

Dealt with by: Environmental Health

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MEMORANDUM: PLANNING CONSULTATION
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LOCATION	Endon Filling Station, Leek Road, Endon, Staffordshire, ST9 9BA
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	Rain screen canopies for car wash area

Potential Areas Of Environmental Concern.

1. Noise (Jet wash, vacuum noise, operational noise -staff, car engines, radios etc.)
2. Car wash spray

General Comments 12th August 2021

The proposed canopy may serve to address car wash spray issues and provide shelter for the operation and workers during wet weather, but it is predicted to provide negligible noise reduction which we understood to be the primary purpose of the application.

At this stage we would advise the following –

1. The canopy/screen selected should be revised to an alternative type that is designed to attenuate noise emissions from the site.
2. There are no timings set out in the application we would recommend these are set as those currently operational at the car wash site.

Updated Comments 7th July 2022

The application has been submitted as part of a scheme of noise reduction. The applicant has supplied on request of the Environmental Health Department further details of the screen which is to be installed to assist in noise and spray reduction. These are attached to this email. The application includes a L shaped screen - Length -22m x 11m, Height – 3m, Thick - 25mm.

This screen should complement previous noise mitigation measures which included reduced pressure settings on jet washers, enclosed low noise vacuum cleaner.

Recommendation

The Environmental Health Department have no objection subject to the following conditions or similar being applied to any permission granted.

Artificial Lighting

1. Details of floodlighting of the site shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of the development. The artificial lighting incorporated into this site in connection to this application shall not increase the pre-existing illuminance at the adjoining light sensitive locations (residential) when the light (s) is (are) in operation.

Reason: *To protect the local amenities of the local residents by reason of excess of luminance.*

Operation Times

2. The use hereby permitted shall take place only between the hours of 9am to 6pm Monday to Saturday and 10am to 4pm Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Reason: *To avoid the risk of disturbance to neighbouring dwellings during unsocial hours.*

Construction and demolition works: Timings

3. Unless prior permission has been obtained in writing from the Local Planning Authority, all noisy activities shall be restricted to the following times of operations.
 - 08:00 - 18:00 hours (Monday to Friday);
 - 08:00 - 13:00 hours (Saturday)
 - No working is permitted on Sundays or Bank Holidays.

In this instance a noisy activity is defined as any activity (for instance, but not restricted to, building construction/demolition operations, refurbishing and landscaping) which generates noise that is audible at the site boundary.

Reason: To avoid the risk of disturbance to neighbouring dwellings from noise during unsocial hours.

4. Construction & Demolition: Pollution Control

- I. During construction/demolition phases amplified music and/or radios shall not be audible beyond the site boundary;
- II. Any waste material associated with the demolition or construction shall not be burnt on site but shall be kept securely for removal to prevent escape into the environment. All waste transfer records should be retained for inspection by officers of the Local Planning Authority;
- III. No activity hereby permitted shall cause dust to be emitted beyond the site boundary so as to adversely affect adjacent residential properties and/or other sensitive uses and/or the local environment. In the event dust is caused to escape the site boundary the activity shall be stopped until sufficient dust suppression has been undertaken to prevent further escape. There shall always be the appropriate means and sufficient water resources on site for dust suppression. These should be made available for inspection when required by officers of the Local Planning Authority

Reason: *To protect the amenities of the area during construction*

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Oil inceptor

5. Prior to being discharged into any watercourse, surface water sewer or soak away system, all surface water drainage from parking areas and hard standings shall be passed through an oil interceptor designed and constructed to have a capacity and details compatible with the site being drained. Roof water shall not pass through the interceptor.

Reason: *To prevent pollution of the water environment*

Advisory Note/ Informative:

Please be aware that the responsibility for safe development and secure occupancy of the site rests with the developer.

- A Demolition or refurbishment asbestos survey and risk assessment should be carried out prior to the demolition of the existing buildings. The enforcing authority for this type of work is the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and it is recommended that you contact them directly to discuss their requirements: <http://www.hse.gov.uk/>

Regards,
Environmental Health