

Consultation Response from KC Environmental Health – Pollution & Noise Control		
2019/93069		
84A Meltham Road, Lockwood, Huddersfield, HD4 7BQ		
Change of use of land and buildings from A1 Garden Centre to hand car wash, partial re-surfacing of hardstanding areas, formation of parking bays and erection of 1.8m acoustic fence		
Date Responded: 31/10/19	Responding Officer: Hannah Kent	Responding Ref: WK/201920605
Before the application can be determined, details of a noise assessment by a suitably competent person would be required to be submitted in writing to the Local Planning Authority. An acoustic report has been submitted, however some of the information submitted will require further clarification before a formal response can be determined, namely: 1. The information submitted in the application for planning permission appears to contradict that provided in the acoustic report, in that, section 5 of the application “Description of proposal” states that the change of use has not already started. However, section 10 “Noise Survey Results Table” of the acoustic report makes reference to car wash activities from the site such as “high pressure lance”, “low pressure foamer” and “valeting”, including “vacuum” noise • Can the acoustic consultant clarify what the ten noise measurements consisted of, the report refers to these measurements as including car washing activities. 2. The application and the acoustic report do not detail (explicitly) the proposed equipment that is to be installed on site. Whilst section 10 of the acoustic report uses noise data taken from “Library Hand Car Wash Data” there is no reference to the source of this data to enable verification. The applicant must: • Provide a detailed list of the equipment to be used on site in order that the acoustician can fully determine operational site noise levels. Whilst there appears to be some information that may be helpful in Appendices A.1 and A.2, of the acoustic report, the images are not of sufficient scale or quality to enable the detail to be conveyed. • Further, there doesn’t appear to be sufficient information that details the exact equipment; make and model (including detailed source noise levels) and the exact locations that the equipment is to be cited; and The acoustic consultant must: • Provide detailed references to all source noise data within the acoustic report in order that the data can be verified as appropriate for the noise calculations.		