## PLANNING STATEMENT PROPOSED AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT AND PLANT STORAGE SHED AT FEILD 2619 ROTTINGTON ROAD SANDWITH

## **Planning Statement**

The applicant owns the field and is an agricultural and general plant /groundworks contractor. He works all over South and West Cumbria but has no base for his plant storage near Sandwith where he resides.

Currently his plant is stored at various farm locations in the area where rent is paid to the Landlords. It is not an ideal situation for him and is not an efficient method of running his business.

The proposal therefore, is submitted on the basis that he wishes to bring all his plant in to one building, which will be in the village, (it is accepted it is on the south side of the village and not in the centre of the village), which would allow him to move all his plant off the farmsteads in to one central location, close to the village where he lives.

In any case, the centre of the village is mainly residential and this proposal would not sit well in the villagescape and is much more suited to be in the location as proposed.

The site has some existing trees and is not an open field, and soft landscaping would play an important part in minimising the impact of the proposed building on the landscape and would be far less intrusive than many other examples of sheds already erected under "notice of intent" regulations.

In conclusion, we consider that the application can be justified for the reasons as stated above and if approved, would allow the applicant to much improve his present storage arrangements for his plant.

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