

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING
PERMISSION

FOR

EXTENSION TO PREMISES
AT
NEW HEY ROAD
MARSH
HUDDERSFIELD

ON BEHALF OF
WOOLTEX UK LTD

DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT
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1.0 – THE SITE, APPLICANTS AND PLANNING HISTORY

1.1 – The site is located in a mixed used area close to Marsh Centre on a major route into Huddersfield Town Centre.

1.2 – Wooltex UK Ltd are a textile company providing quality textiles for the office furniture sector. The company moved to Woodlands Mill at Dale Street Milnsbridge approx 15 years ago bringing their operations under one roof. Since this time a further extension has been built in 2015.

The new premises at the former Kepak Huddersfield Ltd on New Hey Road where purchased in 2021 to allow an expansion of the spinning part of the business.

The existing building has under gone a major refurbishment to allow the textiles machines to be installed and the building has been fully operational for the last 12 months.

1.3 - The site now needs to expand for the future development of the company and the textile industry that Wooltex are at the forefront of.

2.0 – PROPOSALS AND OTHER RELEVANT POINTS

2.1 – The proposals are to extend the premises by constructing extensions to the existing building on adjacent land available forming part of the whole development. All extensions will link to the existing to allow for expansion now and into the future

2.2 – Wooltex UK Ltd, due to workload, are in need of additional Warehouse Space and Production space. The new extensions will allow for the re-organization of the existing space to proved a better use of space and working systems.

2.3 – The new extensions will not be any higher than the existing buildings on the site.

2.4 – The extensions will be constructed in a modern profile metal cladding materials with brickwork to lower levels to suit the link with the existing buildings.

3.0 – ACCESS

3.1 – Access to the site is via the existing access from New Hey Road. The existing access will also be used for deliveries and distribution.

3.2 – Although the extensions are on land adjacent there will not be a loss of parking spaces.

There are 29 existing spaces on the site with a further 10 spaces to be provide as part of a reorganization of the existing forecourt.

3.3 – Some staff use public transport with a major bus route available.

4.0 – EXISTING BUILDINGS

4.1 – The existing use of the buildings has been fully stripped out and refurbished.

4.2 – Most of the existing external areas are hardstanding and the boundaries have mature trees and conifers that will remain.

5.0 – STAFF

5.1 – The new facility has 60 staff working 7days and 4 nights on regular shift patterns.

5.2 – Wooltex UK Ltd hope to provide a further 10 jobs with phase .1. of the expansion and 20 jobs in the future once phase 2 is complete.

5.3 – The site is in a location that ensures easy access to the main routes in and out of Huddersfield.

5.4 – Wooltex UK Ltd own the land in which the extensions are proposed and wish to utilise it.

5.5 - In summary due to premises being owned by the applicant and the available land , the proposals are seen as the most efficient way of expanding the business.

5.6- The extensions will be used exclusively for warehousing and production areas.

6.0 – ENVIRONMENTAL

6.1 – There are no other environmental or biodiversity issues. There are trees on the site and the site has no history of flooding. In any case the proposed floor level will not be below the existing height.

7.0– CONCLUSION

7.1 – The proposals provide a much needed facility for a successful and expanding local business supplying worldwide. This facility will allow Wooltex UK Ltd to compete and continue to be a success within the textile industry.

7.2 – The proposals will provide employment, and the use is in accordance with the mixed use area.

7.3 - We therefore respectfully trust that Kirklees MC can support these proposals.