

Planning Consultation Memo

Date	Planning Officer	Environmental Health Officer
18/01/2019	Ms Lucy Hale	Terry Vincent
Planning Application Number	Worksheet Number	
6/2018/2241/FULL	WK104698	

Address: Ocado Ltd, Gypsy Moth Avenue, Hatfield, Hertfordshire, AL10 9BD.

Application Details: Erection of an ancillary Vehicle Maintenance Unit to serve the existing distribution unit

Considerations relevant to Environmental Health for this application

Noise from vehicle maintenance unit
Noise from any demolition and construction

Conclusion

Recommend planning application is permitted
Recommend planning application is permitted but with conditions
Recommend planning application is refused

Comments:

The noise report submitted with the application is very thorough and clear.

I only have one concern that I propose to condition. This is in relation the pneumatic wrench. It is likely that the noise from the pneumatic wrench will be perceptible at some of the closest receptors. This could present an issue during warmer months when residents have their windows open at night.

Site operations have previously raised complaints. Due to the likely impulsivity noise from the operation of the pneumatic wrench it could give rise to complaints in certain circumstances.

Condition:

The use of the Pneumatic Wrench is restricted to the hours of 07:00 and 22:00.

Reason: To protect local residents from disturbance from the operation of the pneumatic wrench during hours of sleep.

Informatives

Noise control

1. All works and ancillary operations which are audible at the site boundary, or at such other place as may be agreed with the Council, shall be carried out only between the hours of :
8.00am and 6.00pm on Mondays to Fridays
8.00am and 1.00pm Saturdays
and at no time on Sundays and Bank Holidays
2. The best practicable means, as defined in section 72 of the Control of Pollution Act 1974, to reduce noise to a minimum shall be employed at all times
3. All plant and machinery in use shall be properly silenced and maintained in accordance with the manufacturers' instructions
4. All compressors shall be sound reduced models, fitted with properly lined and sealed acoustic covers, which shall be kept closed whenever the machines are in use. All ancillary pneumatic percussive tools shall be fitted with mufflers or silencers of the type recommended by the manufactures.
5. All machines in intermittent use shall be shut down during intervening periods between work, or throttled down to a minimum. Noise emitting equipment, which is required to operate continuously, shall be housed in suitable acoustic enclosures.
6. Items of plant and equipment shall be maintained in good condition so that extraneous noise from mechanical vibration, squeaking or creaking is reduced to a minimum.
7. All pile driving shall be carried out by a recognised noise reducing system.
8. Where practical, rotary drills and bursters, actuated by hydraulic or electric power shall be used for excavating hard material
9. In general, equipment for breaking concrete and the like, shall be hydraulically actuated.
10. 'BS 5228 Noise Control on Construction Sites' should be referred to for guidance in respect of all work carried out by the developer, their main contractor and any sub contractors.
11. Any emergency deviation from these conditions shall be notified to the Council without delay
12. Any planned deviations from these conditions for special technical reasons, shall be negotiated with Council at least 14 days prior to the commencement of the specific work.

13. Permissible noise levels are not specified at this stage.

Dust control

1. All efforts shall be made to reduce dust generation to a minimum
2. Stock piles of materials for use on the site or disposal, that are likely to generate dust, shall be sited so as to minimise any nuisance to residents or neighbouring businesses. Materials for disposal shall be moved off site as quickly as possible.
3. Water sprays shall be used, as and when necessary, to reduce dust from particularly "dusty" activities or stock piles.