DESIGN & ACCESS STATEMENT:

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1.0 Proposal

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2.0 General Description and Background of the Site:

The cattle buildings at College Farm are located outside the village of Wendlebury, approximately 300m to the south east. These buildings accommodate a herd of suckler cattle and associated storage. The cattle are grazed in the adjacent fields during the summer, and housed over winter.

3.0 Use and Layout

The existing hardstanding area to the south of the cattle yards is too restrictive for vehicle turning and feed storage. Furthermore a modest expansion of the beef enterprise is proposed and the provision of this new hardstanding will help facilitate this.

4.0 Design

The surface of the hardstanding will be concrete.

The levels of the concrete will match the existing hardstanding around and beneath the existing cattle buildings.

The area is within zone 1 of the Environment Agency's flood risk assessment categorisation, and does not flood.

5.0 Landscaping and Appearance

There is no above ground superstructure, so there would be no potential impact on the area's appearance, so no additional landscaping is proposed with the scheme.

6.0 Access

The hardstanding will be accessed from the existing hardstanding immediately adjacent to the proposal, with the same finished levels.

The farm has an established access to the public highway as indicated on the drawing.