

Consultation Response from: KC Environmental Health (Pollution & Noise Control)
2023/93350 - Former Deighton Centre, Deighton Road, Deighton, Huddersfield, HD2 1JP
Development of former Deighton Centre (previously Deighton High School) comprising Social Emotional and Mental Health School (use class F1) comprising single and two storey educational buildings; roof mounted photo-voltaic panels; sensory garden spaces; multi-use games areas; landscaping; hardstanding areas; carparking; access with secure fencing and ancillary development
Responding Date:
 4th April 2024

Responding Officer:
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 WK/202407158

Contaminated Land

In our response dated 4th January 2024 we reviewed two documents authored by HSP Consulting, received in support of the application:

- Phase 1 Geo-Environmental Desk Study Report, dated December 2022 (ref: HSP2022-C4164-G-GPI-1137)
- Phase II Geo-Environmental Assessment Report, dated May 2023 (ref: HSP2023-C4164-G-GPII-1222)

After reviewing the reports, we requested additional information in relation to deviating samples, the ground gas regime, and the sampling methodology for VOCs. Further to our comments, we have received a revised Phase II Geo-Environmental Assessment Report, dated 1st February 2024 (ref: HSP2023-C4164-G-GPII-1222 Revision B).

The report has given additional details concerning ground gases. HSP have also provided further clarification regarding the VOC sampling procedure and protocol during a meeting with Environmental Health on 16th January 2024.

Considering the contamination encountered as reported in the revised Phase 2 report, a remediation strategy for this site is necessary. We anticipate this to be a site-specific remediation strategy that comprehensively addresses the all the elevated inorganic and organic contaminants identified.

Nevertheless, there is adequate information available to support the application, on the condition that the necessary contamination land conditions and associated footnote are applied to any consent granted.

Recommended Conditions

Please note our contaminated land recommendations have changed since our previous response.

CLC3 Submission of Remediation Strategy - Condition

Where site remediation is recommended in the Phase II Intrusive Site Investigation Report approved pursuant to condition (CLC2) further groundworks shall not commence until a Remediation Strategy by a suitably competent person has been submitted to and approved in

writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Remediation Strategy shall include a timetable for the implementation and completion of the approved remediation measures.

Reason: To ensure the safe occupation of the site in accordance with Policy LP53 of the Kirklees Local Plan and paragraph nos. 189 and 190 of the National Planning Policy Framework

CLC4 Implementation of the Remediation Strategy - Condition

Remediation of the site shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the Remediation Strategy approved pursuant to condition (CLC3). In the event that remediation is unable to proceed in accordance with the approved Remediation Strategy or contamination not previously considered in either the Preliminary Risk Assessment or the Phase II Intrusive Site Investigation Report is identified or encountered on site, all groundworks 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 shall not recommence until proposed revisions to the Remediation Strategy have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Remediation of the site shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved revised Remediation Strategy.

Reason: To ensure the safe occupation of the site in accordance with Policy LP53 of the Kirklees Local Plan and paragraph nos. 189 and 190 of the National Planning Policy Framework

CLC5 Submission of Verification Report - Condition

Following completion of any measures identified in the approved Remediation Strategy or any approved revised Remediation Strategy a Verification Report by a suitably competent person shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority. No part of the site shall be brought into use until such time as the remediation measures have been completed for (that part of) the site in accordance with the approved Remediation Strategy or the approved revised Remediation Strategy and a Verification Report in respect of those remediation measures has been approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Where verification has been submitted and approved in stages for different areas of the whole site, a Final Verification Summary Report shall be submitted to and 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. 189 and 190 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.

SP2 Ball Impact Sound Mitigation - Condition

All works to minimise the noise from the impact of balls should be carried out in accordance with the Design Guidance Note from Sport England - Artificial Grass Pitch (AGP) Acoustics - Planning Implications.

Reason: To ensure the proposed development does not cause harmful noise pollution within neighbouring noise sensitive locations, in the interest of amenity, to comply with the aims and objectives of Policies LP24 and LP52 of the Kirklees Local Plan and Chapters 12 and 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

HUC1 Hours of Use for MUGAs - Condition

The MUGAs shall not be used outside the hours of 0830 to 1830 Mondays to Fridays only.

Reason: To ensure that the proposed use(s) does not give rise to the loss of amenity to nearby residential properties, by reason of noise or disturbance at unsociable hours, 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.

NC10 Noise from Fixed Plant & Equipment - Condition

The combined noise from any fixed mechanical services and external plant and equipment shall be effectively controlled so that the combined rating level of noise from all such equipment does not exceed the background sound level at any time. "Rating level" and "background sound level" are as defined in BS 4142:2014+A1:2019.

Reason: To ensure the proposed development does not cause harmful noise pollution within neighbouring noise sensitive locations, in the interest of amenity, to comply with the aims and objectives of Policies LP24 and LP52 of the Kirklees Local Plan and Chapters 12 and 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

EVC1 Electric Vehicle Charging Points - Condition

Before first occupation details regarding the technical specification of the 12 electric vehicle charging points (EVCPs) must be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. This scheme must meet the minimum requirements in the current West Yorkshire Low Emission Strategy (WYLES) document. The approved facilities for charging electric vehicles must be installed before 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

CEMPC Construction Environmental Management Plan - Condition

Prior to development commencing, a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority. The plan shall describe in detail the actions that will be taken to minimise adverse impacts on occupiers of nearby properties by effectively controlling:

- Noise & vibration arising from all construction related activities. This should also include suitable restrictions on the hours of working on the site including times of deliveries.
- Dust arising from all construction related activities, which should include measures to monitor and record the emissions of dust during construction. This must include dust mitigation measures as recommended in Table 4.5 and Table 4.6 on pages 18 – 21 of the Air Quality Assessment by BWB Consulting (ref: 220983-AQA-001) (dated: September 2023).
- Artificial lighting used in connection with all construction related activities and security of the construction site.

A communications plan detailing the responsible person, their contact details and how this will be communicated to local residents and the Local Authority must be included.

The agreed plan shall be adhered to throughout the construction of the development.

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.

CEMPF Construction Environmental Management Plan - Footnote

No construction related noise shall be audible beyond the site boundary outside the hours of:

- 07.30 to 18.30 hours Mondays to Fridays
- 08.00 to 13.00 hours, Saturdays

With no construction related noise audible beyond the site boundary on Sundays or Public Holidays.

For further information regarding dust control, guidance can be found in the Institute of Air Quality Management (IAQM) document *“Guidance on the assessment of dust from demolition and construction”* Version 1.1 2014.

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.

LC1 External Artificial Lighting - Condition

Before the installation of external artificial lighting commences, a lighting scheme shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme should include the following information applicable to both the site and to the MUGAs:

- a) The proposed hours of operation of the lighting
- b) The location and specification of all of the luminaires
- c) The proposed design level of maintained average horizontal illuminance for the areas that needs to be illuminated.
- d) The measures that will be taken to minimise or eliminate glare and stray light arising from the use of the lighting that is caused beyond the boundary of the site
- e) The methods of switching and controlling the lighting so that it is only operated at the permitted times and at times when it is required.

No external artificial lighting shall be used unless the lighting has been installed and operated in accordance with the approved scheme.

Reason: To safeguard the amenities of the occupiers of nearby properties and promote sustainable development in accordance with part 2 and 15 of the NPPF and LP52 of the Local Plan.

LF1 Artificial lighting - Footnote

The proposed design levels of illuminance should be shown to be appropriate for the intended use by reference to appropriate guidance. Generally, to minimise problems of glare and stray light from external artificial lighting it should be installed and maintained in accordance with the *“Guidance Note 01/21 for the Reduction of Obtrusive Light”* by the Institution of Lighting Professionals: 2021 www.theilp.org.uk. The predicted levels of stray light must not exceed the recommended maximum levels given in Table 2 of this guidance for the corresponding Environmental Zone.