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Nature of your feedback?:

Support the application

Comment:

This short note is to support the planning amendments submitted by Mr. Drummond for his family's soft fruit business. The 2 substantive grounds for my support comprise: first, improving the environmental sustainability of berry production occasioned through moving production technology to a "table top" system, thereby - improving water conservation in the production process, reducing pesticide usage on the land base and reducing the area covered by tunnels; secondly, food security is an increasingly critical issue in the UK specifically (and in the world overall) - food self-sufficiency has fallen sharply in the UK over the past decade. The Drummond family soft fruit business must progress technologically and managerially if it is to remain competitive and their proposed planning amendments will support productivity improvements in fruit production. The UK is woefully low in fruit self-sufficiency, with strawberries and raspberries being 2 beacons of relative success. Encouraging productive, sustainable soft fruit production is important for our nation and the planning amendments requested by the Drummond family are consonant with the national goal of improving overall food self-sufficiency.

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