

Design and Access Statement

Site: Proposed Cattle Shelter Building, Bickerton, Northumberland

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Site:

The proposed site for the timber framed Cattle Shelter building is in an existing grass pasture field to the South East of Bickerton.

The proposed location is at the edge of the field, backing onto a hawthorn hedge and partially screened from view from Bickerton Farmhouse and the public highway to the North by mature trees lining the banks of the Whitefield Burn.

Design:

The proposed Cattle Shelter Building is to be a (natural coloured) timber frame construction with a pressed steel sheet roof covering (coloured green). The dimensions of the building are 4.8m x 9.344m x 3.1m (Maximum Height).

The Hepple Whitefield Estate has a new stewardship plan which includes an outwintering regime for their Cattle and the building is required at Bickerton to allow for claving to take place (which is where the activity will happen). The existing farm buildings at Whitefield Farm are unavailable for the Estate to use (and are too far away from Bickerton).

Access:

Access to the proposed Cattle Shelter Building is possible from the existing field gate accesses and will not result in any increase in traffic (as the farmer will continue to tend to the stock as required previously).