

## **Appendix A**

Mr Holmes advised that he had bought the land four years ago and the comments made regarding the gates to the site were untrue. He explained that he had 350 ewes on the land and they lambed intensively between March and May. Following that the land would be used for haylage before housing turkeys later in the year.

Mr Holmes explained that they always lambed in April and could not do this properly without the poly-tunnel. He stated that the company was VAT registered and he was trying to build the business up and had other farmers who were happy to vouch for him. The field was fenced properly and would be the home base for lambing. Highways were happy regarding the access. He advised that he rented 185 acres with the wood beyond and owned 25 acres.

## **Appendix B**

Councillor Neil Owen expressed his support for the application and felt that the case for refusal was weak.

Whilst Stonesfield slate was the original material, he felt there was little difference between that and the Cardinal slate. In addition, Stonesfield slate was notoriously difficult to source.

From the residents' point of view, they were happy because the Stonesfield slate would be recycled for use by the church in Spelsbury. He stated that the barn could not be observed from any vantage point and the cardinal slates would weather in time to blend in with the other materials.

Councillor Owen insisted that the building was crumbling and would collapse if the roof was not repaired sufficiently.