

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

2024/91316 Clough House, 236, Leeds Road, Birstall, Batley, WF17 0HW

Conversion of existing dwelling and outbuilding to create 6 apartments and erection of 17 dwellings

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We have reviewed the application and supporting information and make the following comments and recommendations.

Contaminated Land

The proposed development site is shown as being potentially contaminated from its former use (our site reference 142/2, 63/2). The site is also located close to an historic landfill site that may have an adverse impact on the proposed development, therefore, we recommend conditions relating to contaminated land.

Noise

The proposed development is near to the A643 Leeds Road and an existing industrial park, noise from which is likely to have an adverse impact on future occupiers of the site. Therefore, we recommend a condition requiring a noise impact assessment. The assessment should determine the existing noise climate taking all likely noise sources into consideration and then detail how this will affect the proposed development. It should also detail any noise mitigation measures that will be required so that satisfactory sound levels will be achieved both indoors and at any outdoor amenity areas at the development. If windows need to be kept closed to achieve satisfactory indoor sound levels, then the mitigation measures will also need to include specific details of the alternative ventilation that will be provided as a substitute to opening windows.

Loss of amenity caused by the construction of the development

Because of the scale of the development and the proximity of residential properties to the site boundary there is a significant potential for loss of amenity to the occupiers of nearby properties from noise, vibration, dust and artificial light from the construction phase of the development. Therefore, we recommend a condition requiring a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP).

Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCPs)

In an application of this nature, 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 *Air Quality & Emissions Technical Planning Guidance* from the West Yorkshire Low Emissions Strategy Group. An advisory relating to charging points is therefore necessary.

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). If 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. 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.

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

The report shall:

- Determine the existing noise climate
 - Predict the noise climate in living rooms and gardens (daytime), bedrooms (night-time) and other habitable rooms of the development
 - 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.

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.

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
- 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 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 Bank/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 2.2 2024.

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.

EVF1 Electric Vehicle Charging Points – Advisory Footnote

- 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.
- 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.
- To futureproof the development, we would encourage the applicant to provide these in accordance with the current Air Quality & Emissions Technical Planning Guidance from the West Yorkshire Low Emissions Strategy (WYLES) Group

