

Hi Kayleigh,

I hope you're well.

We have some reservations regarding the reliability of the findings in the noise impact assessment conducted by EEUK Ltd.

That said, we have no objections to the principle of the development. However, due to the lack of detailed information in the application—specifically concerning aspects such as the hours of operation, the character of sound generated, screening attenuation, and radiation characteristics—we strongly recommend that the following condition be imposed on any consent granted:

Condition 1: Noise emitted from the dust extraction system shall be controlled to at least 5 dB(A) below the lowest representative existing background sound level, when assessed in accordance with BS 4142:2014+A1:2019, at the curtilage of any residential or other noise-sensitive property. This criterion applies to the total contribution of noise from all elements of the system during any given period.

A suitably robust background sound level should be used in assessment when the plant may operate. The assessment must include valid predictions and valid assessment of any acoustic features.

Reason: To protect the amenity and quality of life of residents in the local area from undue noise disturbance.

Given that this condition will remain in place indefinitely, it will ensure that the applicant is obligated to maintain the system and prevent any material increase in noise output over time.

Best regards,

Laurence

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