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DM/25/2634

## Consultee comments

Dear Sir/Madam,

A consultee has commented on a Planning Application. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 07/11/2025 1:57 PM from Oliver Benson on behalf of Contaminated Land.

### Application Summary

Reference:	DM/25/2634
Address:	Land Adjacent To Batchelors Farmhouse Keymer Road Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0BQ
Proposal:	Outline Planning Application with all matters reserved (except the means of access from the public highway) for residential development and the construction of up to 26 dwellings, with vehicular accesses, and new footpath links to Keymer Road, the provision of new landscape amenity space, areas of ecological enhancements, together with associated Highways, Drainage and Utilities works associated with the proposed development.
Case Officer:	Martin Dale

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### Comments Details

Comments:	<p>I have reviewed the document titled Environmental Noise Impact Assessment, prepared Temple Group Ltd, dated 24 February 2025 (Version 4.0). The report provides a assessment of the acoustic environment at the proposed development site and evaluates its suitability for residential use.</p> <p>The findings indicate that the majority of the site is subject to low or negligible levels of environmental noise, with predicted internal and external levels generally compliant with BS8233:2014 and WHO guidelines. This supports the conclusion that the site is acoustically suitable for residential development in principle.</p>
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While the report references the ProPG guidance and outlines mitigation strategies, it does not include a formal Acoustic Design Statement. Such a statement should be submitted at the detailed design stage, demonstrating how the principles of good acoustic design have been applied in descending order of the hierarchy.

The report acknowledges that some facades closest to Keymer Road may not achieve internal noise targets with windows open. If possible, this should be avoided, but if overheating will have to be considered, to prevent residents having to make choice between opening windows to remain cool, but accepting high noise levels, or overheating.

On this basis, I would recommend a condition be attached required and Acoustic Design Statement be submitted at the detailed design stage.

Additionally Given the proximity of nearby existing residents to the application site, there is a concern with regards to the impact of the construction work which will produce a certain level of noise and dust. Conditions are therefore recommended in order to try and minimise the impact as far as reasonably practicable.

1. No development shall commence until a scheme that addresses the issues of acoustics, ventilation and overheating (AVO) has been submitted to and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Good acoustic design shall be fully integrated into the scheme. The hierarchy of good acoustic design (GAD) shall be applied in descending order and the methods utilised shall be clearly outlined in an Acoustic Design Statement (ADS).

The scheme shall a) outline the level of noise exposure for each property and how the noise level within any domestic living room or bedroom, with windows open for normal ventilation, shall comply with the desirable internal noise levels as outlined in Table 2.1 of BS8233:2014 and b) outline how the noise level within any domestic bedroom, with windows open, shall not normally exceed 42 dB(A) LAFmax between 23:00 and 07:00, in line with WHO NNGL 2007.

Where the standards in (a) or (b) above cannot be achieved following GAD and with windows open, only then shall the scheme show how those standards will be met with windows closed and how adequate ventilation and cooling will be provided.

and unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority,

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Where windows must remain closed to achieve acceptable internal noise levels, an overheating assessment must be undertaken with accordance with CIBSE. The cooling hierarchy shall be applied to the scheme.

The methods integrated into the design to prevent overheating shall be fully outlined in the AVO scheme and no dwelling hereby permitted shall be occupied until the approved scheme has been implemented in full for that dwelling.

If as a last resort mechanical ventilation is to be used, it must be demonstrated that it still complies with internal noise levels while providing sufficient ventilation.

Any amendments to the scheme or alterations to it must be agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority in advance.

All acoustic reports submitted in relation to the scheme shall include characterisation of uncertainty and shall demonstrate the adoption of good practice to minimise uncertainty.

2. Construction hours: Works of construction or demolition, including the use of plant and machinery, necessary for implementation of this consent shall be limited to the following times:

- Monday to Friday: 08:00 - 18:00 Hours
- Saturday: 09:00 - 13:00 Hours
- Sundays and Bank/Public Holidays: no work permitted

Reason: to protect the amenity of local residents.

3. Deliveries: Deliveries or collection of plant, equipment or materials for use during the demolition/construction phase shall be limited to the following times:

- Monday to Friday: 08:00 - 18:00 hrs
- Saturday: 09:00 - 13:00 hrs
- Sundays and Bank/Public Holidays: None permitted

Reason: To protect the amenity of local residents

4. No burning materials: No burning of demolition/construction waste materials shall take place on site.

Reason: to protect the amenity of local residents from smoke, ash, odour and fume.

5. Construction Environmental Management Plan: Prior to the commencement of the development a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Construction Environmental Management Plan shall include amongst other

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- measures to monitor and control noise and vibration affecting nearby residents (in accordance with BS5228:2014 Code of practice for noise and vibration control on construction and open sites - with particular regard to the noisiest activities, typically piling, earthmoving, concreting, vibrational rollers and concrete breaking);
- dust management plan – monitoring and control in accordance with industry best practice
- control of artificial illumination
- complaints procedure and site contact details in case of complaints from nearby residents.

The construction works shall thereafter be carried out at all times in accordance with the approved Construction Environmental Management Plan, unless any variations are otherwise first submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: to protect the amenity of local residents from noise and dust emissions during construction.

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Kind regards