

**TO: DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT- PLANNING AND
TRANSPORTATION**
**FROM: ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND TRADING
STANDARDS**



APPLICATION DETAILS

269814 / 183891

Land at 2 4 6 8 10 and 14 Eign Mill Road, Hereford, HR1 2RS

Susannah Burrage, Environmental Health Officer

I have received the above application on which I would be grateful for your advice.

The application form and plans for the above development can be viewed on the Internet within 5-7 working days using the following link: <http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk>

I would be grateful for your advice in respect of the following specific matters: -

<input type="checkbox"/>	Air Quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	Minerals and Waste
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contaminated Land	<input type="checkbox"/>	Petroleum/Explosives
<input type="checkbox"/>	Landfill	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gypsies and Travellers
<input type="checkbox"/>	Noise	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lighting
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other nuisances	<input type="checkbox"/>	Anti Social Behaviour
<input type="checkbox"/>	Licensing Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Supply
<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial Pollution	<input type="checkbox"/>	Foul Drainage
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Please can you respond by ..

Comments

In response to my earlier consultation response the applicant has now supplied a Noise Assessment. There is a discussion regarding the ProPG guidance but I still cannot really see that good acoustic design has been followed with the enhanced concentration of housing now raised to two stories on this site. Noise mitigation depends on enhanced glazing and keeping the windows shut in all the railway facing bedrooms for noise mitigation purposes. Having said the above, peak railway noise above LA_{max} levels was only measured 3 times overnight and railway traffic noise levels will have raised the LA_{eq} for daytime noise.

The proposed bungalow to the south of the site is the most vulnerable to road traffic noise from Eign Road. Average daytime noise levels measured give a reading of 64dB and 58dB at night. The report recommends an acoustic fence to the west and southern boundaries of this property which would reduce noise levels by approximately 10dB and enhanced glazing and acoustic ventilation for the rooms overlooking Eign road. Noise levels in the amenity area (ie garden) are likely to be above the desirable standard of 50dB although less than the upper guideline value for noisy environments. Internal noise levels will be just above the desirable standard of 30dB in bedrooms.

The report recommends that bedrooms overlooking the railway have enhanced glazing with acoustic ventilation to protect the occupants from railway noise levels and similar with the windows to the bungalow. Given the scale, nature and location of the site and the character of railway noise our department is minded not to object to this proposal provided that the noise mitigation measures outlined in paras 4.4, 4.5, 4.6 and 4.9 of the Noise Assessment report are completed.

Susannah Burrage
30th May 2019