## **Application for Prior Notification for a Forestry Permitted Development**

**Proposal** – to site a steel shipping container to store materials for the purpose of creating a woodland within a field adjacent to Stanegate near Crindledykes, Thorngrafton NE47 7AF.

The proposed container is required for the secure storage of tree stakes, tree shelters and fencing material necessary for the development of the woodland. A planting plan and species list for the woodland is enclosed with this application. The field, outlined in red on the location plan, comprises 7.0 hectares of which 4.5 hectares will be planted. The woodland is a mixed species amenity woodland designed to produce utilisable timber. The Forestry Commission, following consultation with other agencies including NNPA, has determined that an Environmental Impact Assessment is not required for this afforestation project.

The woodland will be planted over a period of 5 years. The container is required for the secure storage of materials required to enable the tree planting to take place and for the subsequent maintenance of the planted trees: tree stakes, tree shelters and fencing materials.

The steel shipping container is 6.10m x 2.44m x 2.59m high. It will sit on a hardcore pad. It will not be fixed to the ground, and there will be no electrical, water or drainage connections. The container will be painted dark green. The location of the container and the adjacent landform means that the container will be scarcely visible from the Stanegate, with only a distant view of the roof from the highest point of the Stanegate when the vegetation is low.

The field can now be regarded as being in forestry use: grazing has ceased and a meaningful start to afforestation has been made with more than 500 trees (robust species not requiring tree shelters) planted. The container is now required to enable the remaining tree planting to take place.

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Proposed location of shipping container.



Typical 6.1m (20ft) shipping container

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## Crindle Wood - planting proposal

Compartment	ţ.	Sub-compt	Area (ha)	Species
	1	а	0.1	gean, hawthorn
	1	b	0.5	birch, oak, hawthorn
	1	c	0.4	open
1 Total			1.0	•
	2	а	0.1	alder, willow
	2	b	0.4	birch, oak
	2	С	0.1	hawthorn
	2	d	1.2	spruce
	2	е	0.3	birch, aspen
	2	f	0.6	open
2 Total			2.7	
	3	a	0.8	sycamore, birch, hazel
	3	b	0.2	alder, willow
	3	c	0.2	gean, hawthorn
	3	d	0.1	alder
	3	е	0.2	pine
	3	f	0.2	spruce
	3	g	0.1	fir
	3	h_	1.5	open
3 Total		<u>.</u>	3.3	
<b>Grand Total</b>			7.0	
		conifer	1.7	24%
		broadleaf	2.8	40%
		open	2.5	36%

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