

Subject: RE: APP/24/00100 - Air Source Heat Pump at 45 Skylark Avenue

Hi Josephine

I have been forwarded this application to respond to.

It appears that the ASHP falls under the 42 dBA permitted noise limit for ASHPs. However, paragraph 3.1 of the document 'MCS Planning Standards for Permitted Development Installations of Wind Turbines and Air Source Heat Pumps on Domestic Premises' <https://mcscertified.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/MCS-020.pdf> states that the plant must be certified in accordance with MCS 007, and installed by an MSC contractor in accordance with MIS 3005. The Contractor should carry out and provide the MCS calculation. Without this fulfilling this criteria, I should imagine the plant could not be considered to be permitted development.

If it does not fall under permitted development and we deal with as a "normal" application, then we recommend that permission be granted. The plans submitted show that the neighbouring garage would ensure there would be no direct line of sight between the ASHP and nearest noise sensitive receptor meaning that any noise impacts would be sufficiently mitigated.

Regards

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