

A photograph of three people wearing high-visibility safety vests and yellow hard hats, standing on a construction site. The background shows a building under construction with a roof of wooden beams. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANCY SERVICE

Our experienced planning team are experts in identifying potential development opportunities including the re-purposing of redundant farm buildings, the development of land on the edge of settlements and the change of use of assets to allow for diversification on the farm.

On-farm planning and development does not necessarily mean moving away from agriculture but can also involve the expansion of existing farm businesses such as the erection/replacement of agricultural buildings, new agricultural accesses, rural workers' dwellings and investment into modern infrastructure such as livestock equipment, arable machinery and slurry infrastructure.

SUMMARY OF SERVICE

If you are successfully referred to the Planning and Development service following the initial on-farm business review, this is offered as two half day consultancy sessions.

These sessions will provide an overview of potential development opportunities on the farm, an overview of the best route to achieve consent, and an evaluation of the anticipated costs and timescales for doing so.

FIRST HALF DAY

- Completion of due diligence checks prior to a site visit to understand the background of the farm and any barriers to development.
- Review of aerial and Ordnance mapping to understand the location and siting of the holding.
- Initial site meeting to review the key development objectives of the farm and opportunities for development.

SECOND HALF DAY

- Preparation of a report following the site visit to outline potential options available to the farm including different planning routes to achieve consent, a brief summary of expected costs and timescales.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The following services are not covered by the FBAS scheme, but can be provided on a time charge basis:

- Requesting quotations from consultees to provide supporting documentation to include within a potential submission e.g. architects.
- Preparation of the planning application and associated costs.

Any additional work will be agreed with you prior to any work being undertaken.