



Kirkby Stephen Spar and Filling Station

CLIENT: James Hall and Company Ltd.
LOCATION: Kirkby Stephen, Cumbria

DURATION: April 2016 - Nov 2018



Prospus Group were engaged by client, James Hall and Co. to apply for planning permission to build a new Spar store, with consent for long opening hours, on the site of an existing petrol station. The proposal was met with support from the local community who felt the addition of the Spar would be of great benefit to the local area.

Details

The site itself was a sensitive one owing to the fact it contained a working petrol filling station and also a vehicle repairs and sales garage. Adding a further element of complexity is the fact that the site itself is directly adjacent to the SSSI River Eden, and not only was this area a flood risk, but it was also experiencing drainage issues following Storm Desmond – this all led to an increased risk of contamination of the site which was a challenge we had to overcome during this planning phase.

Prior to instructing Prospus to carry out the works, James Hall and Co. had consulted with another planning advisor who felt that securing consent on such a site would pose too much of a challenge. However, Tom Woof of Prospus Group was confident that he could secure the permission needed to enable the development to go ahead.

As such, Prospus Group were appointed and provided planning advice, ecology assessment, landscape impact reports, and coordinated and submitted the final planning application.

Prospus also worked in collaboration with third parties in order to gather other vital reports such as contamination, flood risk, drainage and engineering – this strong working relationship ensure the smooth progression of the project which was delivered on time, and to budget.