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About the application

Application number: 2020/94405	
What is the application for?:	Erection of detached building for use as an indoor archery range
Address of the site or building:	Archery Field, Slate Pitts Wood, Knowle Lane, Meltham, Holmfirth, HD9 4HL
Postcode:	HD9 3BL

User comments

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The Valley Bowmen of Huddersfield (VBOH) is a valuable skills-based organisation teaching and developing the ancient art of Archery to young people, people with disabilities and adults alike. It offers opportunities for a number of other groups such as Duke of Edinburgh Award, Princes Trust, schools & colleges and a group from the University in Huddersfield to hone a skill as part of a bigger development package, these groups also utilise the facilities. The proposed development will enhance the current 'open-field' facilities and offer 'equal access (flat)' to an indoor shooting range which can be used all year round thus creating further opportunities for all residents of the area. The VBOH added equal access facilities in the way of a new clubhouse and toilet facilities a few years ago. Current indoor facilities around the Kirklees area do not currently offer the same access for all groups. Support has been made available from a number of other sources including a sizable amount awarded towards the development from Sport England. Such facilities prevent 'skill decay' particularly for younger members over the winter months when 6 months out of sport makes a huge difference to the development of young archers. The club has had success in the past to County, Regional and National levels. The archery field is in such a geographic position it does not impact on neighbours and isn't land which would offer open access to others, the proposed building will aesthetically resemble many other neighbouring barns and stables. I support the application.	