

Consultation Response from: KC Environmental Health (Pollution & Noise Control)		
2023/91264 67-71 Northgate, Cleckheaton, BD19 3HZ		
Conversion of first floor offices to six flats including associated external alterations		
Responding Date: 30 th May 2023	Responding Officer: SR	Responding Ref: WK202315394
<p><u>Comments</u> We have reviewed application 2023/91264 and make the following comments and recommendations. The proposed development concerns the conversion of the first-floor area to residential accommodation above existing retail space.</p> <p><u>Noise</u> As the proposed development includes residential accommodation above existing commercial businesses we recommend a condition to ensure the provision of suitable insulation in the party structures to protect the amenity of future occupiers. The proposed development is across the road from a large retail unit and is situated close to a road with very high traffic volumes, these sources can give rise to loss of amenity to future occupiers by way of traffic, delivery and customer noise. We recommend a condition for a noise assessment.</p> <p><u>Contaminated land</u> This site has been identified on our mapping system as potentially contaminated land due to its previous use as an engineering works and animal feeds processors (site ref: 150/1). As minimal groundworks are proposed and no soft landscaping forms part of the scheme, we recommend conditions in relation to unexpected contamination.</p> <p><u>Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCP)</u> Six new car parking spaces are proposed, it is unclear if these are allocated spaces to each proposed residence and clarification is required. To future proof the development, it is expected that facilities for charging electric vehicles and other ultra-low emission vehicles are provided in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and <i>Air Quality & Emissions Technical Planning Guidance</i> from the West Yorkshire Low Emissions Strategy Group. In an application where car parking may be shared it would be advisable to fit fast or rapid electric vehicle chargers. A condition requiring a charging point is therefore recommended.</p> <p><u>Construction Noise</u> Construction noise can give rise to loss of amenity to neighbouring noise sensitive receptors, for this reason a condition is necessary to limit the hours of operation for the site.</p> <p><u>Recommended Conditions</u> NC9 Noise Assessment Report and Mitigation Scheme - Condition Before construction work commences a report specifying the measures to be taken to protect the development from noise from all significant noise sources that are likely to affect the</p>		

proposed development including road traffic and commercial premises shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The report shall:

- a) Determine the existing noise climate
- b) Predict the noise climate in living rooms (daytime) and bedrooms (night-time).
- c) Detail the proposed attenuation/design necessary to protect the amenity of the occupants of the new residences (including ventilation if required).

The development shall not be occupied until all works specified in the approved report have been carried out in full and such works shall be thereafter retained.

Reason: To protect the amenity of occupiers of the proposed development from noise or disturbance from nearby noise generating premises to accord with the aims of Policies LP24 and LP52 of the Kirklees Local Plan and Chapters 12 and 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

NC6 For use where proposed commercial and residential share a party structure (floor / ceiling or wall etc) – Condition

Before the development is brought into use written evidence to demonstrate that the airborne sound insulation performance of the party floors of the development is of a minimum of 55 dB Dntw + Ctr shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. If it cannot be demonstrated that the aforementioned airborne sound insulation performance has been achieved, a scheme incorporating further measures to achieve the sound insulation performance shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. All works comprised within those further measures shall be completed and further written evidence to demonstrate that the aforementioned sound insulation performance level has been achieved shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority before the development is first brought into use.

Reason: To protect the amenity of occupiers of the proposed development from noise or disturbance from nearby noise generating premises to accord with the aims of Policies LP24 and LP52 of the Kirklees Local Plan and Chapters 12 and 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

NF4 Competent Person - Footnote

All noise assessments should be carried out by a competent person. The applicant may wish to contact the Association of Noise Consultants <http://www.association-of-noise-consultants.co.uk/> (020 8253 4518) or the Institute of Acoustics <http://www.ioa.org.uk> (0300 999 9675) for a list of members.

CLC6 Reporting of Unexpected Contamination - Condition

In the event that contamination, or the presence of coal not previously identified by the developer prior to the grant of this planning permission is encountered during the development, all works in the affected area (except for site investigation works) shall cease immediately and the Local Planning Authority shall be notified in writing within 2 working days. Works in the affected area shall not recommence until either (a) a Remediation Strategy by a suitably competent person has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority or (b) the Local Planning Authority has confirmed in writing that remediation measures are not required. The Remediation Strategy shall include a timetable for the implementation and completion of the approved remediation measures. Thereafter

remediation of the site shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the approved Remediation Strategy.

Following completion of any measures identified in the approved Remediation Strategy a Verification Report shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority. No part of the site shall be brought into use until such time as that part of the site has been remediated in accordance with the approved Remediation Strategy and a Verification Report in respect of those works has been approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure the safe occupation of the site in accordance with Policy LP53 of the Kirklees Local Plan and paragraph nos. 183 and 184 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

CLC7 Contaminated land - Footnote

All contamination reports shall be prepared by a suitably competent person, as defined in Annex 2 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021. Reports must be prepared in accordance with the following guidance:

- *Land Contamination Risk Management (LCRM)*
- *BS 10175:2011+ A2:2017 Investigation of Potentially Contaminated Sites. Code of Practice*
- *Development on Land Affected by Contamination - Technical Guidance for Developers, Landowners & Consultants - (v11.2) June 2020 by the Yorkshire and Lincolnshire Pollution Advisory Group.*

The conditions relate to Planning Control only. Approval under the Building Regulations may also be required, and the applicant should contact their Building Control Provider for further information. Any other necessary consent must be obtained from the appropriate authority. If the applicant commences work without discharging conditions, they will be at risk of enforcement action and invalidating the permission if the planning condition is a pre commencement condition.

EVC1 Electric Vehicle Charging Points - Condition

Before the electrical system is installed a scheme detailing the dedicated facilities that will be provided for charging electric vehicles and other ultra-low emission vehicles shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall meet the requirements of the current West Yorkshire Low Emission Strategy (WYLES) document. The approved dedicated facilities for charging electric vehicles shall be installed prior to occupation and retained for use thereafter.

Reason: In the interest of supporting and encouraging low emission vehicles, in the interest of air quality enhancement, to comply with the aims and objectives of Policies LP20, LP24 and LP47 of the Kirklees Local Plan, Chapters 2, 9 and 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework and the West Yorkshire Low Emission Strategy (WYLES).

EVF1 Electric Vehicle Charging Points – Footnote

- The electrical supply of the final installation should allow the charging equipment to operate at full rated capacity and the installation must comply with all applicable electrical requirements in force at the time of installation.
- The conditions relate to Planning Control only. Approval under the Building Regulations may also be required, and the applicant should contact their Building Control Provider

for further information in relation to Approved Document S.

CSC1 Construction Site Working Times - Condition

Noisy construction related activities shall not take place outside the hours of:

07.30 to 18.30 hours Mondays to Fridays

08.00 to 13.00 hours, Saturdays

With no noisy activities on Sundays or Public Holidays

Reason: To safeguard the amenities of the occupiers of nearby properties in accordance with part 15 of the NPPF and LP52 of the Local Plan

CSF1 Construction Sites working times – Footnote

Kirklees Council has powers under Section 60 of the Control of Pollution Act 1974 to control noise from construction sites and may serve a notice imposing requirements on the way in which construction works are to be carried out. It has additional powers under Sections 80 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 to prevent statutory nuisance including noise, dust, smoke and artificial light and must serve an abatement notice when it is satisfied that a statutory nuisance exists or is likely to occur or recur. Failure to comply with a notice served using the above-mentioned legislation would be an offence for which the maximum fine on summary conviction is unlimited.