Access Application

Land adjacent to Warren Lane
Aston Crews
Herefordshire
HR9 7LT



Design and Access Statement G111_D&A

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Executive Summary

This design and access statement has been prepared to support an application for a new agricultural access from the field adjacent to Warren Lane.

The field is currently accessed through an informal right of access to a neighbouring field. However, this application seeks to ensure that the field has its own direct access from Warren Lane.

The creation of an access onto Warren Lane would halt the inconvenience of the current access arrangement through the neighbouring field. The current access is inaccessible in poor weather conditions, and is generally not appropriate for larger agricultural vehicles.

Access Requirements

The proposed new access point is towards the north western corner of the site, for access to the barn in the field (application: 221376), for transport and storage of tools.

Warren Lane

Warren Lane is a single width lane running from Aston Crews to the B4244. The lane is largely used for agricultural access to other fields.

Design

The proposed fence design is stock post and wire fencing and a metal gate, in keeping with the agricultural character of the local area and the existing surrounding fencing.

Visibility Splays

The proposed access location allows for farthest visibility splays down the lane - drawing G111_1103 shows that the proposed access location supports visibility splays of 80m. Sections of hedgerows would need to be cut back to achieve this, but additional hedgerow planting would be planted around the proposed fencing.

Hedgerow Regulations Assessment

A Hedgerow Regulations Assessment has been undertaken at the request of Herefordshire Council. The hedgerow does not meet the criteria to be classed as an 'important' hedgerow under The Hedgerows Regulations 1997, and recommendations have been made with regard to the composition of the replacement hedgerow to reflect species identified during the site survey.

Supporting Documentation

Please refer to the submitted supporting documentation for location plans, photographs and drawings associated with this application:

- G111_0100 Site Location Plan
- G111_1101 Access Plan
- G111_1102 Turning Circles
- G111_1103 Visibility Splays
- G111_1001 Site Photos