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# DESIGN & ACCESS STATEMENT

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# PLANNING APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF USE FROM 'GENERAL WAREHOUSE' TO A 'WASTE SORTING WAREHOUSE'.

## DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT:

### 1. Existing Site: Drawing No's ME44SW/01

The existing site is located within Chatham Docks, which is surrounded by many commercial businesses. The site consists of an existing warehouse, lorry park, offices and welfare buildings and general hard standing vehicular movement and parking areas. Our client intends to use this site for its own business purpose as waste sorting and transfer station, which this application reflects.

### 2. The Proposal: Drawing No's ME44SW/02

The proposal is to consist of a change of use from its current state as a general warehouse, to a waste sorting warehouse for receiving and transferring waste under environmental permit standard rules, which is currently being applied for under a separate application to the Environment Agency. Please note that no external alterations are proposed, with this application only reflecting its change of use.

### 3. Use

The existing use of the site consists of a warehouse and office facilities. The warehouse building is proposed to a change of use to provide a waste sorting station for its business owners, at the area for change of use being 19m x 22.5m.

### 4. Accessibility

The proposal will not affect any of the accesses.

### 5. Parking

Parking is to remain as existing with allowances for workers (vans / cars) and carriers (HGV's etc) to effectively enter and exit the site in a safe manor.

### 6. Amenity of Neighbours

There will be no adverse effect on the amenity of the neighbours due to no works and no change of the external appearance of the building along with the good proximity of neighbouring commercial buildings.

### 7. Summary

Overall the proposal is completely reasonable for this site due to the existing spaces and layouts of its existing use. The existing warehouse is completely reasonable in size and has good accesses for effective and safe working standards. Therefore with all the above being considered, consent for the change of use should be a formality. We very much hope the Council understands the reasons for the application and hope for their support.