

APP/22/01062

Dear Planning Team,

Thank you for consulting the pollution Team on the above application for an outdoor play area.

I have considered the above application and note that there is a reasonable distance between the proposed outdoor play area and the nearest residential property. Noise from children is known to be difficult to mitigate, especially external play area. I am aware the proposal intends to enclose the area, however it is not clear the acoustic performance of the intended enclosures. Ideally, I would request detailed noise impact assessment of the proposed outdoor play area. However, considering that the scheme forms part of an established existing use, I do not consider this necessary. However to ensure that the level of noise from children using the play area is adequately mitigated, and to preserve the amenity of the neighbouring residential gardens, we strongly advise the following condition be imposed.

Acoustic Fence

Before the permitted development comes into use, a fence or barrier having a superficial weight not less than 10kg/m² with a height of not less than 1.8 meters shall be erected and thereafter permanently maintained around the perimeter of the site facing any residential property.

Reason: In order to reduce the noise level within residential premises from noise arising from the outdoor play area.

Informative regarding Hours of Work:

You are hereby advised to ensure that no works or ancillary operations associated with any demolition, excavation, clearance and construction works at the development, which are audible at the site boundary, shall take place on any Sunday or Bank / Public Holiday, nor on any other day except between the following times: Monday to Friday: 8.00 – 18.00 and Saturday: 8.00 – 13.00. This is in order to protect the occupants of nearby residential properties from noise and vibration nuisance

Informative regarding Bonfires: You are hereby requested to ensure that no bonfires take place on this site, during any phase of the operation i.e. demolition, excavation, clearance and construction works. If you feel you have a legitimate reason for a bonfire, it is recommended you enquire with the Environmental Health Pollution team, at Havant Borough Council, prior to taking this action. This is in order to protect the occupants of nearby residential properties from smoke pollution.

Informative regarding Dust Control:

You are hereby requested to ensure that the Environmental Health Pollution team, at Havant Borough Council are advised in writing as to what measures are to be put in place for the control of any dust that might emanate from the development site. This is in order to protect the occupants of nearby residential properties from dust pollution. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss any of the above matters raised or would like further explanation. Jonathan Driver of this office will in all likelihood provide separate comment on other issues.

I hope this helps

Regards

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NB: My working hours is 18 hours and varies over the working week.