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MEMORANDUM: PLANNING CONSULTATION
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LOCATION	13 High Street Biddulph
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	Change of Use from Butchers (Class E) to Hot Food Takeaway (Sui Generis) serving English & Slovakian Food.

Potential Areas of Environmental Concern

1. Noise from plant including kitchen extract and stack (condition)
2. Cooking smells and ventilation (Condition).
3. Construction Impacts (Condition)
4. Timings (Condition application form timings)
5. Unexpected Contamination (Condition)
6. Asbestos (Advisory)

Comments

There is limited information provided with this application in regard to the potential adverse impacts – cooking smells and noise but it is a commercial area which has similar units in close vicinity. We would advise the conditions below are imposed to ensure plant noise (Refrigeration, extraction etc) and cooking smells are mitigated so as not to cause adverse impacts to nearby residential and commercial units. The timings proposed by the applicant should be conditioned.

The granting of planning permission does not in any way indemnify against statutory nuisance action being taken should substantiated complaints within the remit of part III of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 be received.

Recommendation

No objection subject to Condition.

Conditions

1. Construction & Demolition works: Time of operations

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.*

2. Construction Impacts

- 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*

3. Plant and Machinery

The rating level of sound emitted from [any fixed plant and/or machinery associated with the development and the industrial activities at the use hereby approved shall not exceed background sound levels by more than 5 dB(A) between the hours of 07.00–23.00 (taken as a 15 minute LA90 at the nearest sound-sensitive premises) and shall not exceed the background sound level between 23.00–07.00 (taken as a 15 minute LA90 at the nearest/any sound-sensitive premises). All measurements shall be made in accordance with the methodology of BS4142 (2014 + A1:2019) (Methods for rating and assessing industrial

and commercial sound) and/or its subsequent amendments.

Where access to the nearest sound-sensitive property is not possible, measurements shall be undertaken at an appropriate location and corrected to establish the noise levels at the nearest sound-sensitive property.

Any deviations from the LA90 time interval stipulated above shall be agreed in writing with the local planning authority.

Reason:- *To safeguard the amenity of local residents and that of the surrounding area from noise disturbance.*

4. Cooking Smells

Suitable ventilation and filtration equipment shall be installed to suppress and disperse fumes and/or smell created from cooking activities on the premises. (The equipment shall be effectively operated and maintained in accordance with manufacturer's instructions for as long as the proposed use continues). Details of the equipment shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority in writing prior to commencement of this development. Equipment shall be installed and in full working order to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of use. (Any system installed must be by suitably qualified competent engineers and the canopy must meet all relevant Health and Safety requirements including the use of Gas Interlocks. The provision of a commissioning certificate issued by a Gas Safe registered engineer should be available for inspection.)

Reason: *To ensure that unsatisfactory cooking odours outside the premises are minimised, in the interest of the amenity of occupiers of nearby properties.*

5. Timings

The timings set out in the application form should be made a condition of the permission.

6. Delivery Timings

There shall be no deliveries between the hours of 20:00 and 07:00 hours Monday to Saturday inclusive and not between the hours of 20:00 and 10:00 on Sundays and Public or Bank Holidays.

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

Advisory Note/ Informative:

Food Registration: Under Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 Article 6 Paras 1 and 2 every food business operator shall cooperate with and notify the appropriate competent authority by

completion of a food establishment registration form for each establishment under its control that carries out any of the stages of production, processing and distribution of food, with a view to the registration of each establishment. Food business operators shall also ensure that the competent authority always has up-to-date information on establishments, including by notifying any significant change in activities and any closure of an existing establishment.

The applicant is advised to contact the Environmental Health Department, Staffordshire Moorlands District Council, Moorlands House, Stockwell Street, Leek, Staffordshire
Moorlands Tel: 01538 395400 Fax: 01538 388393

Email: environmental.health@staffsmoorlands.gov.uk

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 the Professional Guidance on Planning and Noise (ProPG), British Standard BS8233: Sound insulation and noise reduction for buildings (Code of Practice), BS4142:2014+A1:2019 Methods for rating and assessing industrial or commercial sound and/or the Building Regulations 2010 Document E or other appropriate guidance
- Any approved foul drainage system should meet the British Standard 6297:2007+A1:2008: Code of practice for the design and installation of drainage fields for use in wastewater treatment <http://www.bsigroup.com>
- Advice on controlling flies and light can be found in: Statutory Nuisance from Insects and Artificial Light (defra 2005) available as a free download <http://archive.defra.gov.uk/environment/quality/local/legislation/cnea/documents/statnuisance.pdf>
- During any demolition and construction activities (including landscaping) the contractor shall 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 Health Department and agreed in principle prior to site investigation works being undertaken. The Environmental Health 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