

Dealt with by: Environmental Health

Our Ref: [SMD/2022/0667](#)

Direct Dial: (01538) 395400

Your Ref: as above

Email: EHealth.Consultation@highpeak.gov.uk

Date: 18th June 2024

MEMORANDUM: PLANNING CONSULTATION
--

LOCATION

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

LAND AT, Uttoxeter Road, Upper Tean, Staffordshire
Full planning permission for residential development of 30 homes, including the creation of a new access, car parking and ancillary landscaping

Potential Areas of Environmental Concern.

1. Construction Impacts (Condition)
2. Land Contamination – (Condition)
3. Sound insulation (Condition assessment)
4. Artificial Lighting (Condition)

Contamination; The application is accompanied by a [phase 1 desk study by Ground Tech consulting](#) . The study concludes that the site has a medium - low risk of contamination , with some potential for ground gas generation due to the Alluvium deposits underlying the site.

The conclusions of the reports recommends further intrusive work to confirm the low risk postulation and determine the sites ground gas regime. This is agreed and a condition recommended.

EV infrastructure (building Control): The applicant is reminded that they will be required to install EV / EV infrastructure in accordance with [Approved Document S: infrastructure for charging electric vehicles](#)

Sound Insulation (revised comments): A revised noise assessment has been submitted with the revised details, it was undertaken by Miller Goodall (REPORT DATE: 19 MARCH 2024 REPORT NUMBER: 103003 V3) and has been submitted to take account of concerns raised regarding noise breakout from the adjacent builders yard. It has been undertaken in consideration of the criteria set out in PROPG: Planning and Noise: Professional Practice Guidance on Planning and Noise: New Residential Development, BS:8233:2014 Guidance on Sound insulation and Noise Reduction for buildings and WHO Guidelines for Community Noise. The dominant noise source at the development site was determined as road traffic noise, no activity has been noted at the building site during our visits to the site or the

acousticians noise monitoring. The assessment proposes specific mitigation in sections 7.5 – 7.7 to reduce noise impacts to ensure compliance with the required criteria. There is further mitigation proposed to address potential noise breakout from the builders yard set out in 7.8.5 and 7.8.6. These mitigation measures should be installed in full. We would advise pre-completion sound testing is undertaken to ensure mitigation is installed as required. Condition advised below.

Site Construction Nuisance: The proposed development is close to existing properties so care needs to be taken during the construction phase to ensure these activities do not cause unreasonably disruption to the neighbour's enjoyment of their properties. All construction activities should pay due care to the advice set out in BS 5228:1 and 2 in order that noise and vibration impacts are minimised during site preparation and construction phases.

Recommended Conditions

Environmental Health have no objection to the proposed development subject to condition.

1. Construction and Environmental Management Plan:

No phase of the development hereby permitted shall take place except for works of site clearance and demolition until a Construction and Environmental Management Plan for that phase of the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, which shall include the following details:-

- I. the hours of work, which shall not exceed the following: Construction and associated deliveries to the site shall not take place outside 08:00 to 18:00 hours Mondays to Fridays, and 08:00 to 13:00 hours on Saturdays, nor at any time on Sundays or Bank Holiday;
- II. the method and duration of any pile driving operations (including expected starting date and completion date);
- III. pile driving shall not take place outside 09:00 to 16:00 hours Mondays to Fridays, nor at any time on Saturdays, Sundays or Bank Holidays;
- IV. the arrangements for prior notification to the occupiers of potentially affected properties;
- V. the responsible person (e.g. site manager / office) who could be contacted in the event of complaint;
- VI. a scheme to minimise dust emissions arising from construction activities on the site.
- VII. a scheme for recycling/disposal of waste resulting from the construction works;
- VIII. the parking of vehicles of site operatives and visitors;

- IX. the loading and unloading of plant and materials;
- X. the storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development;
- XI. the erection and maintenance of security hoarding including decorative displays and facilities for public viewing, where appropriate;
- XII. details of measures to protect the public footpaths and amenity of users of the public footpaths crossing the site during the construction works,
- XIII. 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,
- XIV. the details of any generator/s to be used on site. They should be sufficiently attenuated so that any noise generated shall be inaudible inside any nearby noise sensitive premise,
- XV. during construction/demolition phases amplified music and/or radios shall not be audible beyond the site boundary.

All works shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details. Any alteration to this Plan shall be approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to commencement of the alteration.

Reason: *To protect the amenities of the area.*

amenity of local residents and that of the surrounding area from noise disturbance.

2. Lighting Condition

The artificial lighting incorporated into this site in connection to this application shall not increase the pre-existing illuminance or cause glare at the adjoining light sensitive locations when the light (s) is (are) in operation. Details of all artificial lighting to be installed under this permission should be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority prior to development commencing.

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

3. Sound Insulation

Prior to any part of the development first being occupied pre-completion tests shall be carried out to verify compliance with the submitted and approved Noise Assessment prepared by Miller Goodall, report ref. 103003 v.3, dated 19th March 2024. The raw data, calculations and results from the pre-completion tests shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority for its written approval before any of the units hereby approved are occupied.

Reason: *To protect occupiers from noise and safeguard their residential amenities.*

4. Contamination

- 4(a) Development shall not commence until a site risk assessment has been undertaken to assess the nature and extent of any contamination on the site, in accordance with a scheme to be agreed with the Local Planning Authority. Once completed, a written report of the findings and recommendations shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.
- (b) If the site risk assessment (a) indicates that potential risks exist, development shall not commence, until a detailed remediation strategy to bring the site to a condition suitable for the intended use has been prepared, and is subject to the approval in writing by the Local Planning Authority.
- (c) Following completion of measures identified in the approved remediation scheme (b) and prior to bringing the development into first use, a verification report that demonstrates the effectiveness of the remediation carried out must be produced, and is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority.
- (d) If, during the course of development, any contamination is found which has not been identified in the site investigation, additional measures for the remediation of this source of contamination shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The remediation of the site shall incorporate the approved additional measures.

The scheme must ensure that the site will not qualify as contaminated land under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 in relation to the intended use of the land after remediation.

5. Importation of Soil/Material

No top soil is to be imported to the site until it has been tested for contamination and assessed for its suitability for the proposed development, a suitable methodology for testing this material should be submitted to and agreed by the Local Planning Authority prior to the soils being imported onto site. The methodology should include the sampling frequency, testing schedules, criteria against which the analytical results will be assessed (as determined by the risk assessment) and source material information. The analysis shall then be carried out and validatory evidence submitted to and approved in writing to by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason (common to 4-5):- *To ensure that the proposed development meets the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework in that all potential risks to human health, controlled waters and wider environment are known and where necessary dealt with via remediation and or management of those risks.*

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/>
- Any approved noise scheme and measurements should pay due regard to British Standard BS8233:2014 Sound insulation and noise reduction for buildings (Code of Practice), ProPG- Planning and Noise: New Residential Development and BS4142:2014+A1:2019 Methods for Rating and Assessing Industrial and Commercial Sound
- All lighting details should be provided with predicted LUX levels at the cartilage of the nearest residential receptors. This should be undertaken in line with the Institute of Lighting Engineers Guidance on intrusive lighting.
- The lighting scheme should comply with the Institution of Lighting Professionals Guidance Note for the reduction of obtrusive light 2011(or later versions). It should be designed so that it is the minimum needed for security and operational processes and be installed to minimise potential pollution caused by glare and spillage.

Illuminated area m ²	Zone E1	Zone E2	Zone E3	Zone E4
Up to 10.00	100	600	800	1000
Over 10.00	n/a	300	600	600

Environmental Zones			
Zone	Surrounding	Lighting Environment	Examples
E0	Protected	Dark	UNESCO Starlight Reserves, IDA Dark Sky Parks
E1	Natural	Intrinsically dark	National Parks, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty etc.
E2	Rural	Low district brightness	Village or relatively dark outer suburban locations
E3	Suburban	Medium district brightness	Small town centres or suburban locations
E4	Urban	High district brightness	Town/city centres with high levels of night-time activity

The guidance advises that, where an area to be lit lies on the boundary of two zones or can be observed from another zone, the limits used should be those applicable to the most rigorous zone.

- During any demolition and construction activities (including landscaping) the contractor should take all reasonable steps to prevent dust formation and prevent any dust formed from leaving the site boundary.
- The control of dust and emissions from construction and demolition Best Practice Guidance, produced by the greater London councils <http://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/BPGcontrolofdustandemissions.pdf>

- Building Research Establishment Guidance Document ‘Control of Dust from Construction and Demolition Activities’ (BR456)
- If required, Contamination risk assessments shall be carried out in accordance with UK policy the Land contamination risk management framework (LCRM), published by the Environment Agency <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/land-contamination-risk-management-lcrm>
 - Submission of reports should also be made to the Environment Agency for comment with regard to their remit to protect ground and surface waters from pollution and their obligations relating to contaminated land.
 - The Local Planning Authority will determine the acceptability of reports on the basis of the information made available to it. Please be aware that should a risk of harm from contamination remain post development, where the applicant had prior knowledge of the contamination, the applicant is likely to be liable under Part II (a) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 and as such become an “appropriate person”. In this event the applicant will be lawfully responsible to remove the risk posed by the contamination.
 - Equally if during any site works a pathway for any contaminant on site is created and humans, waters, property or ecological systems are exposed to this, the applicant or those acting on behalf of the applicant will be liable under part II (a) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 if the risks are not adequately addressed during the site redevelopment.
 - During investigation and remediation works the applicant and those acting on behalf of the applicant must ensure that site workers, public property and the environment are protected against noise, dust, odour and fumes
 - The applicant is advised that should there be a requirement as part of the Remediation Strategy to treat, reuse or remove contaminated material on the site, the Environment Agency must be consulted, as these activities may need to be licensed or permitted. Contaminated materials identified for removal off site must be disposed of in an appropriately licensed landfill site.
 - Staffordshire Moorlands District Council is keen to liaise with all stakeholders involved in this application. As such, we recommend that a proposed scope of works is forwarded to the Environmental Protection Department and agreed in principle prior to site investigation works being undertaken. The Environmental Protection Department is also prepared to review draft copies of reports prior to final submission to the Planning Department in order to ensure that works undertaken are sufficient to discharge the contaminated land conditions.

Regards,
Environmental Health