

Consultation Response from: KC Environmental Health (Pollution & Noise Control)		
2025/93047 Land off, Old Westgate, Dewsbury, WF13 1NE		
Change of use of car park previously used as taxi parking and partial flat development to hand car wash (within a Conservation Area)		
Date Responded: 11 February 2026	Responding Officer: Hannah Kent	Responding Ref: WK/202602610
<p>Thank you for consulting Environmental Health on the above application.</p> <p><u>Consideration / Comments</u></p> <p>CONTAMINATED LAND This site has been identified on our mapping system as potentially contaminated land due to its previous uses as a car park and a variety of re-developed historical buildings. Contaminated land conditions are therefore necessary. If redevelopment of the site does not require preparatory groundworks and/or the installation of services requiring groundworks, a suitably qualified contaminated land consultant may advise minimal investigations are necessary.</p> <p>NOISE The proposed development is situated in a mixed use residential / commercial location and therefore has the potential to result in noise impacts to neighbouring noise sensitive premises on Wellington Road overlooking the site, and 13, Nelson Street as well as the Old Library, Wellington Road has an application to re-develop the site to form 14 apartments (2025/92139), awaiting a decision. A noise impact assessment is required with the proposed change of use to determine any potential noise impacts associated with the proposed development and identify the necessary noise mitigation measures.</p> <p>POLLUTION PREVENTION The provision of a Jet Wash facility has the potential to contaminate land and nearby watercourses due to the possible release of harmful chemicals stored on site and through wastewater containing these chemicals (cleaning solutions and finish products used to clean vehicles) as well as soil and salt particles finding their way into the environment if not properly controlled.</p> <p>ARTIFICIAL LIGHTING Artificial lighting increases local lighting levels and has the potential to impacting biodiversity and the amenity of nearby residential receptors. Any external lighting should be properly designed and installed to avoid any adverse impacts on residential neighbours from obtrusive or spillover light, or glare.</p> <p>NET ZERO In an application of this nature, it is expected that consideration would be given to the best available technologies to support the governments net zero targets, such as the use of</p>		

renewable energies and the recycling of waste-water and materials used in the vehicle washing process.

Recommendations

CLC1 Submission of a Phase 1 Preliminary Risk Assessment Report - Condition

Groundworks shall not commence until actual or potential land contamination at the site has been investigated and a Preliminary Risk Assessment (Phase I Desk Study Report) by a suitably competent person has been 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

CLC2 Submission of a Phase 2 Intrusive Site Investigation Report - Condition

Where further intrusive investigation is recommended in the Preliminary Risk Assessment approved pursuant to condition (CLC1), groundworks (other than those required for a site investigation report) shall not commence until a Phase II Intrusive Site Investigation Report by a suitably competent person has been 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

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.

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.

NC8 Noise Report required for proposed noise generating use close to existing noise sensitive premises - Condition

Before construction work commences, a noise assessment report by a suitably competent person shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The report shall include:

- a) an assessment of all noise emissions from the proposed development
- b) details of existing background and predicted future noise levels at the boundaries of noise sensitive premises on Wellington Road and Nelson Street.
- c) a written scheme of how the occupants of the above-mentioned noise sensitive premises will be protected from noise from the proposed development including details of all necessary noise attenuation.

The development shall not be brought into use until all works comprised within the measures specified in the approved report have been carried out in full and such measures shall be thereafter retained.

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.

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.

Pollution Prevention - Drainage

Groundworks shall not commence until the applicant has submitted a schedule of works for approval by the Local Planning Authority that clearly demonstrates how stored chemicals, effluent, and wastewaters shall not pollute the land or nearby surface water, or surface water collection system.

- The applicant must demonstrate how the operation of the car wash does not present any risk of contamination to any watercourse, underground water or drinking water supply.

The works shall then be carried out in accordance with the approved schedule of works.

The Local Planning Authority may wish to consult with the Environment Agency regarding the potential for surface water pollution.

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:

- a) The proposed hours of operation of the lighting
- b) The location of all 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 (i.e. E0 to E4).

