

DESIGN & ACCESS STATEMENT

THIS STATEMENT IS IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF COUNTRY FAYRE

The existing roof of Country Fayre is inadequate for a number of reasons, namely and primarily it leaks badly whenever it rains heavily, as evidenced by Health & Safety during an inspection, when large sections of Country Fayre had to be closed due to flooding. Because of this basic problem the gutters have to be kept completely clean and Health & Safety expressed concerns that due to the major part of the roof being thin single skin profile sheeting serious Health & Safety aspects apply. Further the majority of the roof is not insulated and, therefore, not environmentally friendly.

It is thought the only way to correct these deficiencies is to replace the roof with 100mm insulated profile sheet. Two problems arise in replacing the roof: -

- 1) The existing structure supporting the roof does not comply with current building regulations, therefore new stanchions, rafters and purlins will need to be put in place and
- 2) Since we cannot afford for the business to be closed during construction the proposal shows a roof higher than the existing pitch roof, to enable the new roof to be put on whilst keeping the existing pitch roof, which will obviously be removed after completion of the new roof and the footprint of the new roof will be slightly smaller than that of the existing buildings. Consequently it will not increase sales space in any way.

Originally, as per our November 2006 application, it was thought that we could put a flat roof on but this has proved to be far too expensive and the current application shows a pitch roof running North to South with a ridge height of approximately 1.8metres higher than the flat roof shown on the November 2006 application, only the ridge being 1.8 metres higher. The new application entails nine pitch roofs facing North which will be hidden by a flat fascia wall level with the nine ridges.

At the same time as replacing the existing roof we will use the opportunity to upgrade the existing lighting and power to current codes and standards.

It is proposed the profile sheet will be mid-green which will blend with the surrounding countryside and take away the eyesore of the existing roof on Country Fayre, which is multicoloured. Further the same mid-green will be used on all of the walls making the replacement structure far more pleasing when viewed from Highdown.

Further the existing Northern entrance will be put in the Eastern wall so no ramps will be needed for entrance and exit. As agreed the car parking has been left as existing and the rear as open storage as the re-designed front car park and rear car park and storage will be the subject of a separate application when the additional information requested by the Highways and Arun District Council will be supplied in approximately eight weeks.

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