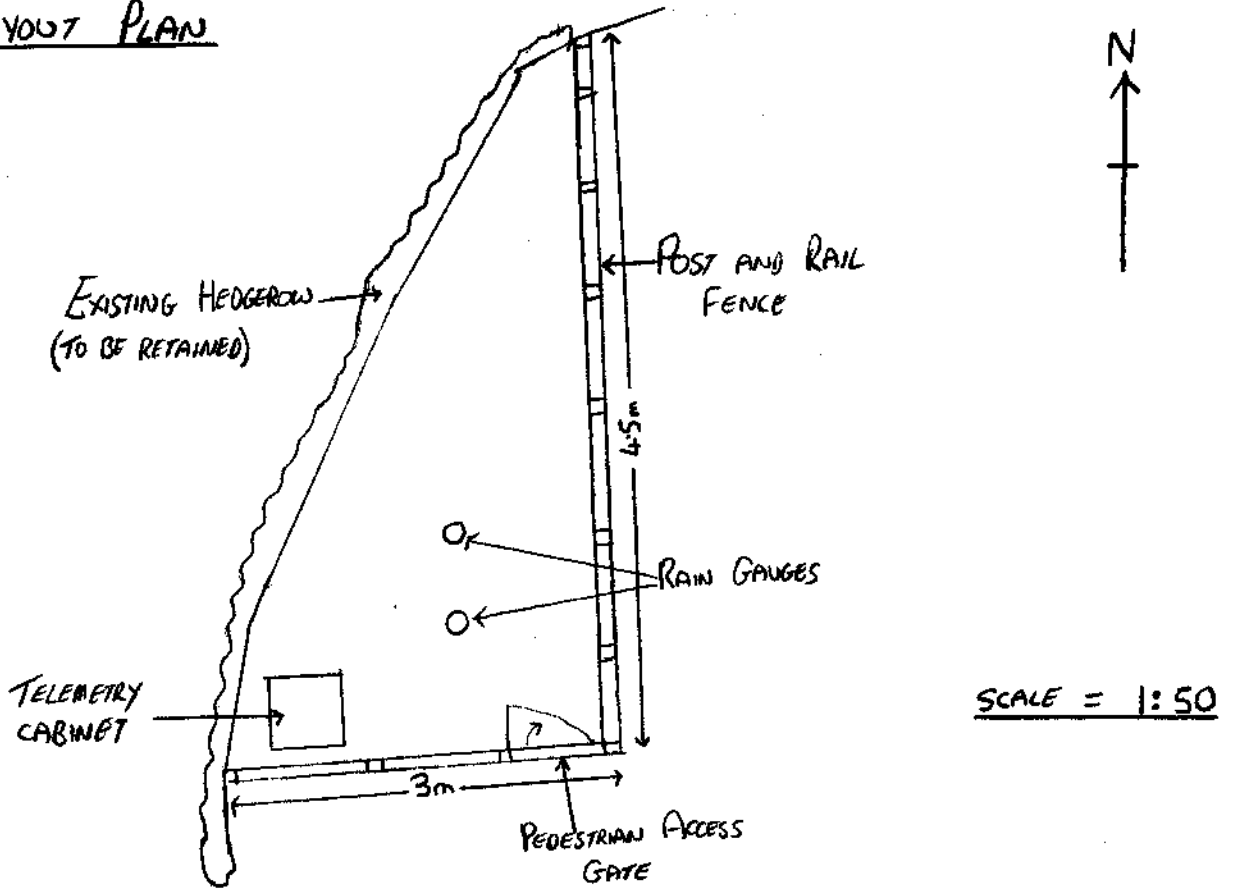


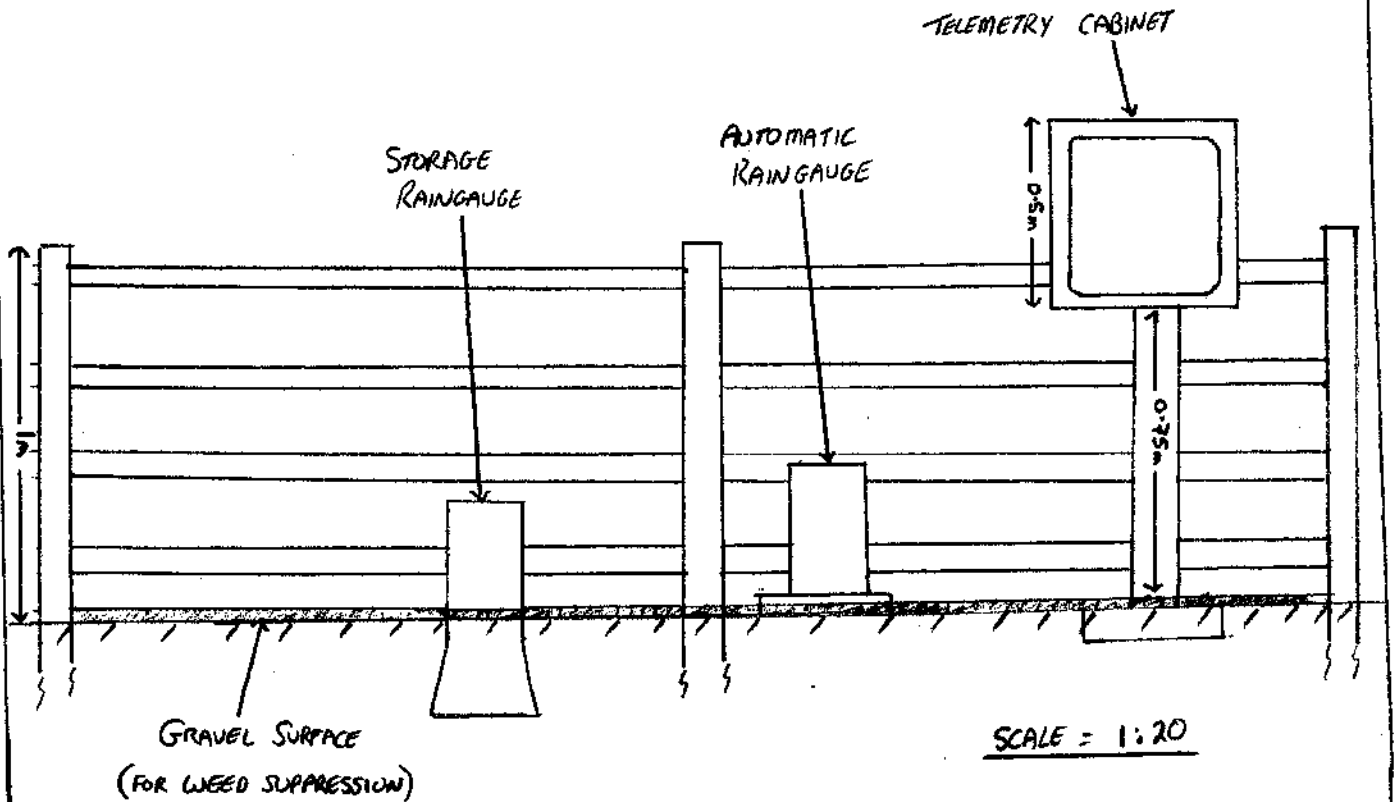
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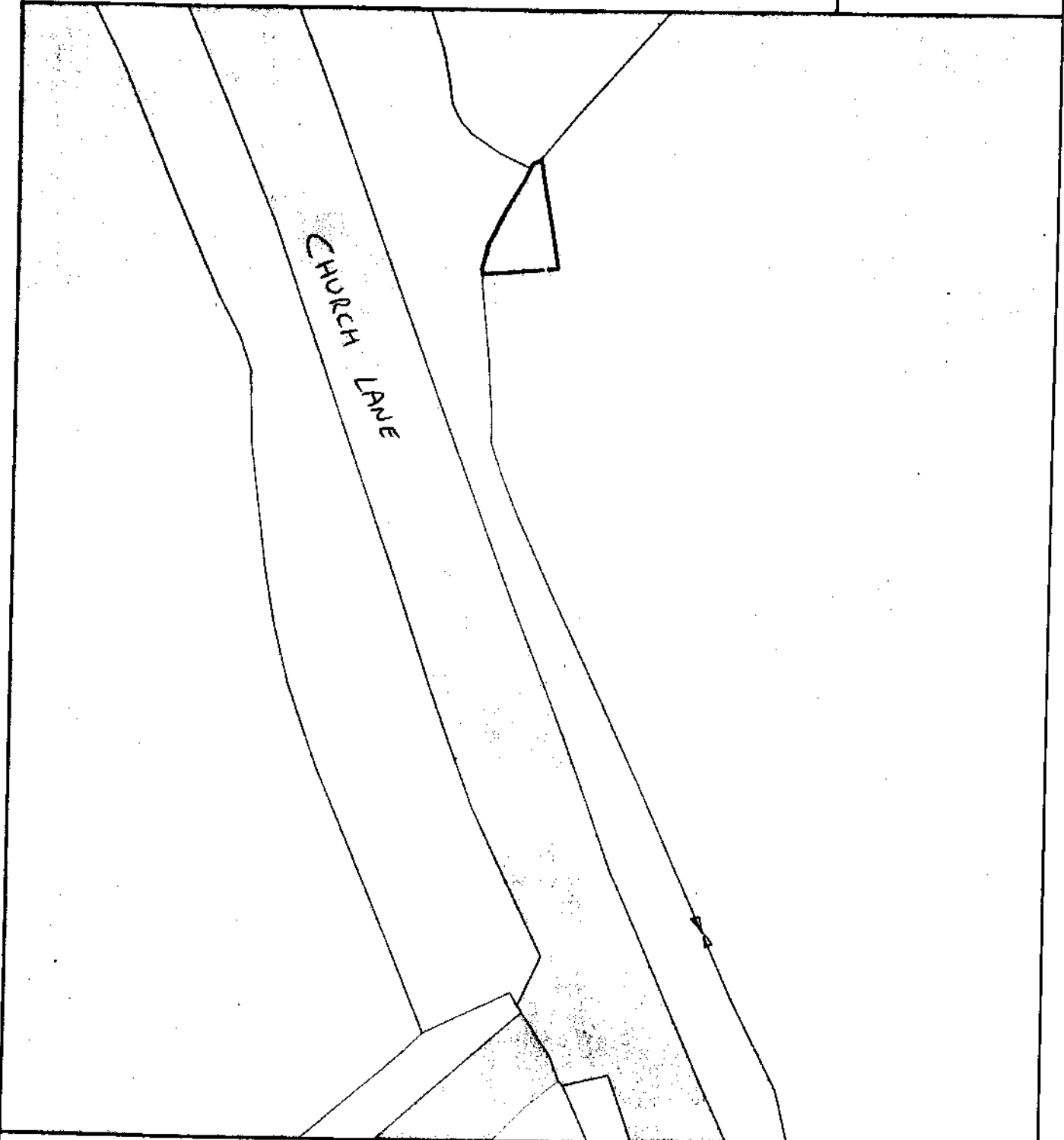
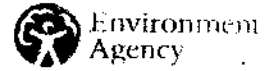
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REF: 04 WEST ELEVATION

Ref: 06 Access Plan



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- - RAINGAUGE SITE
- PEDESTRIAN ACCESS ROUTE
- ⊗ - EXISTING FIELD GATE

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Ref: 01 Location Plan



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PROPOSED
RAIN GAUGE
SITE

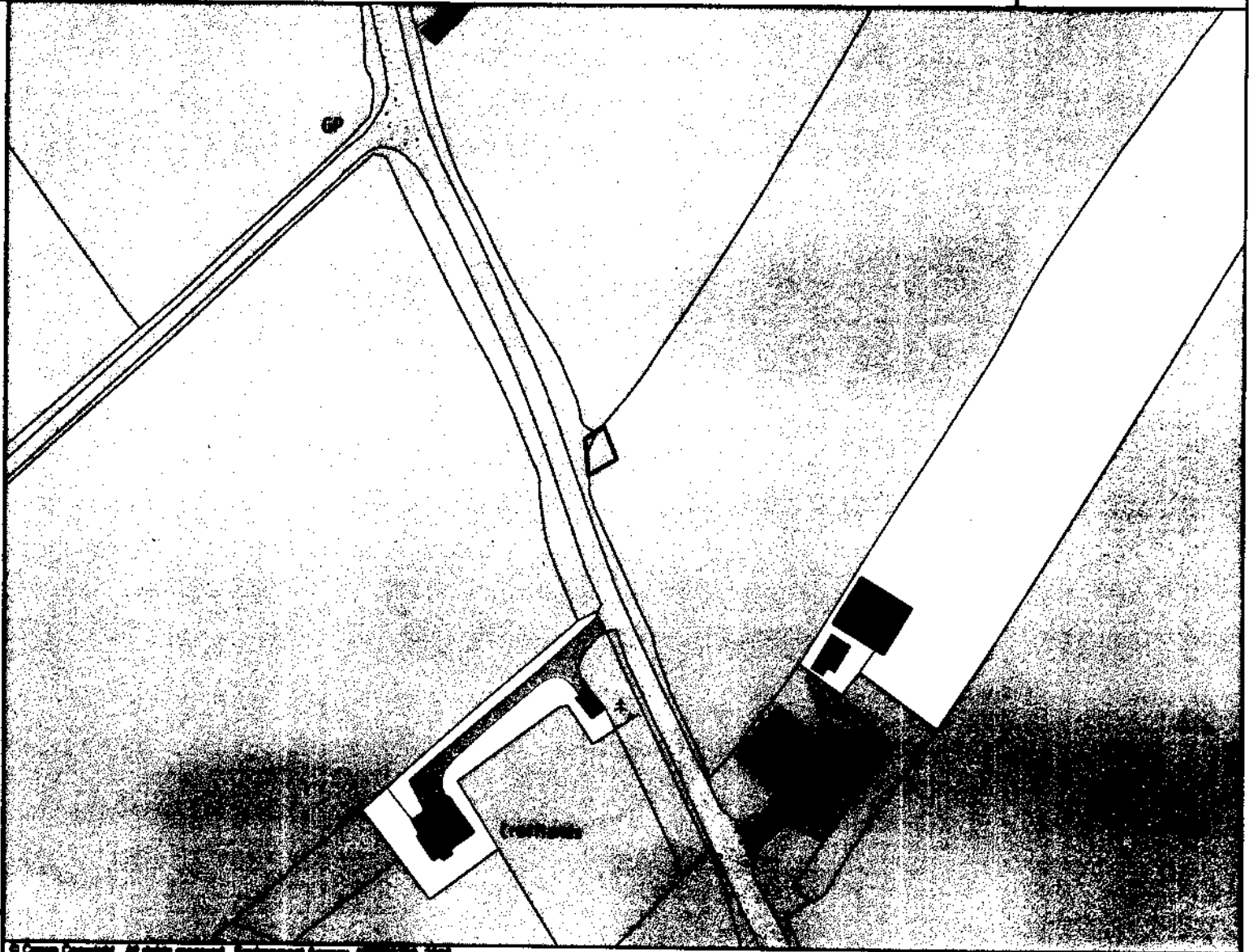
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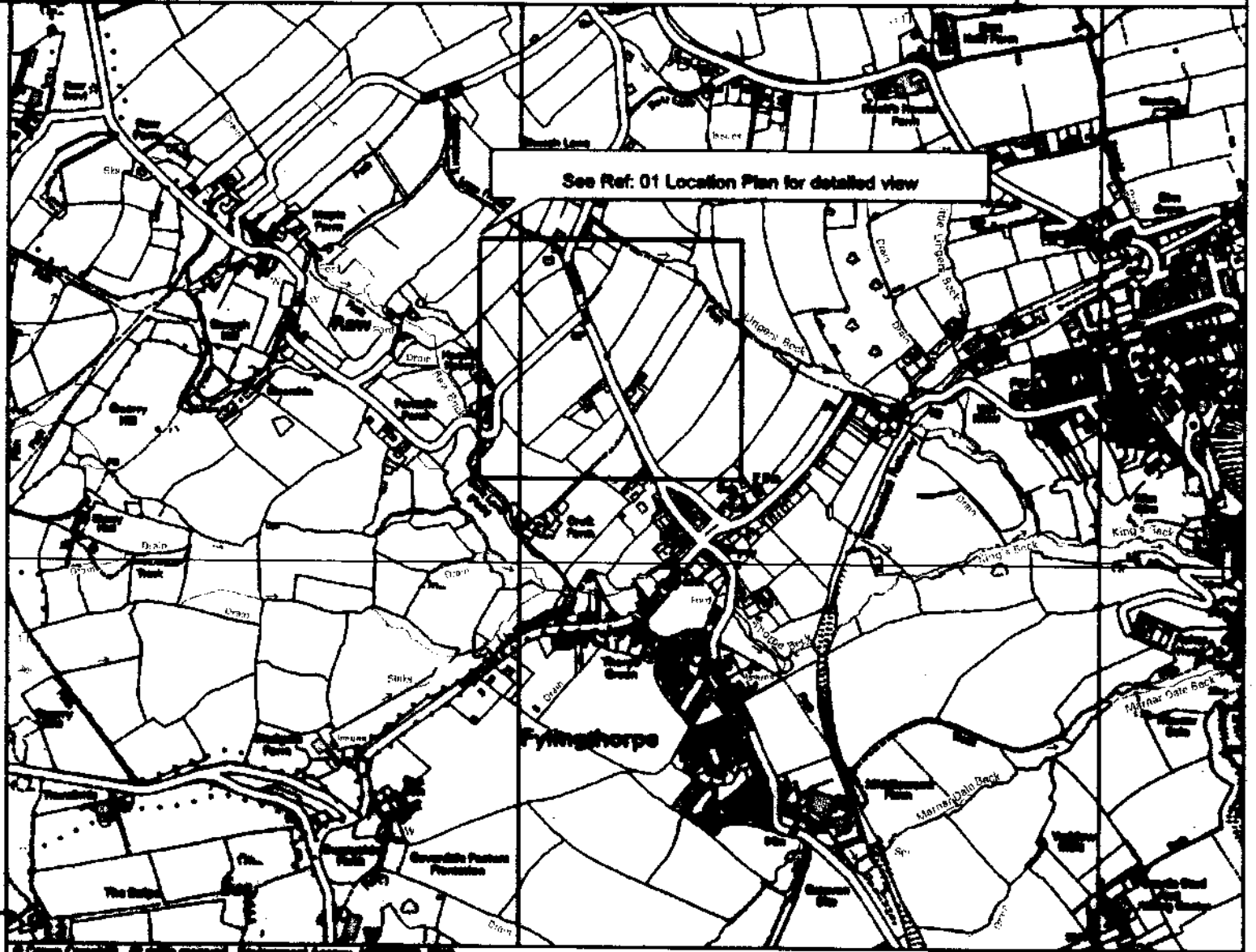


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Ref: 02 Location Plan (Larger Area)



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Publication of planning applications on council websites

Please note that with the exception of applicant contact details and Certificates of Ownership, the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the council's website.

If you have provided any other information as part of your application which falls within the definition of personal data under the Data Protection Act which you do not wish to be published on the council's website, please contact the council's planning department.

Please complete using block capitals and black ink.

It is important that you read the accompanying guidance notes as incorrect completion will delay the processing of your application.

1. Applicant Name and Address

Title: First name:

Last name:

Company (optional):

Unit: House number: House suffix:

House name:

Address 1:

Address 2:

Address 3:

Town:

County:

Country:

Postcode:

2. Agent Name and Address

Title: First name:

Last name:

Company (optional):

Unit: House number: House suffix:

House name:

Address 1:

Address 2:

Address 3:

Town:

County:

Country:

Postcode:

3. Description of Proposed Works

Please describe the proposed works:

WORKS ARE TO INSTALL A RAINFALL MEASURING STATION. THE SITE BOUNDARY WILL BE A POST AND RAIL FENCE AROUND AN AREA APPROXIMATELY 3m x 3m. THE GROUND SURFACE WILL BE GRAVEL. TWO RAIN GAUGES WILL BE INSTALLED, DIAMETER APPROXIMATELY 200mm AND HEIGHT APPROXIMATELY 450mm FROM GROUND LEVEL. LOGGING INSTRUMENTS WILL BE HOUSED IN A GREEN PAINTED STEEL CABINET, APPROXIMATELY 500mm SQUARE, MOUNTED ON A GALVANISED STEEL PLINTH AROUND 1m HIGH ACCESS WILL BE ON FOOT VIA EXISTING FIELD GATEWAY FROM CHURCH LANE.

Has building or works already been carried out or use of land already started? Yes No

If Yes, please state the date when building works or use were started (DD/MM/YYYY): (date must be pre-application submission)

Have the works been completed or change of use already occurred? Yes No

If Yes, please state when the works were completed or use occurred (DD/MM/YYYY): (date must be pre-application submission)

4. Site Address Details

Please provide the full postal address of the application site.

Unit: House number: House suffix:

House name:

Address 1:

Address 2:

Address 3:

Town:

County:

Postcode (optional):

Description of location or a grid reference. (must be completed if postcode is not known):

Easting: Northing:

Description:

SITE IS LAND TO THE REAR OF CROFT GARAGE, CHURCH LAND, FYLINGTHORPE. CURRENT USE OF THE LAND IS AGRICULTURAL (ROUGH PASTURE)

5. Pre-application Advice

Has assistance or prior advice been sought from the local authority about this application? Yes No

If Yes, please complete the following information about the advice you were given. (This will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently).

Please tick if the full contact details are not known, and then complete as much as possible:

Officer name:

Reference:

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):
(must be pre-application submission)

Details of pre-application advice received?

ADVISED PLANNING PERMISSION REQUIRED BUT PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT LIKELY TO RECEIVE FAVOURABLE CONSIDERATION.

6. Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way

Is a new or altered vehicle access proposed to or from the public highway? Yes No Unknown

Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway? Yes No Unknown

Are there any new public roads to be provided within the site? Yes No Unknown

Are there any new public rights of way to be provided within or adjacent to the site? Yes No Unknown

Do the proposals require any diversions /extinguishments and/or creation of rights of way? Yes No Unknown

If you answered Yes to any of the above questions, please show details on your plans/drawings and state the reference of the plan (s)/drawings(s)

7. Waste Storage and Collection

Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste? Yes No Unknown

If Yes, please provide details:

Have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste? Yes No Unknown

If Yes, please provide details:

NO WASTE WILL BE PRODUCED

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8. Neighbour and Community Consultation

Have you consulted your neighbours or the local community about the proposal? Yes No

If Yes please provide details:

CONSULTED THE OWNER OF CROFT GARAGE, WHO ALSO OWNS THE LAND THE RAINGAUGE WILL BE LOCATED ON. HE SEEMED QUITE HAPPY WITH THE PROPOSALS.

9. Council Employee / Member

Is the applicant or agent related to any member of staff or elected member of the Council? Yes No

If Yes, please provide details:

10. Materials

If applicable, please state what materials are to be used externally. Include type, colour and name for each material:

	Existing (where applicable)	Proposed	Not applicable	Don't Know	Drawing references if applicable
Walls		NONE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Roof		NONE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Windows		NONE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Doors		NONE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Boundary treatments (e.g. fences, walls)	HEDGE ON WEST BOUNDARY POST AND WIRE FENCE TO NORTH BOUNDARY	EXISTING HEDGE + FENCE TO BE RETAINED. EAST + SOUTH BOUNDARIES TO BE FENCED WITH POST + RAIL TANALISED TIMBER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Vehicle access and hard-standing	EXISTING ACCESS IS VIA A FIELD GATE ON CHURCH LANE	EXISTING ACCESS TO BE RETAINED. ROUTINE ACCESS TO SITE WILL BE PEDESTRIAN ONLY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Lighting		NONE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Others (please specify)		STEEL CABINET, PAINTED DARK GREEN TWO RAINWATERS, ONE STEEL, ONE COPPER SELF COLOUR GRAVEL GROUND COVER (FORM STONE)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Are you supplying additional information on submitted plan(s)/drawing(s)/design and access statement? Yes No

If Yes, please state references for the plan(s)/drawing(s)/design and access statement:

03 LAYOUT PLAN ; 04 ELEVATION ; 06 ACCESS PLAN ; 07 DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

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11. Vehicle Parking

Please provide information on the existing and proposed number of on-site parking spaces:

Type of Vehicle	Total Existing	Total proposed (including spaces retained)	Difference in spaces
Cars	NO ON SITE PARKING		
Light goods vehicles/ public carrier vehicles			
Motorcycles			
Disability spaces			
Cycle spaces			
Other (e.g. Bus)			
Other (e.g. Bus)			

12. Foul Sewage

Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of:

- Mains sewer
- Cess pit
- Septic tank
- Other
- Package treatment plant
- Unknown

Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system? Yes No

If Yes, please include the details of the existing system on the application drawings and state references for the plan(s)/drawing(s):

NO FOUL SEWAGE

13. Assessment of Flood Risk

Is the site within an area at risk of flooding? (Refer to the Environment Agency's Flood Map showing flood zones 2 and 3 and consult Environment Agency standing advice and your local planning authority requirements for information as necessary.)

- Yes No

If Yes, you will need to submit a Flood Risk Assessment to consider the risk to the proposed site.

Is your proposal within 20 metres of a watercourse (e.g. river, stream or beck)? Yes No

Will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere? Yes No Unknown

How will surface water be disposed of?

- Sustainable drainage system
- Existing watercourse
- Soakaway
- Pond/lake
- Main sewer
- Unknown

14. Biodiversity and Geological Conservation

Is there a reasonable likelihood of the following being affected adversely or conserved and enhanced within the application site, or on land adjacent to or near the application site?

a) Protected and priority species:

- Yes, on the development site
- Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
- No

b) Designated sites, important habitats or other biodiversity features:

- Yes, on the development site
- Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
- No

c) Features of geological conservation importance:

- Yes, on the development site
- Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
- No

15. Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site:

AGRICULTURAL (ROUGH PASTURE)

Is the site currently vacant? Yes No

If Yes, please describe the last use of the site:

AS ABOVE

When did this use end (if known)? DD/MM/YYYY

(date where known may be approximate)

Does the proposal involve any of the following:

Land which is known to be contaminated? Yes No

Land where contamination is suspected for all or part of the site? Yes No

A proposed use that would be particularly vulnerable to the presence of contamination? Yes No

If you have answered Yes to any of the above, you will need to submit an appropriate contamination assessment.

16. Trees and Hedges

Are there trees or hedges on the proposed development site? Yes No

And/or: Are there trees or hedges on land adjacent to the proposed development site that could influence the development or might be important as part of the local landscape character? Yes No

If Yes to either or both of the above, you will need to provide a full Tree Survey, with accompanying plan before your application can be determined. Your Local Planning Authority should make clear on its website what the survey should contain, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to construction - Recommendations'. *COVERED IN DESIGN + ACCESS STATEMENT*

17. Trade Effluent

Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or waste? Yes No

If Yes, please describe the nature, volume and means of disposal of trade effluents or waste

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18. Residential Units (Including Conversion)

Does your proposal include the gain, loss or change of use of residential units? Yes No
 If Yes please complete details of the changes in the tables below:

Proposed Housing

Market Housing	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Flats and maisonettes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Live-work units	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Cluster flats	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Sheltered housing	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Bedsit/studios	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Unknown type	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Totals (a+b+c+d+e+f+g)=							

Existing Housing

Market Housing	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Flats and maisonettes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Live-work units	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Cluster flats	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Sheltered housing	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Bedsit/studios	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Unknown type	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Totals (a+b+c+d+e+f+g)=							

Social Rented

Social Rented	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Flats and maisonettes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Live-work units	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Cluster flats	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Sheltered housing	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Bedsit/studios	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Unknown type	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Totals (a+b+c+d+e+f+g)=							

Social Rented

Social Rented	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Flats and maisonettes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Live-work units	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Cluster flats	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Sheltered housing	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Bedsit/studios	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Unknown type	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Totals (a+b+c+d+e+f+g)=							

Intermediate

Intermediate	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Flats and maisonettes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Live-work units	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Cluster flats	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Sheltered housing	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Bedsit/studios	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Unknown type	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Totals (a+b+c+d+e+f+g)=							

Intermediate

Intermediate	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Flats and maisonettes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Live-work units	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Cluster flats	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Sheltered housing	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Bedsit/studios	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Unknown type	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Totals (a+b+c+d+e+f+g)=							

Key worker

Key worker	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Flats and maisonettes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Live-work units	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Cluster flats	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Sheltered housing	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Bedsit/studios	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Unknown type	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Totals (a+b+c+d+e+f+g)=							

Key worker

Key worker	Not known	Number of Bedrooms					Total
		1	2	3	4+	Unknown	
Houses	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Flats and maisonettes	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Live-work units	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Cluster flats	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Sheltered housing	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Bedsit/studios	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Unknown type	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Totals (a+b+c+d+e+f+g)=							

Total existing residential units (A+B+C+D)=

Total proposed residential units (E+F+G+H)=

Total net gain / loss of residential units

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19. All Types of Development: Non-residential Floorspace

Does your proposal involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-residential floorspace? Yes No

If you have answered Yes to the question above please add details in the following table:

Use class/type of use	Not applicable	Existing gross internal floorspace (square metres)	Gross internal floorspace to be lost by change of use or demolition (square metres)	Total gross internal floorspace proposed (including change of use)(square metres)	Net additional gross internal floorspace following development (square metres)
A1	Shops	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	Net tradable area:	<input type="checkbox"/>			
A2	Financial and professional services	<input type="checkbox"/>			
A3	Restaurants and cafes	<input type="checkbox"/>			
A4	Drinking establishments	<input type="checkbox"/>			
A5	Hot food takeaways	<input type="checkbox"/>			
B1 (a)	Office (other than A2)	<input type="checkbox"/>			
B1 (b)	Research and development	<input type="checkbox"/>			
B1 (c)	Light Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>			
B2	General industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>			
B8	Storage or distribution	<input type="checkbox"/>			
C1	Hotels and halls of residence	<input type="checkbox"/>			
C2	Residential institutions	<input type="checkbox"/>			
D1	Non-residential institutions	<input type="checkbox"/>			
D2	Assembly and leisure	<input type="checkbox"/>			
OTHER	Please specify	<input type="checkbox"/>			
		<input type="checkbox"/>			
Total					

In addition, for hotels, residential institutions and hostels, please additionally indicate the loss or gain of rooms

Use class	Type of use	Not applicable	Existing rooms to be lost by change of use or demolition	Total rooms proposed (including changes of use)	Net additional rooms
C1	Hotels	<input type="checkbox"/>			
C2	Residential Institutions	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Other	Hostels	<input type="checkbox"/>			

20. Employment

Please complete the following information regarding employees:

	Full-time	Part-time	Total full-time equivalent	Not known
Existing employees				
Proposed employees				

21. Hours of Opening

Please state the hours of opening for each non-residential use proposed:

Use	Monday to Friday	Saturday	Sunday and Public Holidays	Not known

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22. Site Area

Please state the site area in hectares (ha)

23. Industrial or Commercial Processes and Machinery

Please describe the activities and processes which would be carried out on the site and the end products including plant, ventilation or air conditioning. Please include the type of machinery which may be installed on site:

RAIN FALL MEASUREMENT - INSTALLED EQUIPMENT WILL BE ONE STORAGE CANON, ONE AUTOMATIC CANON AND A TELEMETRY OUTSTATION

Is the proposal a waste management development? Yes No

If the answer is Yes, Please complete the following table:

	Not applicable	The total capacity of the void in cubic metres, including engineering surcharge and making no allowance for cover or restoration material (or tonnes if solid waste or litres if liquid waste)	Please provide the maximum annual operational throughput of the following waste streams:
Inert landfill	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Non-hazardous landfill	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Hazardous landfill	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Energy from waste incineration	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Other incineration	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Landfill gas generation plant	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Pyrolysis/gasification	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Metal recycling site	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Transfer stations	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Material recovery/recycling facilities (MRFs)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Household civic amenity sites	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Open windrow composting	<input type="checkbox"/>		
In-vessel composting	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Anaerobic digestion	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Any combined mechanical, biological and/or thermal treatment (MBT)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Sewage treatment works	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Other treatment	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Recycling facilities construction, demolition and excavation waste	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Storage of waste	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Other waste management	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Other developments	<input type="checkbox"/>		

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Please provide the maximum annual operational throughput of the following waste streams:

Municipal	
Construction, demolition and excavation	
Commercial and industrial	
Hazardous	

If this is a landfill application you will need to provide further information before your application can be determined. Your waste planning authority should make clear what information it requires on its website.

24. Hazardous Substances

Does the proposal involve the use or storage of any of the following materials in the quantities stated below? Yes No Not applicable

If Yes, please provide the amount of each substance that is involved:

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| Acrylonitrile (tonnes) <input type="text"/> | Ethylene oxide (tonnes) <input type="text"/> | Phosgene (tonnes) <input type="text"/> |
| Ammonia (tonnes) <input type="text"/> | Hydrogen cyanide (tonnes) <input type="text"/> | Sulphur dioxide (tonnes) <input type="text"/> |
| Bromine (tonnes) <input type="text"/> | Liquid oxygen (tonnes) <input type="text"/> | Flour (tonnes) <input type="text"/> |
| Chlorine (tonnes) <input type="text"/> | Liquid petroleum gas (tonnes) <input type="text"/> | Refined white sugar (tonnes) <input type="text"/> |

Other:

Other:

Amount (kilograms):

Amount (kilograms):

26. Planning Application Requirements - Checklist

Please read the following checklist to make sure you have sent all the information in support of your proposal. Failure to submit all information required will result in your application being deemed invalid. It will not be considered valid until all information required by the Local Planning Authority has been submitted.

- | | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| 3 copies of a completed and dated application form: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The correct fee: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 copies of the plan which identifies the land to which the application relates drawn to an identified scale and showing the direction of North: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3 copies of a design and access statement: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 copies of other plans and drawings or information necessary to describe the subject of the application: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3 copies of the completed, dated Article 7 Certificate (Agricultural Holdings): | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| | | 3 copies of the completed, dated Ownership Certificate (A, B, C, or D - as applicable): | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

27. Declaration

I/we hereby apply for planning permission/consent as described in this form and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

Signed - Applicant:

Or signed - Agent:

Date (DD/MM/YYYY):

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Signature]

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(date cannot be pre-application)

28. Applicant Contact Details

Telephone numbers

Country code: National number: Extension number:

Country code: Mobile number (optional):

Country code: Fax number (optional):

Email address (optional):

29. Agent Contact Details

Telephone numbers

Country code: National number: Extension number:

Country code: Mobile number (optional):

Country code: Fax number (optional):

Email address (optional):

30. Site Visit

Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land? Yes No

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact? *(Please select only one)* Agent Applicant Other (if different from the agent/applicant's details)

If Other has been selected, please provide:

Contact name: Telephone number:

Email address:

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Application for Planning Permission

Rainfall Measurement Station, Church Lane, Fylingthorpe

Ref: 07 Design and Access Statement

The Environment Agency requires a site to measure rainfall in the vicinity of Robin Hoods Bay, North Yorkshire. This is needed to allow us to regulate the water quality at the bathing beaches in this area. We do this by taking regular water samples from the beach and analysing their quality. Where a sample fails to meet the required standard, we need to check if there was any heavy rain in the area prior to the sample being taken. Heavy rain can lead to a reduction in water quality, resulting from drainage from the land surface, operation of combined sewer overflows and flooding in stream catchments draining to the bathing beach. If the rain is sufficiently heavy, the government may deem this as abnormal weather and agree to waive the failed sample result, requesting a replacement sample to be taken. This is why it is so important we are able to make an accurate assessment of the rainfall impacting on each bathing beach.

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The selection of site location is critical and there are a number of factors which influence this. Firstly, the site must be close to the bathing beach and its associated drainage catchment, to give a fair representation of the rainfall affecting the beach. The site must also be secure, or reasonably hidden from passers by, to reduce the risk of theft or vandalism of the equipment. It must be close to a telephone line to allow remote access to telemetry. Finally, it must be able to meet the criteria set out in the Meteorological Office guidelines to ensure the data are of good quality. These guidelines cover factors such as the exposure of the gauge to prevailing weather systems and sheltering of the gauge by trees and buildings. The site at Fylingthorpe is able to meet these criteria and provides a good location for the gauge.

The design of the site is also aimed at meeting the Met Office guidelines, as well as making the site accessible, safe and easy to maintain for our staff. We need to put a low fence around the site to protect it from livestock which may use the adjoining field. This will be the existing hedge and wire fence along two sides of the site. The remainder of the site will be provided with a post and rail fence in tanalised timber, which is in keeping with this rural setting. We will cover the ground surface with landscaping fabric and gravel, to prevent grass and weeds from growing up around the gauges and affecting the measurements. The gravel can be sourced from a local supplier and we will ask the advice of the planning authority as to the colour and type of stone to use. The raingauges are of a standard design and height above the ground surface as specified by the Met Office. The telemetry equipment must be protected from the elements and secured against theft or vandalism. We have developed a standard design of cabinet and mounting plinth from our experience of similar installations at other sites. We usually use a dark green

paint for the cabinet, which blends in to most backgrounds but we can use any colour specified by the planning authority if preferred. Drawings '03 Layout Plan' and '04 Elevation' provide the details. The existing site is shown in '05 Photographs of Site'

There is an existing hedge along one side of the site boundary. This is mainly hawthorn, there is an elder growing through it in the corner of the site. The hedge is currently cut and maintained by the neighbouring agricultural tenant. This hedge will be retained and incorporated into our site boundary and our work will not impact on the hedge or its root system. We will continue to routinely cut and maintain the hedge as part of our annual site maintenance programme. The elder is a very fast growing species and we will need to cut this back regularly to keep it to the height of the rest of the hedge and prevent it overshadowing the raingauges. Our maintenance teams are trained and experienced in tree management.

Access to the site will be required routinely once per month, to enable our staff to check the gauge is operating correctly, to empty the storage gauge and to download data from the logger. Occasional other visits may be required for maintenance and to repair faults. There is an existing gate into the field from Church Lane (shown on drawing ref: 06 Access Plan) which we will use as our entry point for pedestrian access. The access route will then follow the field edge and enter the site via a gate in the boundary fence. There will be no vehicle access into the field, the field technician will park in a safe location on Church Lane when accessing the site.

Some photographs of similar rainfall measurement stations in other locations are included for information in '08 Similar Site Photographs'.

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