

The spec doesn't tell me much more than the previous spec did, other than to clarify which unit is intended to be used. However without a acoustic assessment it is difficult to establish whether mitigation measures would be required or not. However as it is now stated that 'The proposed opening hours are 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday and 8am to 5pm on Sundays' I am prepared to accept that any noise emitted by the units during these periods of time, are probably unlikely to cause nuisance requiring abatement.

Therefore if the applicant is happy to accept a restriction / condition to the times these units can be operated i.e as stipulated above as proposed opening hours, I am prepared to forego the noise assessment.

I would still ask that a restriction on delivery times as previously requested, be implemented, especially due to the close proximity of residential receptors to the probable delivery point.

I would further ask that the following informative also be added to any positive decision notice:

"The installation of heat pump air conditioner equipment which when operated externally is audible from outside the curtilage of the premises, may detriment local amenity and could cause nuisance to neighbouring residential premises, for which the occupier, operator or person in control of the site would be liable. The granting of this planning consent does not implicitly permit the emission of noise from the site, nor does it supersede the general requirement of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (as amended) not to cause statutory, public or private nuisance."

Kind regards

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