

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

APPEAL REFERENCE : APP/L1765/C/22/3300722

RE: LAND AT SHEDFIELD EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, BOTLEY ROAD, SHEDFIELD, HAMPSHIRE,
SO32 2HN

SECTION 174 APPEAL BY: CHRISTOPHER IAN COLLINS

STATEMENT OF CHRISTOPHER IAN COLLINS

I, **CHRISTOPHER IAN COLLINS** of Ivy Cottage, Wickham Road, Curdridge, Southampton, SO32 2HG state as follows:-

1. The facts to which I refer in this statement are within my own knowledge except where I indicate otherwise. Where facts are within my own knowledge, I know they are true. Where I am informed of facts by others, I believe them to be true.
2. I am the registered owner of the land which is the subject of this appeal under freehold title number HP766012 which I purchased in 1985. I own this title and the freehold titles of adjoining land. I have operated several commercial activities on the land within this title and neighbouring land.
3. This statement is in support of my above appeal concerning the use of land at Shedfield Equestrian Centre shown edged red on the Enforcement Notice plan (**Site**).

Ground (d) - immunity

4. I have been storing wood and/or machinery on the Site since before 2012. For several years I have had several business activities including the collection of wood, cutting and splitting the wood with machinery to make sizeable logs for wood burning stoves, selling the wood direct to the public or via the Equestrian Shop at the front of my property adjoining Botley Road. I refer to the Winchester City Council's Enforcement Report dated 20 January 2022 at Section 3.212 which states that the wood storage hut is shown edged red on the two photographs on at that section. The red line on each photograph is not in the correct place. The storing of wood is

more to the right hand side of each photograph where the storage area is not shown by reason of the trees. Originally the surface was compacted to carry out the activities.

Ground (f) – Steps required exceeding what is necessary to remedy any breach

5. The land has been used for storage for many years. There are commercial activities in the locality. It is not necessary to return the land to grass and I submit that the work to be undertaken should not include the removal of the hardstanding and the laying of topsoil with grass.

Ground (g) – Time for compliance – what should reasonably be allowed

6. I shall require more time to remove and relocate the considerable amount of wood stored on the Site and thereafter to carry out the works listed at Section 5 in the Enforcement Notice which includes the demolition of a building. I submit that the compliance period should be 12 months.



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Christopher Ian Collins

Dated: 8 August 2022