**Consultation Response from: KC Environmental Health (Pollution & Noise Control)**

**2026/90951 - Well Pharmacy, 63, Market Street, Milnsbridge, Huddersfield, HD3 4HZ**

**Discharge of details reserved by condition 5 (noise) on previous permission 2025/91398 for erection of extension and alterations to form 3 apartments (within a Conservation Area)**

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| Wednesday, 06 May 2026 | HK | WK/202612127 |

Thank you for consulting Environmental Health on the above discharge of condition application.

## Comments

Our comments relate to the following:

5. Before the development is brought into use written evidence to demonstrate that the airborne sound insulation performance of the party floors/walls/ceiling of the development is of a minimum of 53dB 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.

The applicant has submitted an Acoustic Design Advice Report, Ref: ADA-12509-26-12875-v1, dated 1st April 2026, prepared by Environmental Noise Solutions Ltd (ENS).

The submitted Acoustic Design Advice Report provides advice to enable the applicant to theoretically achieve the airborne sound insulation performance of 53dB DnTw + Ctr, providing a variety of options for the applicant to select that should achieve the required sound reductions. The report also details how the applicant can achieve the sound insulation requirements of Approved Document E detailing the floors, walls, junctions detailing to prevent flanking transmission and where service penetrations are required, and doors.

However, no further information has been supplied by the applicant. The condition requires (before the development is brought into use), written evidence to demonstrate that the airborne sound insulation performance of the party floors/walls/ceiling of the development is of a minimum of 53dB DnTw + Ctr shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. This has not been supplied.

It is therefore not clear whether the airborne sound insulation performance has been achieved.

To further clarify, the submitted Acoustic Design Advice Report advises the applicant how they can increase the sound insulation performance of the building to meet the required condition. The condition then requires the applicant to undertake the necessary construction work - incorporating the sound insulation measures, and then the condition requires that the applicant supply written evidence to demonstrate that the airborne sound insulation performance of the party floors/walls/ceiling of the development is of a minimum of 53dB DnTw + Ctr – this element of the condition remains outstanding.

It is a requirement of Approved Document E that sound insulation testing is provided to Building Control to demonstrate compliance with Approved Document E – this would provide the written evidence (as required by condition 5). Submitting the Acoustic Design Advice Report does not demonstrate that the buildings sound insulation performance meets the required standard. The construction work will need to be undertaken, and sound insulation testing performed to provide the necessary written evidence that the buildings sound insulation is sufficient to meet the minimum airborne sound insulation performance of 53dB DnTw + Ctr.

Further evidence is required.

## Recommendation

The submitted report advises the applicant how to meet the condition. Once the works are complete, sound insulation testing is required to demonstrate compliance with the condition. The applicant must submit the results of the sound insulation testing to demonstrate that the buildings sound insulation performance meets the required standard.

The condition must remain until such time the written evidence has been supplied and approved by the Local Authority.