

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

Town & Country Planning Act 1990

Consultation on Planning Application

MEMORANDUM

From: Environmental Health **To:** Development Control

Your Ref: APP/15/00791

EH Case Officer Extn: 44 6671

Date: 10 September 2015

DC Case Officer: Tina Pickup

DC Case Officer Extn: 44 6461

Application Number: APP/15/00791

Site Address: 37 Park Parade, Havant, PO9 5AA

Proposed Development: Change of use of part ground floor from A1 to D2 (Dance school and fitness classes).

I attach a copy of the above application that has been received under the Town and Country Planning Acts.

Any views you should wish to make should be returned to me no later than 26 August 2015.

Observations / Comments:

Good afternoon Tina,

Sorry for the late comment. I have now read the application and I am concerned with the potential noise levels generated within the unit.

From experience, such business rely on loud music to motivate customers to raise their heart rate to benefit from the exercise. To that end I would need to have further information as to the noise insulation of the building. This to prevent air borne, structure-born noise/vibration from affecting nearby residents and businesses.

I further understand that the applicant has advised that whilst the exercises take place, door/windows will be shut to prevent noise escaping. This may very well be necessary, however, the temperature within will inevitably rise together with the customer core temperature, thus potentially affecting them. I am not clear if some sort of air cooling system will be introduced to ensure comfortable temperature within the building during exercises. Should the applicant wish to introduce air-conditioning to control temperature, I would need to receive information of the location of the unit, noise levels, and mitigation system to be incorporated to prevent, noise and vibration to nearby residents/businesses.

I should be grateful if this application is refused on noise ground until such time as sufficient information is provided and addressing the noise aspect of this application. However should you be minded to grant the application, I should be grateful if the following conditions are inserted.

1. Noise generated from equipments.

Condition 1: Any proposal relating to noise making equipment (i.e. Sound system, air conditioning unit) schemes shall be agreed and approved in writing by the District Planning Authority prior any development takes place.

Reason: To protect the occupants of nearby residential/commercial properties from noise and vibration.

BS4142 Requirement

Noise resulting from the use of any/all plant, machinery or equipment shall not exceed a level of 0dB(A) of the existing background level (or 10dB(A) below if there is a particular tonal quality) when measured according to British Standard BS4142-2014.

Reason: in the interests of protecting the local residents from unreasonable noise levels which would be detrimental to the residential character of the area.

Further I would be grateful for the informative relating to permitted working hours during development of the site be inserted.

I hope this helps

Kind regards



Mr. Laurent Lemagnen
Regulatory Officer, Environmental Health