANUARY 2020

DRAGONHALL FARM, PADANARAM, FORFAR

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

ABSTRACT:

The Committee is asked to consider an application for a review of Condition 1 of planning permission reference 18/00565/FULL – change of use of buildings and land to use as biomass fuel production business, including siting of portable site office and proposed erection of storage bays and extension to existing shed and flues at Dragonhall Farm, Padanaram, Forfar.

1. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee:-

- (i) review the case submitted by the Planning Authority (Appendix 1); and
- (ii) review the case submitted by the Applicant (Appendix 2).

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN

This Report contributes to the following local outcomes contained within the Angus Local Outcomes Improvement Plan 2017-2030:

- Safe, secure, vibrant and sustainable communities
- An enhanced, protected and enjoyed natural and built environment

3. CURRENT POSITION

The Development Management Review Committee is required to determine if they have sufficient information to determine the Review without further procedure. If members do not determine the review without further procedure, the Review Committee must determine the manner in which the review is to be conducted. The procedures available in terms of the regulations are: written submissions, hearing sessions or inspection of the land to which the review relates.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising directly from the recommendations in the Report.

5. CONSULTATION

In accordance with Standing Order 48(4), this Report falls within an approved category that has been confirmed as exempt from the consultation process.

NOTE: No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above Report.

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APPLICATION NUMBER - 18/00565/FULL

APPLICANT- ANGUS BIOFUELS

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Application Number:	18/00565/FULL
Description of Development:	Change of Use of Buildings and Land to Use as Biomass Fuel Production Business, Including Siting of Portable Site Office and Proposed Erection of Storage Bays and Extension to Existing Shed and Flues
Site Address:	Dragonhall Farm Padanaram Forfar DD8 1PX
Grid Ref:	342307 : 751714
Applicant Name:	Angus Biofuels

Report of Handling

Site Description

The application site relates to an area of ground in the countryside measuring approximately 2ha. The site is located in the south corner of an agricultural field, adjacent to the north side of the A926 and to the northwest of Padanaram. The site currently accommodates a number of buildings, temporary structures and areas of log storage and in this respect many of the features of the application are applied for an a retrospective basis.

Proposal

The application seeks planning permission for the change of use of the buildings and land at the site to be used in connection with a biomass fuel production business, including timber storage, the siting of a portable site office and a portable concert walled storage bay and the installation of two biomass boilers (within Sheds 1 and 3) and an air drying fan system (within Shed 6). The application also proposes 2 new flues in connection with the biomass boilers, two extensions to Shed 1 and an additional concrete walled storage bay. The proposed flues would terminate 13m above ground level. The larger extension to Shed 1 would have a footprint measuring 24m x 20m, would be partially open and used for drying, and would continue the pitched roof and general form of the existing north gable of the building. The smaller extension has a mono pitched roof, would be used for a drying kiln and would have a footprint measuring 6.6m x 10m. The proposal also includes the installation of solar panels on the roof of Shed 1. The existing foul drainage arrangements at the site would be utilised and SUDS are proposed.

The Existing Site Layout drawing, submitted 11 July 2019, the Proposed Site Plan drawing, submitted 13 November 2019, the Existing Floor Plan and Elevations - Shed 1 drawing, submitted 19 July, and the Proposed Floor Plan and Elevations - Shed 1 drawing, submitted 13 November 2019, amend and supersede the earlier variations of these drawings submitted as part of the application. The amended drawings show the location of the existing boilers and flues, an enlarged drying extension, a kiln extension and new replacement flues.

Publicity

The nature of the proposal did not require the application to be the subject of Neighbour Notification.

The application was advertised in the Dundee Courier on 5 April 2019 for the following reasons:

• Neighbouring Land with No Premises

The nature of the proposal did not require a site notice to be posted.

Planning History

06/00978/FUL for Erection of Biofuel and Wood Fuel Production Unit was determined as approved subject to conditions on 20 December 2006.

Applicant's Case

A brief statement outlining the existing operations carried out at Dragonhall was submitted by the applicant in support of the application. It notes the site is used for the storage of timber and the production of wood chip for biomass fuel. It notes that on average 1x 20 tonne load of round wood is collected from the site per day Monday to Friday. On average 2x 5 tonnes and 1x 20 tonne loads are delivered to the site per day. It notes the operating hours are 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday and 7am to 12noon on Saturdays during October to March. In terms of equipment a mobile wood cutting machine works on average 4 hours per week and 3 floodlights would operate in the yard during winter hours. A Hertz and a Froiling boiler were installed in Sheds 1 and 3 respectively and are used for wood drying and the boilers operate approximately 1500 hours per year.

A screening tool and emissions calculations for both boilers were also submitted in term of air quality impacts.

A Biomass Boiler Information form with technical specifications and a Non-domestic Renewable Heat Incentive Emissions Certificate for each boiler were submitted.

A number of photographs depicting the buildings currently located on the site where submitted alongside the application.

Consultations

Scottish Environment Protection Agency - Offers no objection to the proposal in terms of air quality impacts.

Angus Council Environmental Health - Offers no objection to the proposal in terms of land contamination or amenity subject to conditions to regulate the timing of deliveries, noise levels from the proposal, the model of boilers and the type of woodchip used.

Health & Safety Executive - Do not advise against the granting of planning permission on safety grounds in this case.

Shell Oil Co - Do not advise against the granting of planning permission on safety grounds in this case.

Community Council - There was no response from this consultee at the time of report preparation.

Angus Council - Roads - Offers no objection to the proposal.

Scottish Water - There was no response from this consultee at the time of report preparation.

INEOS FPS Ltd - Advise that the safety and integrity of their pipeline would not be affected by the development.

Representations

There were no letters of representation.

Development Plan Policies

Angus Local Development Plan 2016

Policy DS1: Development Boundaries and Priorities Policy DS4: Amenity Policy TC15: Employment Development Policy PV6: Development in the Landscape Policy PV9: Renewable and Low Carbon Energy Development Policy PV15: Drainage Infrastructure Policy PV20: Soils and Geodiversity Policy PV21: Pipeline Consultation Zones

TAYplan Strategic Development Plan

The proposal is not of strategic significance and policies of TAYplan are not referred to in this report.

The full text of the relevant development plan policies can be viewed at Appendix 1 to this report.

Assessment

Sections 25 and 37(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 require that planning decisions be made in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

The application relates to the operation of a biomass fuel production business and associated development in the countryside and the operation is located around an existing former farm court that lies to the northwest of Padanaram. The application site is not allocated or safeguarded for any particular use in the Angus Local Development Plan (ALDP). Policy DS1 in the ALDP states that outwith development boundaries, proposals will be supported where they are of a scale and nature appropriate to the location and where they accord with other relevant policies in the ALDP.

Policy TC15 relates to Employment Development and the policy indicates that proposals for employment development outwith development boundaries will only be supported where there are no sites available within an allocated or existing employment area within a development boundary; or where the use is considered to be acceptable in that location and there is no unacceptable impact on the built or natural environment, surrounding amenity, access and infrastructure. It also requires the scale and nature of the development to in keeping with the character of the local landscape and pattern of development; and the proposal constitutes rural diversification subject to certain prescribed limitations including uses which are by their very nature appropriate to the rural character of the area or where there is an economic and/or operational need for the location.

The business has been in situ and has operated at the site for a reasonably long period of time. The business has grown organically from an original farm court without the necessary permissions. The proposal originated on a brownfield site which has good connections to the local road network (ideal for the distribution of the product) and is sufficiently distant from the nearby residential properties within Padanarm to avoid significant impacts on amenity. The proposal represents a diversification of the Dragonhall Farm business. Therefore it is considered that the use is acceptable in this location; subject to conditions setting certain limitations, and would constitute rural diversification where the use is appropriate to the rural character of the area.

Impacts upon the built or natural environment, amenity, access, character of the local landscape and pattern of development are discussed below.

Policy PV6 indicates that Angus Council will seek to protect and enhance the quality of the landscape in Angus. In terms of landscape and visual impacts, the existing structures utilised by the business and the proposed extensions to those structures combined with other ancillary elements are utilitarian and functional in appearance and would be viewed within the context of an existing industrial complex that has an outward appearance that is not dissimilar to a farm court. The proposed flues however would extend 13m above ground level. Although taller than the existing structures on the site the flues would be restricted to 0.25m in diameter and as such would not significantly impact on any sensitive viewpoints. The drying floor extension would be finished in green profile sheeting and concrete panel walls to replicate the existing building. The kiln extension is to be finished in zinc profile sheeting. The proposed materials would be acceptable for a development of this nature and within the context of this site. The landscape impacts associated with the development would be localised with negligible impacts in the wider landscape beyond the surrounding fields due to the nature of the surrounding landform. The storage of logs on the land surrounding the periphery of the site is likely to result in the greatest visual

impact, however this use relates to the storage of a natural material in a countryside location which is also a localised impact. Nonetheless a condition is proposed to ensure landscaping is provided to partially mitigate and soften the appearance of the expanse of stored logs.

In terms of amenity, it is noted the proposal is located around 140m from the nearest residential dwellings. The Council's Environmental Health Service and SEPA have reviewed the proposal and relevant supporting information relating to sensory impacts and neither consultee offers objection to the proposal. Environmental Health have suggested conditions to regulate the hours of operation, the noise from activities and fixed plant within the site, the model of boilers and the type of fuel used, all in order to protect amenity. As the existing flues do not perform in compliance with the Air Quality Objectives it is also relevant to attach a condition which requires the proposed replacement flues to be installed within 6 months of the date of the permission, in the interests of air quality and amenity. Subject to appropriate conditions being attached, the development would not give rise to any unacceptable amenity impacts.

The proposal would utilise the existing access, parking, foul drainage and waste arrangements at the site. The Roads Service has reviewed the proposal and offers no objection in respect of potential road safety impacts or in terms of roads capacity issues. SUDS are proposed to manage surface water run-off from the proposed extensions. The Council's Contaminated Land Officer had reviewed the proposal and is satisfied the site does not pose a significant risk of harm arising from land contamination issues.

The proposal includes the installation of solar panels on the roof of the Shed 1. The applicant has provided details which indicates these would benefit from permitted development rights and as such no further assessment is made in relation to these works.

Policy PV20 Soils and Geodiversity notes that development proposals on prime agricultural land will only be supported where they; support delivery of the development strategy and policies in this local plan; are small scale and directly related to a rural business or mineral extraction; or constitute renewable energy development. The Policy also states that the design and layout of proposals should minimise agricultural land required for development and should not render any farm unit unviable. The proposal relates to a biomass fuel production business operating from a former farm court. The proposal has expanded beyond the extents of the former farm court where the newly incorporated areas relate mainly to space for the storage of logs and as such the proposal does not involve the irreversible use of agricultural land. The proposal does not render the surrounding operational agricultural land unviable. The proposal would relate to a business deemed suitable in the rural location. The proposal does not conflict with the aims of Policy PV20.

Policy PV21 relates to pipeline consultation zones and states that the determination of planning applications in these zones would be made in light of advice from the Health and Safety Executive (HSE). The application site falls within the buffer of the Shell pipeline. Shell, INEOS and HES have reviewed the proposal and offer no objection.

In conclusion the proposal is generally compatible with the relevant policies of the local plan, subject to conditions. There are no material considerations that warrant refusal of the application.

No legal agreement is required.

Human Rights Implications

The decision to grant permission/consent, subject to conditions, has potential implications for neighbours in terms of alleged interference with privacy, home or family life (Article 8) and peaceful enjoyment of their possessions (First Protocol, Article 1). For the reasons referred to elsewhere in this report justifying this decision in planning terms, it is considered that any actual or apprehended infringement of such Convention Rights, is justified. The conditions constitute a justified and proportional control of the use of the property in accordance with the general interest and have regard to the necessary balance of the applicant's freedom to enjoy his property against the public interest and the freedom of others to enjoy neighbouring property/home life/privacy without undue interference.

Equalities Implications

The issues contained in this report fall within an approved category that has been confirmed as exempt from an equalities perspective.

Decision

The application is approved subject to conditions

Reason(s) for Decision:

1. The proposal complies with the relevant policies of the local development plan subject to condition(s). There are no material considerations that justify refusal of planning permission.

Conditions:

1. Within 3 months of the date of this permission a scheme for landscaping of the site, including tree and hedge screening shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the planning authority. For the avoidance of doubt the soft landscaping scheme shall include a substantial landscape buffer located along the eastern site boundary consisting of an area at least 5m wide, fenced off with animal proof fencing and containing tree and shrub planting incorporating evergreen trees and shrubs to provide year round landscape mitigation. Thereafter the agreed scheme shall be completed no later than the first planting season following approval of the submitted scheme. Any trees or shrubs removed, dying, being severely damaged or becoming seriously diseased within 5 years shall be replaced by trees or shrubs of similar size and species to those originally approved in terms of this condition. The landscaping shall thereafter be maintained for as long as the use hereby approved endures at the site.

Reason: In the interest of the visual amenity of the area.

2. Within 6 months from the date of this permission the flues serving the biomass boilers associated with the biomass production operation shall be replaced with flues with stacks no less than 0.25 metres in diameter that terminate 13 metres in height above ground level and with no rain cap or cowl.

Reason: In order to ensure the flues installed on the buildings releases emissions from the existing biomass boilers at a level that is in compliance with the Air Quality Strategy, in the interests of air quality and amenity.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) (Scotland) Order 1997 or the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Order 1992 (as amended) or any other subsequent revoking, amending or replacing Development Orders, the site and buildings within the site shall be used solely in connection with the Biomass Fuel Production business and shall not be used for any other purpose other than agricultural use without the further granting of planning permission from the planning authority following the submission of an application of planning permission.

Reason: In order to prevent the use of the site or buildings for an alternative activity that could give rise to materially different impacts on the amenity of the area without full consideration of the acceptability of those impacts by the planning authority.

4. Operations associated with the development including deliveries to and from the site, shall be limited to Monday to Friday 0700 - 1900 and Saturday 0700 - 1300 only.

Reason: To protect local residents from disturbance associated with the operations within the application site in the interests of amenity.

5. Noise from activities within the development site shall not exceed 45 dB LAr,Tr as measured and assessed within the external amenity area of any noise sensitive property and in accordance with BS 4142:2014 Methods for rating and assessing industrial and commercial sound.

Reason: To protect local residents from noise emissions associated with the activities carried out within the application site in the interests of amenity.

6. Noise from fixed plant within the development site shall not exceed NR Curve 30 between 0700 and 2200 and NR Curve 20 at all other times as measured within any dwelling or noise sensitive premises with the windows open at least 50mm.

Reason: To protect local residents from noise emissions associated with the fixed plant within the application site in the interests of amenity.

7. The biomass boilers installed at the site shall be a 1 no. Froling Lambdamat 1000 and 1 no. Herz Biofire 995 unless information is submitted to and approved in writing by the planning authority which adequately demonstrates that emissions from the products of combustion exiting the flues associated with any alternative boiler(s) will meet all relevant Air Quality Objectives in respect of cumulative emissions of NO2 and PM10 as laid down in the current Air Quality Strategy.

Reason: To ensure the air pollutants associated with the development comply with the Air Quality Strategy in the interests of air quality and amenity.

8. The fuel used in the boilers shall be woodchip with a maximum moisture content of 35% dry weight.

Reason: To ensure the air pollutants associated with the development comply with the Air Quality Strategy in the interests of air quality and amenity.

Notes:

1. SEPA has advised that it is likely that the net rated thermal input from the biomass boilers at the site is greater than 1MW therefore the units would be subject to SEPA's controls for medium combustion plant under the Pollution Prevention and Control (PPC) Regulations. However as the boilers were put into operation before December 2018 they will not need to be permitted until 2029. The applicant should contact SEPA to confirm the net rated thermal input so that SEPA can clarify whether any other thresholds under PPC are triggered.

Case Officer: Stephanie Porter Date: 18 November 2019

Appendix 1 - Development Plan Policies

Angus Local Development Plan 2016

Policy DS1: Development Boundaries and Priorities

All proposals will be expected to support delivery of the Development Strategy.

The focus of development will be sites allocated or otherwise identified for development within the Angus Local Development Plan, which will be safeguarded for the use(s) set out. Proposals for alternative uses will only be acceptable if they do not undermine the provision of a range of sites to meet the development needs of the plan area.

Proposals on sites not allocated or otherwise identified for development, but within development boundaries will be supported where they are of an appropriate scale and nature and are in accordance with relevant policies of the ALDP.

Proposals for sites outwith but contiguous* with a development boundary will only be acceptable where it is in the public interest and social, economic, environmental or operational considerations confirm there is a need for the proposed development that cannot be met within a development boundary.

Outwith development boundaries proposals will be supported where they are of a scale and nature appropriate to their location and where they are in accordance with relevant policies of the ALDP.

In all locations, proposals that re-use or make better use of vacant, derelict or under-used brownfield land or buildings will be supported where they are in accordance with relevant policies of the ALDP.

Development of greenfield sites (with the exception of sites allocated, identified or considered appropriate for development by policies in the ALDP) will only be supported where there are no suitable and available brownfield sites capable of accommodating the proposed development.

Development proposals should not result in adverse impacts, either alone or in combination with other proposals or projects, on the integrity of any European designated site, in accordance with Policy PV4 Sites Designated for Natural Heritage and Biodiversity Value.

*Sharing an edge or boundary, neighbouring or adjacent

Policy DS4: Amenity

All proposed development must have full regard to opportunities for maintaining and improving environmental quality. Development will not be permitted where there is an unacceptable adverse impact on the surrounding area or the environment or amenity of existing or future occupiers of adjoining or nearby properties.

Angus Council will consider the impacts of development on:

- Air quality;
- Noise and vibration levels and times when such disturbances are likely to occur;
- Levels of light pollution;
- Levels of odours, fumes and dust;
- Suitable provision for refuse collection / storage and recycling;
- The effect and timing of traffic movement to, from and within the site, car parking and impacts on highway safety; and
- Residential amenity in relation to overlooking and loss of privacy, outlook, sunlight, daylight and overshadowing.

Angus Council may support development which is considered to have an impact on such considerations, if the use of conditions or planning obligations will ensure that appropriate mitigation and / or compensatory measures are secured.

Applicants may be required to submit detailed assessments in relation to any of the above criteria to the Council for consideration.

Where a site is known or suspected to be contaminated, applicants will be required to undertake investigation and, where appropriate, remediation measures relevant to the current or proposed use to prevent unacceptable risks to human health.

Policy TC15: Employment Development

Proposals for new employment development (consisting of Class 4, 5, or 6) will be directed to employment land allocations or existing employment areas within development boundaries, subject to the application of the sequential approach required by Policy TC19 Retail and Town Centre Uses for office developments of over 1,000 square metres gross floorspace.

Proposals for employment development outside of employment land allocations or existing employment areas, but within the development boundaries of the towns and the settlements within the rural area will be supported where:

o there are no suitable or viable sites available within an employment land allocation or existing employment area; or

- o the use is considered to be acceptable in that location; and
- o there is no unacceptable impact on the built and natural environment, surrounding amenity, access and infrastructure.

Proposals for employment development (consisting of Class 4, 5, or 6) outwith development boundaries will only be supported where:

- o the criteria relating to employment development within development boundaries are met;
- o the scale and nature of the development is in keeping with the character of the local landscape and pattern of development; and
- o the proposal constitutes rural diversification where:
- o the development is to be used directly for agricultural, equestrian, horticultural or forestry operations, or for uses which by their nature are appropriate to the rural character of the area; or
- o the development is to be used for other business or employment generating uses, provided that the Council is satisfied that there is an economic and/or operational need for the location.

Policy PV6: Development in the Landscape

Angus Council will seek to protect and enhance the quality of the landscape in Angus, its diversity (including coastal, agricultural lowlands, the foothills and mountains), its distinctive local characteristics, and its important views and landmarks.

Capacity to accept new development will be considered within the context of the Tayside Landscape Character Assessment, relevant landscape capacity studies, any formal designations and special landscape areas to be identified within Angus. Within the areas shown on the proposals map as being part of 'wild land', as identified in maps published by Scottish Natural Heritage in 2014, development proposals will be considered in the context of Scottish Planning Policy's provisions in relation to safeguarding the character of wild land.

Development which has an adverse effect on landscape will only be permitted where:

- o the site selected is capable of accommodating the proposed development;
- o the siting and design integrate with the landscape context and minimise adverse impacts on the local landscape;
- o potential cumulative effects with any other relevant proposal are considered to be acceptable; and
- o mitigation measures and/or reinstatement are proposed where appropriate.

Landscape impact of specific types of development is addressed in more detail in other policies in this plan and work involving development which is required for the maintenance of strategic transport and communications infrastructure should avoid, minimise or mitigate any adverse impact on the landscape.

Further information on development in the landscape, including identification of special landscape and conservation areas in Angus will be set out in a Planning Advice Note.

Policy PV9: Renewable and Low Carbon Energy Development

Proposals for renewable and low carbon energy development* will be supported in principle where they meet the following criteria:

- o the location, siting and appearance of apparatus, and any associated works and infrastructure have been chosen and/or designed to minimise impact on amenity, landscape and environment, while respecting operational efficiency;
- o access for construction and maintenance traffic can be achieved without compromising road safety or causing unacceptable change to the environment and landscape;
- o the site has been designed to make links to the national grid and/or other users of renewable energy and heat generated on site;
- o there will be no unacceptable impact on existing or proposed aviation, defence, seismological or

telecommunications facilities;

- o there will be no unacceptable adverse impact individually or cumulatively with other exisitng or proposed development on:
- o landscape character, setting within the immediate and wider landscape (including cross boundary or regional features and landscapes), sensitive viewpoints and public access routes;
- o sites designated for natural heritage (including birds), scientific, historic, cultural or archaeological reasons;
- o any populations of protected species; and
- o the amenity of communities or individual dwellings including visual impact, noise, shadow flicker.
- o during construction, operation and decommissioning of the energy plant there will be no unacceptable impacts on:
- o groundwater;
- o surface water resources; or
- o carbon rich soils, deep peat and priority peatland habitat or geodiversity.

Where appropriate mitigation measures must be supported by commitment to a bond commensurate with site restoration requirements.

Consideration may be given to additional factors such as contribution to targets for energy generation and emissions, and/or local socio-economic economic impact.

Supplementary guidance will be prepared to set out a spatial framework to guide the location of onshore wind farm developments, consistent with the approach set out in Table 1 of Scottish Planning Policy. It will also provide further detail on the factors which should be taken into account in considering and advising on proposals for all types of renewable energy development.

Prior to the adoption of that supplementary guidance, the Council will apply the principles and considerations set out in Scottish Planning Policy in assessing the acceptability of any planning applications for onshore wind farms.

*infrastructure, activity and materials required for generation, storage or transmission of energy where it is within the remit of the council as local planning authority (or other duty). Includes new sites, extensions and/or repowering of established sites for onshore wind.

Policy PV15: Drainage Infrastructure

Development proposals within Development Boundaries will be required to connect to the public sewer where available.

Where there is limited capacity at the treatment works Scottish Water will provide additional wastewater capacity to accommodate development if the Developer can meet the 5 Criteria*. Scottish Water will instigate a growth project upon receipt of the 5 Criteria and will work with the developer, SEPA and Angus Council to identify solutions for the development to proceed.

Outwith areas served by public sewers or where there is no viable connection for economic or technical reasons private provision of waste water treatment must meet the requirements of SEPA and/or The Building Standards (Scotland) Regulations. A private drainage system will only be considered as a means towards achieving connection to the public sewer system, and when it forms part of a specific development proposal which meets the necessary criteria to trigger a Scottish Water growth project.

All new development (except single dwelling and developments that discharge directly to coastal waters) will be required to provide Sustainable Drainage Systems (SUDs) to accommodate surface water drainage and long term maintenance must be agreed with the local authority. SUDs schemes can contribute to local green networks, biodiversity and provision of amenity open space and should form an integral part of the design process.

Drainage Impact Assessment (DIA) will be required for new development where appropriate to identify potential network issues and minimise any reduction in existing levels of service.

*Enabling Development and our 5 Criteria (http://scotland.gov.uk/Resource/0040/00409361.pdf)

Policy PV20: Soils and Geodiversity

Development proposals on prime agricultural land will only be supported where they:

- o support delivery of the development strategy and policies in this local plan;
- o are small scale and directly related to a rural business or mineral extraction; or
- o constitute renewable energy development and are supported by a commitment to a bond commensurate with site restoration requirements.

Design and layout should minimise land required for development proposals on agricultural land and should not render any farm unit unviable.

Development proposals affecting deep peat or carbon rich soils will not be allowed unless there is an overwhelming social or economic need that cannot be met elsewhere. Where peat and carbon rich soils are present, applicants should assess the likely effects of development proposals on carbon dioxide emissions.

All development proposals will incorporate measures to manage, protect and reinstate valuable soils, groundwater and soil biodiversity during construction.

Policy PV21: Pipeline Consultation Zones

Decisions on whether to grant planning permission for development proposals within the pipeline consultation zones shown on the proposals map will be taken in light of the views and advice of the Health and Safety Executive.

TAYplan Strategic Development plan

The proposal is not of strategic significance and policies of TAYplan are not referred to in this report.



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Stephanie Porter Angus House Planning Service Orchardbank Business Park Forfar DD8 1AN

02nd April 2019

Our ref: UPO/W/PTT/FM Your ref: 18/00565/FULL

Dear Sir / Madam,

Planning Application: 18/00565/FULL

Proposal: Retrospective Change of Use of Buildings and Land to Use as part of Biomass Fuel Production Business, including siting of Portable Site Office and Proposed Erection of Storage Bays and Extension to Existing Shed

Address:	Dragonhall Farm Padanaram Forfar DD8 1PX
Grid Reference:	342307, 751714
Applicant Name:	Angus Biofuels
Applicant Address:	Mr Steven Watson Unit 3 Eco Park Carseview Road Forfar
DD8 3BS	

Thank you for your recent consultation regarding the above planning application.

From the information provided, there is no reason why the development and associated construction works would directly affect our pipeline servitude strip or safety and integrity of our pipeline.

However the developer should be made aware that we should be consulted prior to anything associated with work that would need to cross our pipeline.

Yours faithfully

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16 April 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application Reference: 18/00565/FULL Proposal: Retrospective Change of Use of Buildings and Land to Use as part of Biomass Fuel Production Business, including siting of Portable Site Office and Proposed Erection of Storage Bays and Extension to Existing Shed Location: Dragonhall Farm Padanaram Forfar DD8 1PX Grid Reference: E342307 N751714

We thank you for your email sent on 04th April 2019 relating to the above planning application.

We advise you as the safety and engineering integrity of the INEOS FPS Forties Pipeline will not be affected by the proposed development, we have no comment to make on the application.

Yours Faithfully

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Our ref: PCS/164679 Your ref: 18/00565/FULL

If telephoning ask for: Anna Gaffney

Stephanie Porter Angus Council Angus House Orchardbank Business Park Forfar DD8 1AN

By email only to: <u>PLNProcessing@angus.gov.uk</u>

18 April 2019

Dear Ms Porter

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACTS PLANNING APPLICATION: 18/00565/FULL RETROSPECTIVE CHANGE OF USE OF BUILDINGS AND LAND TO USE AS PART OF BIOMASS FUEL PRODUCTION BUSINESS, INCLUDING SITING OF PORTABLE SITE OFFICE AND PROPOSED ERECTION OF STORAGE BAYS AND EXTENSION TO EXISTING SHED DRAGONHALL FARM PADANARAM FORFAR DD8 1PX

Thank you for your consultation email which SEPA received on 28 March 2019.

Advice for the planning authority

We have **no objection** to this planning application. We note that this development proposal does not appear to be burning the biomass, only preparing it. However if the development proposals are understood differently by the planning authority, please re-consult SEPA specifying the issue which you are seeking comments from us. Please note the advice provided below.

We regulate a number of matters covered by standing advice including, surface water drainage, waste management and water environment engineering. If developments contain these elements, the applicant should be referred to the <u>planning section</u> of the SEPA website at so that they can ensure their proposals will meet all relevant regulatory requirements.

Best practice advice in relation to pollution prevention can also be found in our series of Pollution Prevention Guidelines.

Detailed advice for the applicant

1. Drainage

1.1 We note that it appears that surface water will be harvested by irrigation pond. We would advise that SEPA promotes rainwater harvesting wherever possible.





Chairman Bob Downes

Chief Executive Terry A'Hearn Perth Strathearn House Broxden Business Park, Lamberkine Drive, Perth, PH1 1RX tel 01738 627989 www.sepa.org.uk • customer enquiries 03000 99 66 99

Regulatory advice for the applicant

2. Regulatory requirements

- 2.1 Authorisation is required under The Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 (CAR) to carry out engineering works in or in the vicinity of inland surface waters (other than groundwater) or wetlands. Inland water means all standing or flowing water on the surface of the land (e.g. rivers, lochs, canals, reservoirs).
- 2.2 Management of surplus peat or soils may require an exemption under The Waste Management Licensing (Scotland) Regulations 2011. Proposed crushing or screening will require a permit under The Pollution Prevention and Control (Scotland) Regulations 2012. Consider if other environmental licences may be required for any installations or processes.
- 2.3 A Controlled Activities Regulations (CAR) construction site licence will be required for management of surface water run-off from a construction site, including access tracks, which:
 - is more than 4 hectares,
 - is in excess of 5km, or
 - includes an area of more than 1 hectare or length of more than 500m on ground with a slope in excess of 25°

See SEPA's <u>Sector Specific Guidance: Construction Sites (WAT-SG-75)</u> for details. Site design may be affected by pollution prevention requirements and hence we strongly encourage the applicant to engage in pre-CAR application discussions with a member of the regulatory services team in your local SEPA office.

- 2.4 Below these thresholds you will need to comply with <u>CAR General Binding Rule 10</u> which requires, amongst other things, that all reasonable steps must be taken to ensure that the discharge does not result in pollution of the water environment. The detail of how this is achieved may be required through a planning condition.
- 2.5 Details of regulatory requirements and good practice advice for the applicant can be found on the <u>Regulations section</u> of our website. If you are unable to find the advice you need for a specific regulatory matter, please contact a member of the regulatory services team in your local SEPA office at:

SEPA, 62 High Street, Arbroath, DD11 1AW. Tel: 01241 874370

If you have any queries relating to this letter, please contact me by e-mail at <u>Planning.SE@sepa.org.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely

Anna Gaffney Senior Planning Officer Planning Service





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Stephanie,

Further to your email of 11 September, I have discussed this further with colleagues in our regulatory team and can confirm that our position remains one of no objection. We would offer the following comments in relation to the regulatory framework surrounding this activity which we hope will be of assistance to you and the applicant.

We note the biomass combustion activities which are being undertaken on site, the supplementary information from the applicants describes

"Two biomass installations: Froiling 1000 installed in 2014, Herz 995 installed March 2017. Both biomass boilers used for drying various types of agricultural and forestry crops. Approximate running hours per annum 1500 each"

SEPA's permitting requirements only apply to combustion units greater than 1MW (**net rated thermal input**) – more detail is on our <u>website</u> Medium Combustion Plan (MCP) page

If the 1000/995 is a kw output rating (as per industry standard) then it is likely that the net rated thermal input is >1MW so the units would be subject to SEPA's controls for medium combustion plant under the Pollution Prevention and Control (PPC) Regulations, however as they were put into operation before December 2018 they will not need to be permitted until 2029 – again please see our website for more detail. We would ask that the applicant confirm the net rated thermal input so that we can be certain that no other thresholds under PPC are triggered.

SEPA's regulatory remit in relation to MCP are limited in that Best Available Techniques (BAT) doesn't apply and we have cannot require any assessment of stack heights in relation to local air quality – this would be up to the local authority to pursue and we would highlight this to you. Again as the boilers were installed some time ago it may be that this was subject to planning and assessed at the time.

I trust these additional comments are of assistance – please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Regards Alasdair

Alasdair Milne Senior Planning Officer Scottish Environment Protection Agency Strathallan House Castle Business Park Stirling FK9 4TZ

Telephone 01786 452537

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From: PorterSG <PorterSG@angus.gov.uk>
Sent: 11 September 2019 15:23
To: Planning South East <Planning.SE@SEPA.org.uk>
Subject: Planning Application Consultation Response to ref: 18/00565/FULL

FAO: Anna Gaffney

Dear Sirs

I write in relation to a consultation response received from SEPA to a planning application at Dragonhall Farm, Padanaram (ref: 18/00565/FULL). I have attached this response for reference.

The attached response notes that SEPA understood there would be no burning of biomass on the site, only bio mass fuel preparation. The applicant has since clarified that there are 2 biomass boilers at the site used for drying crops. I have attached the additional information submitted by the applicant in relation to these boilers.

Would the use of these biomass boilers on the site alter SEPA's original response?

I trust this clarifies the situation but if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards

Stephanie Porter | Planning Officer | Place | Planning | Angus Council | Angus House | Orchardbank Business Park | Forfar, DD8 1AN | (01307 492378)

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Advice : HSL-190423114813-269 DO NOT ADVISE AGAINST

Your Ref: 18/00565/FULL

Development Name: Retrospective Change of Use of Buildings and Land to Use as part of Biomass Fuel Production Business, including siting of Portable Site Office and Proposed Erection of Storage Bays and Extension to Existing Shed

Comments: Dragonhall Farm Padanaram Forfar DD8 1PX

Land Use Planning Consultation with Health and Safety Executive [Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015, Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Wales) Order 2012, or Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013]

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) is a statutory consultee for certain developments within the Consultation Distance of Major Hazard Sites/ pipelines. This consultation, which is for such a development and is within at least one Consultation Distance, has been considered using HSE's planning advice web app, based on the details input on behalf of Angus.

HSE's Advice: Do Not Advise Against, consequently, HSE does not advise, on safety grounds, against the granting of planning permission in this case.



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Breakdown:

Workplaces DAA

Is it a workplace specifically for people with disabilities, e.g. sheltered workshops? No Are there 100 or more occupants in any individual workplace building (that lie partly or wholly within a consultation distance)? No

Are there 3 or more occupied storeys in any workplace building (that lie partly or wholly within a consultation distance)? No



Pipelines

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As the proposed development is within the Consultation Distance of a major hazard pipeline you should consider contacting the pipeline operator before deciding the case. There are two particular reasons for this:

• The operator may have a legal interest (easement, wayleave etc.) in the vicinity of the pipeline. This may restrict certain developments within a certain proximity of the pipeline.

• The standards to which the pipeline is designed and operated may restrict occupied buildings or major traffic routes within a certain proximity of the pipeline. Consequently there may be a need for the operator to modify the pipeline, or its operation, if the development proceeds.

HSE's advice is based on the situation as currently exists, our advice in this case will not be altered by the outcome of any consultation you may have with the pipeline operator.

This advice report has been generated using information supplied by Damian Brennan at Angus on 23 April 2019.

Note that any changes in the information concerning this development would require it to be re-submitted.

Steph

I am currently looking at the information submitted in respect of the above application. I note that the proposed shed extension includes a drying floor. Can I ask that the applicant provides details of the method of drying and whether or not this involves a biomass appliance.

Thanks

lain

Iain Graham | Environmental Health Officer | Angus Council - Place | Housing, Regulatory and Protective Services | Angus House, Orchardbank Business Park, Forfar, DD8 1AN | 201307 492026

Steph

I refer to our recent conversation regarding the above application. I am aware that the original consent (07/00608/FUL) allows for the storage of biomass material however I understand that there may be processing operations currently being undertaken and which the applicants may be seeking to expand that are not lawful in terms of this consent. At this stage I would therefore ask that full information be provided in terms of both existing and proposed activities so that any amenity impacts can be fully assessed where appropriate. The information that I would ask to be submitted is:

- 1. An outline of existing and proposed operations at the site including HGV movements to and from the site.
- 2. Hours of operation including HGV movements to and from the site
- 3. Types and numbers of wood cutting machinery used on site
- 4. Location of the above wood cutting machinery
- 5. Details of any external lighting
- 6. Confirmation that there are no biomass burning installations, other than the HERZ Biofire 995 installed in 2017, on site

I trust this is satisfactory, however please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss anything further.

Regards

lain

Iain Graham | Environmental Health Officer | Angus Council - Place | Housing, Regulatory and Protective Services | Angus House, Orchardbank Business Park, Forfar, DD8 1AN | 201307 492026

From:	<u>GrahamIH</u>
To:	PorterSG
Subject:	RE: Ref 18/00565/full
Date:	25 June 2019 10:19:28
Attachments:	biomass info v4 draft.doc

Hi Steph

I appreciate that the majority of operations at the site have been undertaken for a number of years without complaint however looking at the submitted information there is the potential for significant amenity impacts from noise and emissions to air to arise without suitable controls in place.

I am aware that a NIA was submitted in respect of the adjacent proposed Recycling Centre and I intend to use this to inform me regarding the noise climate at the nearest noise sensitive receptors with a view to setting appropriate noise limits and hours of operation conditions. With regards to air quality it is noted that two relatively large biomass boilers are operating at the site and as such an assessment of the cumulative air quality impacts requires to be undertaken in accordance with the relevant guidance document TG16. I have enclosed a boiler information template to assist in this regard and the screening assessment tool can be found at http://laqm.defra.gov.uk/review-and-assessment/tools/emissions.html

I trust you find the above satisfactory but please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss anything further at this stage.

Regards

lain

Iain Graham | **Environmental Health Officer** | Angus Council - Place | Housing, Regulatory and Protective Services | Angus House, Orchardbank Business Park, Forfar, DD8 1AN | ☎01307 492026

From: PorterSG **Sent:** 18 June 2019 10:49 **To:** GrahamIH **Subject:** Ref 18/00565/full

Hi lain

I've received the attached from Bill in relation to the above application at Dragonhall in response to your queries.

Would this be sufficient?

Kind Regards

Stephanie Porter | Planning Officer | Place | Planning | Angus Council | Angus House | Orchardbank Business Park | Forfar, DD8 1AN | (01307 492378) From: Bill Watson [mailto:bill@angusbiofuels.co.uk] Sent: 17 June 2019 17:36 To: PorterSG Subject: Re: Site Layout ref 18/00565/ful

Afternoon Stephanie,

I handed a hard copy into reception on Thursday last week. Can you check there, if it is lost I will hand in another copy. Regards Bill

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the O2 network.

From: PorterSG Sent: Monday, 17 June 2019 4:32 PM To: Bill Watson Subject: RE: Site Layout ref 18/00565/ful

Good Afternoon Bill

Thank you for the site plan. That appears to have successfully been delivered.

I would still need the following details in response to comments received from the Environmental Health Service in relation to the above application;

- An outline of existing and proposed operations at the site including HGV movements to and from the site.
- Hours of operation including HGV movements to and from the site
- Types and numbers of wood cutting machinery used on site
- Location of the above wood cutting machinery
- Details of any external lighting
- Confirmation of biomass burning installations on site

I would also note the £100 advert fee is still outstanding.

I trust this clarifies the situation but if you have any question please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards

Stephanie

Stephanie Porter | Planning Officer | Place | Planning | Angus Council | Angus House | Orchardbank Business Park | Forfar, DD8 1AN | (01307 492378)

From: Bill Watson [mailto:bill@angusbiofuels.co.uk] Sent: 12 June 2019 16:07 To: PorterSG Subject: Site Layout ref 18/00565/ful

Afternoon Stephanie, Please find attached a plan showing location of boilers for your information marked with a red X. I will deliver a hard copy to reception as it sound like you are not getting my attachments to e mails.

Regards Bíll

Bill Watson Mobile: 07976 820664



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From:	<u>GrahamIH</u>
То:	PorterSG
Cc:	ThomsonSD
Subject:	18/00565/FULL Retrospective Change of Use of Buildings and Land to Use as part of Biomass Fuel Production Business, including siting of Portable Site Office and Proposed Erection of Storage Bays and Extension to Existing Shed
Date:	15 August 2019 14:47:07

Steph

I refer to the above application and would advise that I have looked at the information submitted and undertaken a site visit.

I understand that the applicant has operated his business from the application site for a number of years. It is noted that there are residential properties near to the site, however I am not aware of any relevant complaint history regarding amenity or nuisance. Notwithstanding the absence of complaints to date I am concerned that the site could accommodate larger more intensive operations in the future that could give rise to significant adverse impacts affecting nearby sensitive properties. To address these concerns and safeguard existing amenity levels this Service would therefore look to control hours of operation and noise levels by way of the planning conditions below. For your information the noise limit proposed has been derived using background noise levels obtained at the nearest noise sensitive property during a noise monitoring exercise undertaken in late 2016 as part of a feasibility study for the development of an adjacent site.

In respect of potential air quality impacts the applicant currently operates 2 biomass boilers from the site and in line with current guidance this Service requested the submission of an Air Quality Impact Screening Assessment. The screening assessment submitted compares worst case NO_2 and PM_{10} emission levels against relevant air quality objectives and concludes that the flues serving both installations require to be increased in height to 13m above ground level. This Service would therefore request that conditions controlling the make and models of boilers together with flue dimensions and types of fuel be included in any consent granted.

Suggested Conditions

- 1. Operations associated with the development including deliveries to and from the site, shall be limited to Monday to Friday 0700 1900 and Saturday 0700 1300 only.
- 2. Noise from activities within the development site shall not exceed 45 dB LAr, Tr as measured and assessed within the external amenity area of any noise sensitive property and in accordance with BS 4142:2014 Methods for rating and assessing industrial and commercial sound.
- 3. Noise from fixed plant within the development site shall not exceed NR Curve 30 between 0700 and 2200 and NR Curve 20 at all other times as measured within any dwelling or noise sensitive premises with the windows open at least 50mm.
- 4. The biomass boilers shall be a 1 no. Froling Lambdamat 1000 and 1 no. Herz Biofire 995 unless it is adequately demonstrated that an alternative

boiler(s) will meet all relevant Air Quality Objectives in respect of cumulative emissions of NO_2 and PM_{10} as laid down in the current Air Quality Strategy.

- 5. The fuel used in the boilers shall be woodchip with a maximum moisture content of 35% dry weight.
- 6. All emissions to atmosphere from the biomass boiler shall be discharged vertically from flue stacks 0.25 metres in diameter and 13 metres in height above ground level, with no rain cap or cowl. The flues shall be installed to the aforementioned height within 3 months of the date of this permission

I trust that you find the above acceptable but please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss anything further.

Regards

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Iain Graham | **Environmental Health Officer** | Angus Council - Place | Housing, Regulatory and Protective Services | Angus House, Orchardbank Business Park, Forfar, DD8 1AN | ☎01307 492026

Hi Steph,

I've had a look but I'm satisfied that this site does not pose a significant risk of harm to the proposed use from land contamination. I do not require any further information regarding contaminated land.

Regards

Alan

Alan Milne, Environmental Protection Officer (EP Unit), **Angus Council**, **Place-RPS-Environmental Health**, Angus House, Orchardbank Business Park, Orchard Loan, FORFAR DD8 1AN Telephone: 01307 492287

From: PorterSGSent: 11 September 2019 17:05To: MilneAJSubject: Planning Application - 18/00565/FULL

Hi Alan

I'm not sure if I've asked you about this before but would you have any interest in this?

Kind Regards

Stephanie Porter | Planning Officer | Place | Planning | Angus Council | Angus House | Orchardbank Business Park | Forfar, DD8 1AN | (01307 492378)
 From:
 GwynneAG

 To:
 PorterSG

 Subject:
 RE: Planning Application - 18/00565/FULL

 Date:
 12 September 2019 11:50:04

Steph

No objections to this application

Regards

Adrian

From: PorterSGSent: 11 September 2019 14:56To: GwynneAGSubject: Planning Application - 18/00565/FULL

Hi Adrian

Doesn't look like I have a Roads response to this one?

Kind Regards

Stephanie Porter | Planning Officer | Place | Planning | Angus Council | Angus House | Orchardbank Business Park | Forfar, DD8 1AN | (01307 492378)



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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED) TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013



PLANNING PERMISSION - CONDITIONAL APPROVAL REFERENCE : 18/00565/FULL

To: Angus Biofuels Mr Steven Watson Unit 3 Eco Park Carseview Road Forfar DD8 3BS

With reference to your application dated **25 March 2019** for planning permission under the above mentioned Acts and Regulations for the following development viz:-

Change of Use of Buildings and Land to Use as Biomass Fuel Production Business, Including Siting of Portable Site Office and Proposed Erection of Storage Bays and Extension to Existing Shed and Flues at Dragonhall Farm Padanaram Forfar DD8 1PX for Angus Biofuels

The Angus Council in exercise of their powers under the above mentioned Acts and Regulations hereby **Grant Planning Permission (Delegated Decision)** for the said development in accordance with the particulars given in the application and plans docqueted as relative hereto in paper or identified as approved on the Public Access portal.

The permission is subject to the following conditions, namely:-

- 1. Within 3 months of the date of this permission a scheme for landscaping of the site, including tree and hedge screening shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the planning authority. For the avoidance of doubt the soft landscaping scheme shall include a substantial landscape buffer located along the eastern site boundary consisting of an area at least 5m wide, fenced off with animal proof fencing and containing tree and shrub planting incorporating evergreen trees and shrubs to provide year round landscape mitigation. Thereafter the agreed scheme shall be completed no later than the first planting season following approval of the submitted scheme. Any trees or shrubs removed, dying, being severely damaged or becoming seriously diseased within 5 years shall be replaced by trees or shrubs of similar size and species to those originally approved in terms of this condition. The landscaping shall thereafter be maintained for as long as the use hereby approved endures at the site.
- 2. Within 6 months from the date of this permission the flues serving the biomass boilers associated with the biomass production operation shall be replaced with flues with stacks no less than 0.25 metres in diameter that terminate 13 metres in height above ground level and with no rain cap or cowl.
- 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) (Scotland) Order 1997 or the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Order 1992 (as amended) or any other subsequent revoking, amending or replacing Development Orders, the site and buildings within the site shall be used solely in connection with the Biomass Fuel Production business and shall not be used for any other purpose other than agricultural use without the further granting of planning permission from the planning authority following the submission of an application of planning permission.
- 4. Operations associated with the development including deliveries to and from the site, shall be limited to Monday to Friday 0700 1900 and Saturday 0700 1300 only.

- 5. Noise from activities within the development site shall not exceed 45 dB LAr,Tr as measured and assessed within the external amenity area of any noise sensitive property and in accordance with BS 4142:2014 Methods for rating and assessing industrial and commercial sound.
- 6. Noise from fixed plant within the development site shall not exceed NR Curve 30 between 0700 and 2200 and NR Curve 20 at all other times as measured within any dwelling or noise sensitive premises with the windows open at least 50mm.
- 7. The biomass boilers installed at the site shall be a 1 no. Froling Lambdamat 1000 and 1 no. Herz Biofire 995 unless information is submitted to and approved in writing by the planning authority which adequately demonstrates that emissions from the products of combustion exiting the flues associated with any alternative boiler(s) will meet all relevant Air Quality Objectives in respect of cumulative emissions of NO2 and PM10 as laid down in the current Air Quality Strategy.
- 8. The fuel used in the boilers shall be woodchip with a maximum moisture content of 35% dry weight.

The foregoing conditions are imposed by the Council for the following reasons :-

- 1. In the interest of the visual amenity of the area.
- 2. In order to ensure the flues installed on the buildings releases emissions from the existing biomass boilers at a level that is in compliance with the Air Quality Strategy, in the interests of air quality and amenity.
- 3. In order to prevent the use of the site or buildings for an alternative activity that could give rise to materially different impacts on the amenity of the area without full consideration of the acceptability of those impacts by the planning authority.
- 4. To protect local residents from disturbance associated with the operations within the application site in the interests of amenity.
- 5. To protect local residents from noise emissions associated with the activities carried out within the application site in the interests of amenity.
- 6. To protect local residents from noise emissions associated with the fixed plant within the application site in the interests of amenity.
- 7. To ensure the air pollutants associated with the development comply with the Air Quality Strategy in the interests of air quality and amenity.
- 8. To ensure the air pollutants associated with the development comply with the Air Quality Strategy in the interests of air quality and amenity.

The reason(s) for the foregoing decision by the Council are as follows:-

1. The proposal complies with the relevant policies of the local development plan subject to condition(s). There are no material considerations that justify refusal of planning permission.

Dated this 21 November 2019

Kate Cowey Service Leader Planning & Communities Angus Council Place Angus House Orchardbank Business Park Forfar DD8 1AN The decision was based on the following amendment(s):-

Amendments:

1. The Existing Site Layout drawing, submitted 11 July 2019, the Proposed Site Plan drawing, submitted 13 November 2019, the Existing Floor Plan and Elevations - Shed 1 drawing, submitted 19 July, and the Proposed Floor Plan and Elevations - Shed 1 drawing, submitted 13 November 2019, amend and supersede the earlier variations of these drawings submitted as part of the application. The amended drawings show the location of the existing boilers and flues, an enlarged drying extension, a kiln extension and new replacement flues.

Informatives:

1. SEPA has advised that it is likely that the net rated thermal input from the biomass boilers at the site is greater than 1MW therefore the units would be subject to SEPA's controls for medium combustion plant under the Pollution Prevention and Control (PPC) Regulations. However as the boilers were put into operation before December 2018 they will not need to be permitted until 2029. The applicant should contact SEPA to confirm the net rated thermal input so that SEPA can clarify whether any other thresholds under PPC are triggered.

It should be understood that this permission does not carry with it any necessary consent or approval to the proposed development under other statutory enactments e.g. the Building (Scotland) Act 2003 and the Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 as amended.

WARNING ANY ALTERATIONS MADE TO THE APPROVED PLANS OR STATED CONDITIONS WITHOUT THE PRIOR CONSENT OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY COULD LEAD TO ENFORCEMENT ACTION BEING TAKEN TO REMEDY OR REINSTATE THE UNAUTHORISED ALTERATIONS



WARNING

NON-COMPLIANCE WITH ANY OF THE CONDITIONS TO THIS PLANNING CONSENT COULD LEAD TO ENFORCEMENT ACTION BEING PURSUED BY THE COUNCIL.

NOTE: CONDITIONS ATTACHED BY THE COUNCIL TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER THE SUBMITTED/ APPROVED PLANS.

NO ALTERATIONS OR DEVIATIONS FROM THE APPROVED PLANS SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN WITHOUT THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE PLANNING AUTHORITY. FAILURE TO OBTAIN APPROVAL COULD LEAD TO ENFORCEMENT ACTION BEING TAKEN.

Produced by:

Angus Council Planning Service Place Angus House Orchardbank Business Park Forfar DD8 1AN
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DURATION

This permission will lapse 3 years from the date of this decision, unless there is a specific condition relating to the duration of the permission or development has commenced by that date.

PLANNING DECISIONS

Decision Types and Appeal/Review Routes

The 'decision type' as specified in your decision letter determines the appeal or review route. The route to do this is dependent on the how the application was determined. Please check your decision letter and choose the appropriate appeal/review route in accordance with the table below. Details of how to do this are included in the guidance.

Determination Type	What does this mean?	Appeal/Review Route
Development Standards Committee/Full Council	National developments, major developments and local developments determined at a meeting of the Development Standards Committee or Full Council whereby relevant parties and the applicant were given the opportunity to present their cases before a decision was reached.	DPEA (appeal to Scottish Ministers) - See details on attached Form 1
Delegated Decision	Local developments determined by the Service Manager through delegated powers under the statutory scheme of delegation. These applications may have been subject to less than five representations, minor breaches of policy or may be refusals.	Local Review Body– See details on attached Form 2
Other Decision	All decisions other than planning permission or approval of matters specified in condition. These include decisions relating to Listed Building Consent, Advertisement Consent, Conservation Area Consent and Hazardous Substances Consent.	DPEA (appeal to Scottish Ministers) - See details on attached Form 1

Notification of initiation of development (NID)

Once planning permission has been granted and the applicant has decided the date they will commence that development they must inform the Planning Authority of that date. The notice must be submitted before development commences – failure to do so would be a breach of planning control. The relevant form is included with this guidance note.

Notification of completion of development (NCD)

Once a development for which planning permission has been given has been completed the applicant must, as soon as practicable, submit a notice of completion to the planning authority. Where development is carried out in phases there is a requirement for a notice to be submitted at the conclusion of each phase. The relevant form is included with this guidance note.

Display of Notice while development is carried out

For national, major or 'bad neighbour' developments (such as public houses, hot food shops or scrap yards), the developer must, for the duration of the development, display a sign or signs containing prescribed information.

The notice must be in the prescribed form and:-

- displayed in a prominent place at or in the vicinity of the site of the development;
- readily visible to the public; and
- printed on durable material.

A display notice is included with this guidance note.

Should you have any queries in relation to any of the above, please contact:

Angus Council Planning Service Place Angus House Orchardbank Business Park Forfar DD8 1AN

Telephone	01307 492076 / 472533
E-mail:	<u>planning@angus.gov.uk</u>
Website:	<u>www.angus.gov.uk</u>



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FORM 1

The Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 – Schedule to Form 1

Notification to be sent to applicant on refusal of planning permission or on the grant of permission subject to conditions decided by Angus Council

- 1. If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the Planning Authority to refuse permission for or approval required by a condition in respect of the proposed development, or to grant permission or approval subject to conditions, the applicant may appeal to the Scottish Ministers under Section 47 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 within three months from the date of this Notice. The notice of appeal should be addressed to Directorate for Planning & Environmental Appeals, 4 The Courtyard, Callendar Business Park, Falkirk, FK1 1XR. Alternatively you can submit your appeal directly to DPEA using the national e-planning web site <u>https://eplanning.scotland.gov.uk</u>
- 2. If permission to develop land is refused or granted subject to conditions, whether by the Planning Authority or by the Scottish Ministers, and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its existing state and cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted, the owner of the land may serve on the Planning Authority a purchase notice requiring the purchase of the owner of the land's interest in the land in accordance with Part 5 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.



TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997 (AS AMENDED)

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FORM 2

The Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 – Schedule to Form 2

Notification to be sent to applicant on refusal of planning permission or on the grant of permission subject to conditions decided through Angus Council's Scheme of Delegation

- 1. If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision to refuse permission for or approval required by a condition in respect of the proposed development, or to grant permission or approval subject to conditions, the applicant may require the Planning Authority to review the case under Section 43A of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 within three months from the date of this Notice. The notice of review should be addressed to Sarah Forsyth, Committee Officer, Angus Council, Resources, Legal & Democratic Services, Angus House, Orchardbank Business Park, Forfar, DD8 1AN. A Notice of Review Form and be found the national quidance can on e-planning web site https://eplanning.scotland.gov.uk . Alternatively you can return your Notice of Review directly to the local planning authority online on the same web site.
- 2. If permission to develop land is refused or granted subject to conditions and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its existing state and cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted, the owner of the land may serve on the Planning Authority a purchase notice requiring the purchase of the owner of the land's interest in the land in accordance with Part 5 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997.

NOTIFICATION OF INITIATION OF DEVELOPMENT

This notice must be fully completed by the person intending to carry out the development as approved in application reference 18/00565/FULL for Change of Use of Buildings and Land to Use as Biomass Fuel Production Business, Including Siting of Portable Site Office and Proposed Erection of Storage Bays and Extension to Existing Shed and Flues at Dragonhall Farm Padanaram Forfar DD8 1PX for Angus Biofuels dated 21 November 2019 and thereafter submitted to the Service Manager, Angus Council, Planning Service, Place, Angus House, Orchardbank Business Park, Forfar, DD8 1AN

Full Name:
Address:
Do you own the land subject to the above permission?
If not, please provide the full name and address of the land owner:
is there a person appointed to oversee the development? If so, please provide their full name
Is there a person appointed to oversee the development? If so, please provide their full name
and contact details:
Date you intend to commence the above development:
Date you interru to commence the above development.

NOTIFICATION OF COMPLETION OF DEVELOPMENT (NCD)

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Full Name:

Date of completion of the above development:

THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013

SCHEDULE 7

Development at Dragonhall Farm Padanaram Forfar DD8 1PX

Notice is hereby given that planning permission has been granted subject to conditions to **Angus Biofuels** on **21 November 2019**.

Application reference 18/00565/FULL

The development comprises Change of Use of Buildings and Land to Use as Biomass Fuel Production Business, Including Siting of Portable Site Office and Proposed Erection of Storage Bays and Extension to Existing Shed and Flues

Further Information regarding the planning permission including the conditions, if any, on which it has been granted can be obtained at all reasonable hours at:

Angus Council Planning Service Place Angus House Orchardbank Business Park Forfar DD8 1AN

Enquiries should be directed to the Service Leader at the above address or to <u>planning@angus.gov.uk</u>

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Your experience with Planning

Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statements about your most recent experience of the Council's handling of the planning application in which you had an interest.

Q.1 I was given the	1 I was given the advice and help I needed to submit my application/representation:-					
Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	It does not apply	
Q.2 The Council ke	ept me informe	d about the progress of t	he application t	hat I had an interest in:-		
Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	It does not	
					apply	
Q.3 The Council de	ealt promptly w	ith my queries:-				
Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	It does not apply	
Q.4 The Council de	ealt helpfully w	ith my queries:-				
Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	It does not apply	
Q.5 I understand th	ne reasons for t	he decision made on the	e application that	at I had an interest in:-		
Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	It does not	
		Disagree			apply	
Q.6 I feel that I was	s treated fairly	and that my view point v	vas listened to:-			
Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	It does not	
					apply	
OVERALL SATISFACTION	: Ove	rall satisfaction with the s	ervice:			
•		application was succes u with the service provid				
Very satisfied	Fairly satisfie	ed Neither Satisfie Dissatisfied		rly Dissatisfied Ve	ry Dissatisfied	
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OUTCOME: Outc	come of the ap	oplication:				
Q.8 Was the applic	cation that you	had an interest in:-				
Granted Permission/C	onsent	Refused Permiss	ion/Consent	Withdr	awn	
Q.9 Were you the:-	Applica	nt Agent		Third Party objector who made a representation		

Please complete the form and return in the pre-paid envelope provided. Thank you for taking the time to complete this form.



















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S. WATSON FARM

Dragonhall Farm Padanaram By Forfar DD8 1PX

Correspondence Address:

Unit 3 – Eco Park, Carseview Road Forfar, DD8 3 BS tel: 01307 466699 fax: 01307 462278

e-mail address: steve@angusbiofuels.co.uk

Existing Operations at Dragonhall:

Farming of cereals, potatoes, peas and other agricultural crops, fertilizer and seed storage drying of crops on 70 acres of land at Ballindarg and Dragonhall.

Storage of Timber from our own forests and local estates for the production of wood chip for biomass fuel.

Average collections 1 load round wood per day Monday to Friday 25 tons per load. Average deliveries 2 loads per day tractor and trailer

5 tons each and one artic lorry 20 tons per day.

Operating Hours 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday Saturday 7am to 12 noon. (October to March)

Mobile Wood Cutting machine Albach Diamaint Chipper working average 4 hours per week.

3 no Flood lights onto working area of yard for employee's safety during winter hours.

Two biomass installations Froiling 1000 installed in 2014 Herz 995 installed March 2017 Both biomass boilers used for drying various types of agricultural and forestry crops. Approximate running hours per annum 1500 each.

> VAT REG NO: 658 4223 23 Partners: William Y Watson, Tracy D Watson

Screening Tool for annual mean PM and NO _x from biomass combustion stacks					
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B WELFARE UNIT	3	3		7.5	
C FARM WORKSHOP	5	12	5	12.	
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G					
Calculated Effective stack height		6.7	m		
Proposed stack diameter		0.25	m		
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PM _{2.5} Annual mean background concentration (include roadside contribution at relevant receptors)	11.8 μg/m ³	
Calculated Effective stack height	6.7 m	
Target Emission Rate	-0.0131 g/s	(TT)
If the maximum stack emission rate is less than the target above the exceeded. If your emissions are greater then ple		BUREAU VERITAS

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E						
G						
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Calculated Effective stack height		6.7	m			
Proposed stack diameter		0.25	m			
Location {Scotland, Rest of UK}		Scotland -				
Maximum emission rate		0.0166	g/s			
Maximum contribution to annual mean	2.2764 #N/A	μg m ⁻³ μg m ⁻³	Biomass nom Industrial non			

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PM₁₀ Emissions from Biomass Combus	Additional Comments/Information	
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Calculated Effective stack height	6.7 m	
Target Emission Rate	0.0452 g/s	
If the maximum stack emission rate is less than the target above the exceeded. If your emissions are greater then ple		BUREAU VERITAS

Biomass Boiler Information Form

This information is necessary in order to assess the impact of potentially harmful emissions. This information sheet should be completed and submitted along with an air quality screening assessment or detailed dispersion modeling report. The boiler manufacturer and/ or installer should be able to help you provide this information.

1. Particulars of the Boiler

a) General details					
Address of proposed boiler	DRAGONHALL FARM, PADANARAM, FORFAR. DD8 1PX				
6 figure location	Easting	Northing			
coordinates (easting and northing)	342313	751670			
Boiler make and model	HERZ BIOFIRE 995				
Boiler size and efficiency % (KW/MW)	995KW				
Boiler maximum rate of fuel consumption (kg/hr or m³/hr)	285KG				
b) Provide details of the almost matter (fly ash) emissions.	batement equipment in place	e for controlling particulate			
CYCLONE FILTER					
c) Is the biomass boiler an 1993?	exempt appliance in accorde	ance with the Clean Air Act			
YES					
Nitrogen? If yes provide co	ns been tested for Particulate opies of the relevant test repor sed in the supporting air quali	ts. If not then please justify the			
YES REPORT ATTACHED					

2. Boiler Stack Details

The design of the stack greatly affects how pollutants produced in the boiler disperse over the surrounding area. Your installer should be able to provide most of the details and make a calculation on stack height and design. When dispersion modeling is required you or your installer may need to engage a specialist consultant.

a) Specify the height of the boiler exhaust stack above ground. NB this should be calculated by doing an air quality screening assessment or detailed dispersion modelling as appropriate

11M

b) Specify stack internal diameter (m).

250MM

c) Specify the exhaust gas efflux velocity (m/s).

9M/SEC

3. Fuel Details

Emissions from a biomass boiler depend greatly on the type and quality of the fuel used. Reasonable guarantees are therefore needed that the fuel is compatible with the boiler and is of a high quality. Your fuel supplier and installer should be able to provide this information.

a) Detail all Fuel Types to be used (e.g. Logs, wood chip, pellets, straw etc) and for each type of Fuel detail the specification in terms of nitrogen, moisture and ash content % and calorific value MJ/Kg

FUEL TYPE	FUEL SPECIFICATION
VIRGIN WOOD CHIP	W30 G50. SEE SPECIFICATION SHEET
	with European or equivalent fuel quality standards such as
CEN/TS 335 or ONORM?	Piease provide details.

BOTH CEN/TS 335 AND ONORM

c) Describe what fuel quality control procedures will be adopted to guarantee constant fuel quality from your supplier.

WOODSURE ACCREDITED FUEL SOURCED FROM SUSTAINABLE FORESTS IN TAYSIDE. FORESTS OWNED BY BOILER OPERATOR ANGUS BIOFUELS

d) Provide evidence to demonstrate that the biomass boiler combustion system is applicable to the fuel specification.

SEE ATTACHED SPECIFICATION SHEET

4. Building Details

The dimensions of and distance to neighbouring buildings will determine the effect they have on the dispersion of the plume and therefore the height of the stack needed. Your installer should be able to provide this information.

a) Detail the dimensions of all existing and proposed buildings (including the baller house) within a radius of 5 times the baller exhaust stack height.
 Building description
 Height, m
 Width, m

A AGRICULTURAL SHED	9	20
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b) Indicate the distance from the boiler exhaust	t stack to the n	earest fan assisted
intakes and openable windows,	na an a	

APPROX 200 m

5. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

a)Have you attached a copy of your air quality assessment (Please delete as appropriate)
 YES/
 b) Have you attached a copy of your boiler emissions test report (Please delete as appropriate):
 YES/

HERZ BioFire 500-995 BioControl





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Standard specification sheet

BF 500-995

	BioFire BioControl	500	600	800	995	the state of the state	Mounting dimensions in [mm]
	Power range [kW]	150-500	180-600	240-800	300-995		
	Power range - Declaration at nameplate [kW]		-	(-)			
	Continuance of combustion max. [h]	-	-		-		
1	Length	4,245	4,735	4,735	5,260		
2	Length	3,590	3,950	3,950	4,444		
3	Length	3,050	3,250	3,250	3,774		
4	Length	2,365	2,595	2,595	3,116		
5	Length	1,350	1,350	1,350	1,367		and the second s
6	Length	200	200	200	200		
1	Width	470	470	470	483		
2	Width without flange	1,270	1,270	1,270	1,270		
	Width with flange	1,375	1,375	1,375	1,379		
3	Width	750	750	750	750		
4	Width	2,485	2,485	2,485	2,485		
5	Width	500	500	500	500		
1	Height	2,650	2,650	2,650	2,865		
2	Height	700	700	700	700		
3	Height	300	300	300	300		
4	Height ["] / [mm]	3/4" / 148	3/4" / 148	3/4" / 148	3/4" / 148		
5	Height ["] / [mm]	3/4" / 118	3/4" / 118	3/4" / 118	3/4" / 118		
6	Height	1,977	1,977	1,977	2,173		
7	Height [DN] / [mm]	100 / 1765	125 / 1765	125 / 1765	125/1965		
8	Height [DN] / [mm]	100 / 1515	125/1515	125 / 1515	125 / 1710		
9	Height	1,686	1,686	1,686	1,886		
10	Height	905	905	905	945		
1	Diameter flue pipe	300	300	300	300		
1.1.1	Inserting dimension Heat exchanger module [mm]				CARDINE AN		
	Length	1,400	1,600	1,600	1,600		Value fuels:
	Width	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400		max, wood chips G 50 W45 according to ONORM M 713
	Height	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,400		Nominal output at max. W 25
	Inserting dimension Combustion chamber module [mm]	ALL DESCRIPTION OF				and the second second	Pellets according to ONORM M 7135, DINplus
	Length	2,200	2,400	2.400	2,400	Contraction of the Contraction of the	
	Width	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400		Changes in the sense of the technical progress reserve
	Height	2,100	2,100	2.100	2,400		

1...Flow , 2...Backflow , 3... Filling/depletion (IG 1"), 4 a...Safety heat exchanger - Input (1" IG), 4 b...Safety heat exchanger - Output (1" IG)



HERZ BioFire 500-995 BioControl

Standard specification sheet BF 500-995 V 01-2011

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BioFire BioControl	500	600	800	995	Technical data
Weight of boiler [kg]	4,716	5,895	5,895	7,075	
Volume of combustion chamber [ltr.]	-	24	122	327	
min./max. delivery pressure [mbar]	0,05/0,15	0,05/0,15	0,05/0,15	0,05/0,15	
Maximum operating pressure [bar] - see note (1)	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	ST NEW THE
max. operating temperature [°C] - see note (2)	102	102	102	102	
Water capacity [ltr.]	1,146	1,660	1,660	1,950	
Electrical connention [V,Hz]			3x40	0 / 50	
Resistance of boiler at dt=35K [mbar]	36	28	31	1.0	and the second s
Resistance of boiler at dt=20K [mbar]	47	37	41	121	and a state of the second s
Resistance of boiler at dt=10K [mbar]	88	61	•	185	
Flow rate dt=18K [kg/h] min.	23,946	28,736	38,314	47,893	
Flow rate dt=10K [kg/h]	43,103	51,724	68,966	86,207	
Electric power consumption, nominal load [kW]	~1,75	1.4	-	-	
Electric power consumption, part load [kW]	~0,64	3 * 2		-	
Size of heat exchanger [m2]	25.6	32.0	32.0	32.0	
Size of grate surface [m2]	0.7	0.8	0,83	1.0	
Volume of combustion chamber [m3]	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.7	
Necessary quantity of water for safety heat exchanger [ltr./h]	850	850	850	850	
Emission - Nominal load	ile a same			Constant in the	The second s
Exhaust gas temperature [°C]	~120	~120	~130	~150	
Mass flow flue gas [kg/s]	0.400	0.479	0.614	0.798	
Mass flow flue gas [Nm ³ /h]	~1100	~1327	~1700	~2200	
CO2 content [Vol. %]	13.5	13.7	13.8	14.0	
Efficiency [%]	91.5	91.5	91.7	91.6	
Emission - Part load					
Exhaust gas temperature [°C]	~80	~80	~80	~80	
Mass flow flue gas [kg/s]	0	0	0	0	
Mass flow flue gas [Nm ³ /h]	~470	~740	~990	~1200	
CO2 content [Vol. %]	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	
Efficiency [%]	90.5	90.5	90.5	90.5	
Weight [kg]	Test and the second		1-10-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-		
Combustion chamber modul	a- 1	1,800	1,800	2,550	
Burner (trough, grate elements, handler etc.)		750	750	825	
Feed-in	1941	180	180	180	
Casing, control		85	85	105	
Heat exchanger		2,430	2,430	2,650	Changes in the sense of the technical progress reser
Accessories, ash removal	125	200	200	250	

Notes 1) Design pressure = 5.0 barg, test pressure = 7.5 barg, maximum

2) To allow adequate margin for boiler control Rural Energy recommend a maximum target flow temperature of 95 °C





Rural Energy Wood Chip Specification Sheet

The majority of the wood pellet fuel supplied to the heating market within the UK is to either the Austrian ONORM M 7133 or the British Standard EN 14961-4: 2010 Solid biofuels - Fuel specifications and classes Part 4: Wood chips for non-industrial use.

As the EN 14961-4 standard is soon to be adopted in the UK, with other national standards being phased out, then Rural Energy recommend this be used when purchasing wood chip fuel.

Each boiler product is approved for use on particular classifications within the EN standard according to the table below which must be adhered to.

Boiler type	Property class	Particle size (P) *(1)	Water Content (M) *(2)	Ash Content (A)	Wood Bulk Density (BD) *(3)
Herz Firematic 20-60	A1, A2	P16B P31.5 P45A		A1 (<1%) A2 (<1.5%	10100000 B 200
Herz Firematic 80-301	A1, A2, B1				
Herz Biomatic	A1, A2		15% - 35%		>150kg/m3
Herz Biofire	A1, A2, B1			A1 (<1%) A2 (<1.5%) B1 (<3%)	

*(1) Also allowed is G30 or G50 according to ONRM 7133

*(2) If fuel water content is higher than 25% then the boiler may not reach nominal (rated) power.

*(3) If calorific value is lower than 3.1 kWh/kg then boiler may not reach nominal (rated) power

Please note that using recycled wood which has been shredded instead of chipped (using a fuel wood chipper) will require authorisation by the local authority and may cause the following issues:

- the full nominal boiler power may not be achievable due to reduced flow characteristics
- it may not be possible to obtain good combustion parameters. Incorrect combustion can reduce equipment life and would invalidate the boiler warranty.
- there may be problems with "bridging" over the auger in the wood chip store
- There may be chemical contaminants that cannot be seen in the fuel; the fuel may require chemical analysis testing to ensure it is clean.

If recycled wood is planned then Rural Energy would require a fuel sample before approving its use.



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Renewable Heat Incentive

Non-domestic Renewable Heat Incentive Emissions Certificate



This certificate provides evidence that the tested boiler meets the air quality requirements of the non-domestic Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI). It must be issued by a testing laboratory. Applicants applying for the RHI with biomass boilers must submit a certificate with their application, or alternatively, an environmental permit.

1. TEST HOUSE	
a) name and address of testing laboratory	The Engineering Test Institute, Public Enterprise Hudcova 424/56b, 621 00 Brno, Czech Republic tel.: 00420 541 120 330 e-mail.: <u>holomek@szutest.cz</u> web: <u>www.szutest.cz</u>
 b) name and signature of the person authorised by the testing laboratory to issue the certificate 	Milan Holomek Head of Heat and Environment-Friendly Equipment Test Station
	2013-12-05
 c) date of issue of the certificate together with certificate reference number 	Date: 2013-10-31 Nr.: SZUBR028
d) if testing laboratory is accredited to ISO 17025, date of accreditation and accreditation number (note: if testing conducted after 24 September 2013, the testing laboratory must be ISO 17025 accredited)	Lab No/Accreditation Number No. 347/2013 of 2013-06-24 (current), No. 321/2012 of 2012-05-29 (previous) Lab Accreditation Date No. 347/2013 of 2013-06-24 (current), No. 321/2012 of 2012-05-29 (previous)

a) name of the plant tested	BioFire
b) model of the plant tested	BioFire 800
c) manufacturer of the plant tested	Herz Energietechnik GmbH Herzstrasse 1 A-7423 Pinkafeld Austria
d) installation capacity of the plant in kilowatts (kW)	800 kW
 e) is the plant a <u>manually stoked, natural draught</u> plant? (that is, without a fan providing forced or induced draught) 	no, automatic
) the date the plant was tested	2013.10.11
g) list of all the plants in the type-testing range of plants to which the certificate applies, if any	BioFire 500/600/800/995

a) types of fuels used when testing	Wood chips, Wood pellets
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b) based on the testing, list the range of fuels that can be used	Wood chips
in compliance with the emission limits of 30 grams per gigajoule	according to
(g/GJ) net heat input for particulate matter (PM), and 150 g/GJ net heat input for oxides of nitrogen (NOx)	EN 303-5:2012: B1
(based if relevant on classifications from EN14961 or EN303-5)	Wood chips
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	EN 14961-4: A1, A2, B1
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	Wood pellets
	according to
	EN 303-5:2012: C1
	LIN 000 0.2012. 01
	Wood pellets
	according to
	EN 14961-4: A1, A2
	EN 14301-4. A1, A2
c) moisture content of the fuel used during testing	Wood chips - 12.90 %,
	Wood pellets - 6.92 %
d) maximum moisture content of the fuel which can be used so	Wood chips - max 35 %
as to ensure that the emission limits are not exceeded	an internet and an and a set of the set of t
	Wood pellets - max 12 %

a) if the plant is 500kW or lower, and BS EN 303-5:1999 or	
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measurements, each of at least 30 minutes duration and;	
- the value for NOx emissions is derived from the mean of	not applicable
measurements made throughout the PM tests.	not applicable
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c) if the plant is 500kW or higher, please confirm:	
- emissions of PM represent the average of at least three	yes
measurements, each of at least 30 minutes duration and;	
- the value for NOx emissions is derived from the mean of PM	yes
measurements made throughout the PM tests.	
d) please confirm the tests were conducted to:	
- EN 14792:2005 in respect of NOx, and;	yes
- EN 13284-1:2002 or ISO 9096:2003 in respect of PM	yes
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e) please confirm the plant tested at ≥85% of its rated output	yes
f) please confirm the tests show that emissions were no greater	yes

g) measured emissions of PM in g/GJ net heat input	Wood chips:
37	
	Nominal heat output:
	BioFire 800 – 800kW: 15 g/GJ
	Part load (42,9%):
	BioFire 800 – 800kW: 7 g/GJ
	Wood pellets:
	New well have a structure
	Nominal heat output: BioFire 800 – 800kW: 10 g/GJ
	Part load (45.4%):
	BioFire 800 – 800kW: 8 g/GJ
h) measured emissions of NOx in g/GJ net heat input	Wood ships
	Wood chips:
	Nominal heat output:
	BioFire 800 – 800kW: 76 g/GJ
	Part load (42,9%):
	BioFire 800 – 800kW: 63 g/GJ
	Wood pellets:
	Nominal heat output:
	BioFire 800 – 800kW: 146 g/GJ
	Part load (45.4%):
	BioFire 800 – 800kW: 53 g/GJ

Biomass Boiler Information Form

This information is necessary in order to assess the impact of potentially harmful emissions. This information sheet should be completed and submitted along with an air quality screening assessment or detailed dispersion modeling report. The boiler manufacturer and/ or installer should be able to help you provide this information.

1. Particulars of the Boiler

a) General details						
Address of proposed boiler	DRAGONHALL FARM, PADANARAM, FORFAR DD8 1PZ					
6 figure location	Easting	Northing				
coordinates (easting and northing)	342292	751635				
Boiler make and model	FROLING LAMBDAMAT 1000					
Boiler size and efficiency % (KW/MW)	999KW 90% EFFICIENCY					
Boiler maximum rate of fuel consumption (kg/hr or m³/hr)	290KG					
b) Provide details of the abatement equipment in place for controlling particulate matter (fly ash) emissions.						
CYCLONE FILTER AND EXH,	AUST GAS RE CIRCULATION					
c) Is the biomass boiler an 1993?	exempt appliance in accorda	nce with the Clean Air Act				
YES						
Nitrogen? If yes provide co	ns been tested for Particulate r opies of the relevant test report sed in the supporting air qualit	s. If not then please justify the				
YES SEE ATTACHED REPORT						

2. Boiler Stack Details

The design of the stack greatly affects how pollutants produced in the boiler disperse over the surrounding area. Your installer should be able to provide most of the details and make a calculation on stack height and design. When dispersion modeling is required you or your installer may need to engage a specialist consultant.

a) Specify the height of the boiler exhaust stack above ground. NB this should be calculated by doing an air quality screening assessment or detailed dispersion modelling as appropriate

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b) Specify stack internal diameter (m).		
250MM		
c) Specify the exhaust gas efflux veloci	ty (m /c)	
	TY (110/37.	
7.8m/sec		

3. Fuel Details

Emissions from a biomass boiler depend greatly on the type and quality of the fuel used. Reasonable guarantees are therefore needed that the fuel is compatible with the boiler and is of a high quality. Your fuel supplier and installer should be able to provide this information.

	to be used (e.g. Logs, wood chip, pellets, straw etc) and for all the specification in terms of nitrogen, moisture and ash c value MJ/Kg
FUEL TYPE	FUEL SPECIFICATION
Virgin woodchip	W30 G30 ASH CONTENT LESS THAN 1% CALORIFIC VALUE 3.4KW/KG.
	ly with European or equivalent fuel quality standards such as ? Please provide details.
YES SEE ATTACHED DO	CUMENT

c) Describe what fuel quality control procedures will be adopted to guarantee constant fuel quality from your supplier.

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d) Provide evidence to demonstrate that the biomass boiler combustion system is applicable to the fuel specification.

SEE ATTACHED DATA SHEET

4. Building Details

The dimensions of and distance to neighbouring buildings will determine the effect they have on the dispersion of the plume and therefore the height of the stack needed. Your installer should be able to provide this information.

Height, m	Width, m
9	20
9	20
6	15
-	9

intakes and openable windows.

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5. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

 a) Have you attached a copy of your air quality assessment (Please delete as appropriate)

YES/

b) Have you attached a copy of your boiler emissions test report (Please delete as

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appropriate)

YES/



Operating Instructions
Lambdamat Kommunal S/H



Translation of the original German operating instructions for the operator Read and follow the instructions and safety information! Technical changes, typographical errors and omissions reserved! B0700211_en

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2.4 Permitted uses

The Froling Lambdamat Communal is designed exclusively for heating domestic water. Only use fuels specified in the "Permitted fuels" section.

See "Permitted fuels" [page 10]

The boiler should only be operated when it is in full working order. It should be operated in accordance with the instructions, observing safety precautions, and you should ensure you are aware of the potential hazards. The inspection and cleaning intervals in these operating instructions should be observed. Ensure that any malfunctions which might impact safety are traced and removed immediately. The manufacturer and supplier are not liable for any damage resulting from non-permitted uses.

2.4.1 Permitted fuels

Wood chips

Criterion	ÖNORM M 7133	CEN/TS 14961	Description as per ÖNORM M 7133
Water content	W20	M20	Air dried
	W30	M30	Suitable for storage
	W35	-	Limited suitability for storage
	W40	M40	High-moisture wood chips
	W50	5 	Freshly harvested wood chips
Size	G30	P16	Fine wood chips
	G50	P45	Medium wood chips
	G100	P63/100	Coarse wood chips (for hydraulic feeders only)

Note on standard

ONORM M 7	7133 or EN 14961

Wood chips as per §3 (1) point 4 of the First Federal Emissions Protection Ordinance (BImSchV) - applicable version Specifications as per DIN CEN/TS 14961 and/or ÖNORM M 7133

Wood shavings

Austria: Germany:

Wood shavings generally cause problems with combustion. Therefore their use is permitted only with authorisation from Froling. The following additional points also apply:

- Sawdust and carpentry waste should only be used with systems with a rotary valve.
- The store should be fitted with a pressure release device in accordance with regional regulations.
- The same limits apply for the permitted water content of sawdust as for wood chips.



2.4.2 Non-permitted fuels

The use of fuels not defined in the "Permitted fuels" section, and particularly the burning of refuse, is not permitted.



In case of use of non-permitted fuels:

Burning non-permitted fuels increases the cleaning requirements and leads to a build-up of aggressive sedimentation and condensation, which can lead to damage to the boiler and also invalidates the guarantee. Using non-standard fuels can also lead to severe faults with combustion.

For that reason, when operating the boiler:

Only use permitted fuels

2.4.3 Qualification of operating staff



If unauthorised persons enter the Boiler room:

Risk of personal injury and damage to property

The operator is responsible for keeping unauthorised persons, in particular children, away from the system.

Only trained operators are permitted to operate the unit. The operator must also have read and understood the instructions in the documentation.

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Renewable Heat Incentive Non-domestic Renewable Heat Incentive Emissions Certificate

This certificate provides evidence that the tested boiler meets the air quality requirements of the non-domestic Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI). It must be issued by a testing laboratory. Applicants applying for the RHI with biomass boilers must submit a certificate with their application, or alternatively, an environmental permit.

1. TEST HOUSE	
 a) name, address and logo of testing laboratory 	TÜV AUSTRIA SERVICES GMBH Am Thalbach 15 A-4600 Thalheim/Wels
 b) name and signature of the person authorised by the testing laboratory to issue the certificate 	Schrögendorfer Gerald
c) date of issue of the certificate together with certificate reference number	Date of issue: 16/12/2013 Certificate reference number: 13-UW/Wels-EX-055, RHI Cert Fröling_ TÜV Austria_Lambdamat 1000_131216
 d) if testing laboratory is accredited to ISO 17025, date of accreditation and accreditation number 	TÜV AUSTRIA SERVICES GMBH 01/07/2007, Id.No 274
(note: if testing conducted after 24 September 2013, the testing laboratory must be ISO 17025 accredited)	(before 01/07/2007: TÜV Austria, Id.No. 10)

2. PLANT	
a) name of the plant tested (family of design)	Lambdamat
b) model of the plant tested	Lambdamat 1000
c) manufacturer of the plant tested	Fröling Heizkessel- und Behälterbau GesmbH
 d) installation capacity of the plant in kilowatts (kW, nominal heat output) 	999
 e) is the plant a <u>manually stoked, natural</u> <u>draught</u> plant? (that is, without a fan providing forced or induced draught) 	No
f) the date the plant was tested Emission tests (NOx, dust,) at nominal heat output	07/10/2008
g) list of all the plants in the type-testing range of plants to which the certificate applies, if any¹	Not applicable

¹ The type-testing approach enables testing laboratories to provide assurance that all boilers in a given range meet the air quality requirements, without needing to specifically test each boiler.

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3. FUELS	
 a) types of fuels used when testing 	Wood chips
b) based on the testing, list the range of fuels that can be used in compliance with the emission limits of 30 grams per gigajoule (g/GJ) net heat input for particulate matter (PM), and 150 g/GJ net heat input for oxides of nitrogen (NOx) (based if relevant on classifications from EN14961 or EN303-5)	EN 14961-4, class A2
c) moisture content of the fuel used during testing	w = 28 %
d) maximum moisture content of the fuel which can be used so as to ensure that the emission limits are not exceeded	w = 35 %, in the heat output range > 65 % of nominal heat output: w = 50 %

4. TESTS	
 a) if the plant is 500kW or lower, and BS EN 303-5:1999 or EN 303-5:2012² applies to it, please confirm: tests were conducted to whichever standard was current at the time of testing. (please circle the applicable standard) 	BS EN 303-5:1999: yes/no BS EN 303-5:2012: yes/no not applicable
b) if the plant is 500kW or lower, and BS EN 303-5:1999 or BS EN 303-5:2012 do not apply to it, please confirm:	
 emissions of PM represent the average of at least three measurements, each of at least 30 minutes duration and; 	yes/no/ not applicable
 the value for NOx emissions is derived from the mean of measurements made throughout the PM tests. 	ves/no/ not applicable
c) if the plant is 500kW or higher, please confirm:	
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 the value for NOx emissions is derived from the mean of PM measurements made throughout the PM tests. 	ves/no/ not applicable
 d) please confirm the tests were conducted to: EN 14792:2005 in respect of NOx, and; EN 13284-1:2002 or ISO 9096:2003 in respect of PM³ 	ves/no ves/no
e) please confirm the plant tested at \geq 85% of its rated output	vesino
f) please confirm the tests show that emissions were no greater than 30 g/GJ PM and 150 g/GJ NOx	(yes/no
g) measured emissions of PM in g/GJ net heat input ⁴	23
h) measured emissions of NOx in g/GJ net heat input ⁴	71
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 ² BS EN303-5:1999 and 2012 explain what should be measured and when.
 ³ These standards explain how to make the PM and NOx measurements.
 ⁴ Emission data given in point 4g and 4 h determined at nominal heat output

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DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

APPLICATION FOR REVIEW

APPEAL AGAINST CONDITION 1 OF PLANNING PERMISSION REF 18/00565/FULL – CHANGE OF USE OF BUILDINGS AND LAND TO USE AS BIOMASS FUEL PRODUCTION BUSINESS, INCLUDING SITING OF PORTABLE SITE OFFICE AND PROPOSED ERECTION OF STORAGE BAYS AND EXTENSION TO EXISTING SHED AND FLUES AT DRAGONHALL FARM, PADANARAM, FORFAR

APPLICANT'S SUBMISSION

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- **ITEM 1** Notice of Review
- **ITEM 2** Appeal Letter

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Applicant or Agent Details Are you an applicant or an agent? * (An agent is an architect, consultant or someone else acting on behalf of the applicant in connection with this application)			
Agent Details			
Please enter Agent detail	S		
Company/Organisation:	Angus Biofuels		
Ref. Number:		You must enter a B	uilding Name or Number, or both: *
First Name: *	WILLIAM	Building Name:	ECO PARK
Last Name: *	WATSON	Building Number:	1
Telephone Number: *	01307 466699	Address 1 (Street): *	CARSEVIEW ROAD
Extension Number:		Address 2:	
Mobile Number:		Town/City: *	FORFAR
Fax Number:		Country: *	SCOTLAND
		Postcode: *	DD8 3BS
Email Address: *	bill@angusbiofuels.co.uk		
Is the applicant an individ	lual or an organisation/corporate entity? *		

Applicant De	etails		
Please enter Applicant	details		
Title:	Mr	You must enter a Bu	uilding Name or Number, or both: *
Other Title:		Building Name:	ECO PARK
First Name: *	STEVEN	Building Number:	3
Last Name: *	WATSON	Address 1 (Street): *	CARSEVIEW ROAD
Company/Organisation	ANGUS BIOFUELS	Address 2:	
Telephone Number: *	01307466699	Town/City: *	FORFAR
Extension Number:		Country: *	ANGUS
Mobile Number:	07716245298	Postcode: *	DD8 3BS
Fax Number:			
Email Address: *	STEVE@ANGUSBIOFUELS.CO.UK		
Site Address	o Details		
Planning Authority:	Angus Council	·····	
Full postal address of th	ne site (including postcode where available	e):	
Address 1:	DRAGONHALL FARM	<u> </u>	
Address 2:	PADANARAM		
Address 3:			
Address 4:			
Address 5:			
Town/City/Settlement:	FORFAR		
Post Code:	DD8 1PX		
Please identify/describe	the location of the site or sites		
Northing	751663	Easting	342276

Description of Proposal

Please provide a description of your proposal to which your review relates. The description should be the same as given in the application form, or as amended with the agreement of the planning authority: * (Max 500 characters)

CHANGE OF USE OF BUILDINGS AND LAND TO USE AS BIOMASS FUEL PRODUCTION BUSINESS, INCLUDING SITING OF PORTABLE OFFICE AND PROPOSED ERECTION OF STORAGE BAYS AND EXTENSION TO EXISITING SHED AND FLUES.

Type of Application

What type of application did you submit to the planning authority? *

Application for planning permission (including householder application but excluding application to work minerals).

Application for planning permission in principle.

Further application.

Application for approval of matters specified in conditions.

What does your review relate to? *

Refusal Notice.

Grant of permission with Conditions imposed.

No decision reached within the prescribed period (two months after validation date or any agreed extension) - deemed refusal.

Statement of reasons for seeking review

You must state in full, why you are a seeking a review of the planning authority's decision (or failure to make a decision). Your statement must set out all matters you consider require to be taken into account in determining your review. If necessary this can be provided as a separate document in the 'Supporting Documents' section: * (Max 500 characters)

Note: you are unlikely to have a further opportunity to add to your statement of appeal at a later date, so it is essential that you produce all of the information you want the decision-maker to take into account.

You should not however raise any new matter which was not before the planning authority at the time it decided your application (or at the time expiry of the period of determination), unless you can demonstrate that the new matter could not have been raised before that time or that it not being raised before that time is a consequence of exceptional circumstances.

Removal of Condition 1 as per attached statement.

Have you raised any matters which were not before the appointed officer at the time the Determination on your application was made? *

	Yes	\mathbf{X}	No
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If yes, you should explain in the box below, why you are raising the new matter, why it was not raised with the appointed officer before your application was determined and why you consider it should be considered in your review: * (Max 500 characters)

Please provide a list of all supporting documents, materials and evidence which you wish to to rely on in support of your review. You can attach these documents electronically later in the second se			d intend
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Application Details			
Please provide details of the application and decision.			
What is the application reference number? *	18/00565/FULL		
What date was the application submitted to the planning authority? *	25/03/2019	25/03/2019	
What date was the decision issued by the planning authority? *	21/11/2019]	
Review Procedure		-	
The Local Review Body will decide on the procedure to be used to determine your review and may at any time during the review process require that further information or representations be made to enable them to determine the review. Further information may be required by one or a combination of procedures, such as: written submissions; the holding of one or more hearing sessions and/or inspecting the land which is the subject of the review case.			
Can this review continue to a conclusion, in your opinion, based on a review of the relevant i parties only, without any further procedures? For example, written submission, hearing sess Yes No	information provided by sion, site inspection. *	yourself and	other
In the event that the Local Review Body appointed to consider your application decides to in	spect the site, in your or	pinion:	
Can the site be clearly seen from a road or public land? *		Yes 🗌 No	
Is it possible for the site to be accessed safely and without barriers to entry? *)
Checklist – Application for Notice of Review			
Please complete the following checklist to make sure you have provided all the necessary in to submit all this information may result in your appeal being deemed invalid.	nformation in support of	your appeal.	Failure
Have you provided the name and address of the applicant?. *			
Have you provided the date and reference number of the application which is the subject of i review? *	this 🛛 Yes 🗌 M	١o	
If you are the agent, acting on behalf of the applicant, have you provided details of your nam and address and indicated whether any notice or correspondence required in connection wit review should be sent to you or the applicant? *	h the		
Have you provided a statement setting out your reasons for requiring a review and by what procedure (or combination of procedures) you wish the review to be conducted? $*$	X Yes 🗋 N	40	
Note: You must state, in full, why you are seeking a review on your application. Your statement must set out all matters you consider require to be taken into account in determining your review. You may not have a further opportunity to add to your statement of review at a later date. It is therefore essential that you submit with your notice of review, all necessary information and evidence that you rely on and wish the Local Review Body to consider as part of your review.			
Please attach a copy of all documents, material and evidence which you intend to rely on (e.g. plans and Drawings) which are now the subject of this review *	X Yes 🗆 N	10	
Note: Where the review relates to a further application e.g. renewal of planning permission o planning condition or where it relates to an application for approval of matters specified in co application reference number, approved plans and decision notice (if any) from the earlier co	onditions, it is advisable t		

Declare – Notice of Review

I/We the applicant/agent certify that this is an application for review on the grounds stated.

Declaration Name: Mr WILLIAM WATSON

Declaration Date: 03/12/2019

S. WATSON FARM

Dragonhall Farm			
Padanaram			
By Forfar DD8 1PZ			
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Unit 3 – Eco Park, Carseview Road Forfar, DD8 3BS tel: 01307 466699 mobile: 07716245299 e-mail address: steve@angusbiofuels.co.uk

PLANNING REFERENCE 18/00565

2 December 2019

CONDITION NO 1.

Dear Sir,

I would like to apply for a relaxation and removal of Condition 1 for the implementation for landscaping along the eastern boundary for the following reasons:

The wood fuel production depot has been in operation for over 10 years producing natural sustainable wood fuel for use in biomass boilers used by local Councils for schools and the NHS for hospitals. The original plant was partially funded by the Scottish Government to assist in establishing a sustainable wood fuel depot to help in the government achieve its target to reduce CO2 emissions in the fight against global warming.

The wood fuel produced is also used by Housing Associations who provide low cost heat to their tenants experiencing fuel poverty we provide affordable heating due to our current low production costs at Dragonhall.

We keep the production costs low by naturally drying the timber stacks for up to 9 months, stacking the round lengths of timber in the direction of East to West. This allows the maximum air flow through the timber from the prevailing westerly wind. This natural process will reduce the moisture content from 65% to 30% in the summer months. This is recognized by the Forestry Commission as best practice.

The next stage in the process is to chip the timber into the storage shed ready for dispatch.

In the winter months we only use biomass boilers to dry the wet chip as and when required as this is a more costly production method using electricity and wood fuel it also produces noise and flue gas emissions which we try to keep to a minimum. This is required to get our fuel below 30% moisture content to comply with our client's biomass boiler specifications and satisfying Environmental Health criteria.

If the proposed landscape strip were planted this would create a natural obstruction to the air flow through the stacks and therefore we would have to mechanically dry more timber which would result in our production costs rising which we would ultimately have to pass onto our clients whose primary aim is to provide low cost heating using carbon neutral fuel.

Condition 1 would reduce our current depot storage capacity which would have a detrimental impact on our business operations and viability to grow.

A tree and hedge screen would also have an impact on my agricultural business which I am a sole trader and would affect the ground moisture content and ripening of my crops grown in the adjacent field which is class 3 arable status.

Please consider the above material points which replace the reason given as interest of visual amenity, we personally do not find the timber stacks unappealing as they are part of our agricultural and forestry industry and a common sight throughout the Angus rural areas.

I hope you understand my concerns. All other conditions are acceptable.

Kind Regards



Steven Watson

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