

## **PLANNING APPLICATION**

**Land at former , Buxton Sewage Works , ASHWOOD DALE , BUXTON , DERBYSHIRE , SK17 9TA**

**REF: HPK/2026/0243**

Economic Development Statement – High Peak Borough Council Regeneration Service.

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### **Retrospective Planning Application for the Continued Use of Land for Low-Intensity Storage Purposes, Including the Retention of Storage Containers, Retention of a Temporary Storage Structure Formed Over Existing Containers, and Associated Operational Development.**

To assess the economic impact of this retrospective planning application, we have relied upon the data supplied by the applicant and used the Council's approved multipliers to prepare these comments.

The application states that there are no existing employees on the site and that the proposed development will not increase the number of employees.

The application states that the existing internal floorspace of 185.80 Sq. metres is used for storage. The proposal states that it will involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-residential floorspace. There is no increase or decrease shown in Sq. metres.

The planning statement states that *"the site does not operate as a conventional commercial yard and is not served by mains electricity, mains water supply, foul drainage, sewage connections, office accommodation, welfare facilities or formal lighting infrastructure"* and that *"The site is also used for the storage of equipment and a van associated with the applicant's son's quarry site services business, which operates from customers' premises rather than from the application site. No servicing, repair, fabrication, administration or day-to-day business activities are undertaken from the site."*

There is insufficient information in the application to determine the economic impact of the potential loss of this storage site on related businesses at other addresses.

It is recognised by the Council that economic investment in the Borough can have positive wider impacts on the local economy, including through stimulation of the supply chain but more information would be required in order to assess this, which should be considered in line with planning policy.

Regeneration Officer

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