

Concerning:

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Proposed Development at Plot 5610 Gypsy Moth Avenue AL10 9BS

Objection of Plans as currently submitted.

From:

114 Campion Road

Hatfield Garden Village

AL10 9FT

To whom it may concern,

Whilst I recognise that the land at Plot 5610 needs to be used by the Business Park from some purpose, I object to the proposal as submitted and suggest that some changes or additional considerations and accommodations be made before proceeding to approval.

These are as follows:

Noise Pollution: Reflection of road noise on to existing residential properties.

I have a major concern that the introduction of a metal clad walls running parallel to Hatfield Avenue will have the effect of reflecting and intensifying road traffic sound for the residences on the north side of Hatfield Avenue: that sound waves that currently dissipate southward will be reflected back northward causing additional sound with the potential for constructive interference creating particularly intense acoustic hotspots. Should this development be permitted, please make this on the condition that the north facing walls have sound absorption properties or properties such that reflected soundwaves are reflected and dispersed upwards.

Noise Pollution: Sound coming from onsite activities

It would be beneficial to the existing neighbourhood if the north facing walls of the light industrial units (those adjacent to Hatfield Avenue) had extra acoustic insulation layer.

I note that the actual purpose of these light industrial units has not been specified unlike the new car preparation facilities previous proposed for the site.

It would also be beneficial that vehicle movements (other than staff cars) were forbidden outside the buildings between 8am and 8pm and minimal on weekends.

Noise Pollution: Additional HGV traffic

It would be beneficial if HGV traffic were routed avoiding the roundabout where Hatfield Avenue and Gypsy Moth Avenue and Campion Road intersect as HGVs to and from the Arla facility are required to do.

Light Pollution

Security lighting on the industrial units should be of an appropriate brightness and pointed downward as not to cause additional light to fall upon the surrounding residential properties: this was an initial issue with the warehouse built directly behind where security lights were like a row of cars with full beam headlights pointed at the houses opposite.

Additional Parking and Waiting on Campion Road

It has not escaped the notice of me and my neighbours that workers from a distribution warehouse on the Hatfield Business Park take up precious on street parking at the beginning of Campion Road whilst on shift. It is assumed that there is not enough parking on site or these are agency workers who have not been permitted to park on site. This is very unfair to the residents who live on this street and shows zero corporate social responsibility for their neighbours.

It has also not escaped the notice of me and my neighbours that vehicles from another business on the Business Park stop for up to 20min often with engines running at the beginning of Campion Road at other times, with Campion Road sometimes appearing to be used as a waiting or holding zone for vehicles returning to base earlier than planned. There is plenty of room on their own site to wait their turn to come in!

Both are a result of the Business Park's no parking or waiting policy on access roads. The new development must not make either of the above worse.

Boundary Fencing and Planting (optimising useable floorspace of Building A to the maximum to the detriment of the exterior)

The boundary fencing is very, very close to the existing footway. The corner of Building A is very close the roundabout Hatfield Avenue. It would be beneficial for visual appeal and for noise control purposes if the boundary fencing were set back at least several metres and the planting vastly improved and thickened as on the opposite side Gypsy Moth Way at Arla. It is clear the developers are trying to get as much floor space as possible on what is quite a narrow plot but my opinion that the whole development should be set further back from Hatfield Avenue and Gypsy Moth Way.

The two large established trees should not be removed and supplemented by other large planting to minimise the visual impact and sound reflection of the new facilities.

Colour of External Wall Cladding

Proposed elevations appear to be quite blue in colour which is not in keeping with the existing greys of other buildings in the area.

I would be grateful for the consideration of the above points to improve the proposed development of the site.