Planning Consultation Memo

Date	Planning Officer	Environmental Health Officer
14/09/2022	Mr David Elmore	Terry Vincent
Planning Application	Worksheet	
Number	Number	
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Address: Eisai Europe Limited, European Knowledge Centre, Mosquito Way, Hatfield, AL10 9SN

Application Details: Construction of a 4,012sqm extension to the existing warehouse space (Use Class E) with associated plant and works including the relocation of a bicycle shelter, re-routed internal access road and landscaping

Considerations relevant to Environmental Health for this application

Noise from construction works. Noise from plant and equipment.

Description of site and discussion of considerations

A noise impact assessment has been submitted and the contents have been noted. In relation to plant and equipment, the council has specific noise level requirements. I will recommend a condition that implements these requirements and requires testing to ensure that the equipment does not exceed the set noise limits.

Conclusion

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

Conditions:

Noise from demolition/construction works:

All noisy 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

If noisy works must be carried out beyond these times, then an application must be made for consideration by environmental health under the Control of Pollution Act 1974 (Section 61 application).

Reason – to protect residents from noise from construction works beyond reasonable times

Noise from New Plant & Equipment:

Before the development hereby approved is brought into use, a manned measured noise survey must be carried out and a report of the findings submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The noise survey must include reference to measured background noise level at the closest residential receptor.

The noise emitted must be measured from the facade of the nearest residential premises to demonstrate that the noise emitted by the combined operation of all external building services plant hereby permitted does not exceed the background noise level at any time when the plant is operating.

Reason – to protect the occupants of the new development from noise disturbance.

Informative:

Demolition/construction works

- 1. 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
- 2. All plant and machinery in use shall be properly silenced and maintained in accordance with the manufacturers' instructions
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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.
- 5. 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.
- 6. All pile driving shall be carried out by a recognised noise reducing system.
- 7. Where practical, rotary drills and bursters, actuated by hydraulic or electric power shall be used for excavating hard material
- 8. In general, equipment for breaking concrete and the like, shall be hydraulically actuated.

- '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.
- 10. Any emergency deviation from these conditions shall be notified to the Council without delay
- 11. 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.
- 12. 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.