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From: Matthew Phillips
Sent: 05 January 2016 13:59
To: planning_admin
Subject: FW: Grosvenor Road, Wrexham - P/2015/0899 and P/2015/0900

Public protection response

From: Nick Minshall
Sent: 05 January 2016 13:50
To: Matthew Phillips
Subject: RE: Grosvenor Road, Wrexham - P/2015/0899 and P/2015/0900

Hello Matthew

Thank you for your email, the contents of which I note.

The EP Section is not in a position to object to the proposal. The fact that external areas are likely to be exposed to noise levels approaching the WHO upper limit is ultimately a matter for Planning to consider.

Regards Nick

From: Matthew Phillips
Sent: 05 January 2016 13:18
To: Nick Minshall
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Nick,

Please see below.

From: Montpellier Estates [<mailto:mail@montpelierestates.me.uk>]
Sent: 04 January 2016 16:41
To: Matthew Phillips
Subject: Grosvenor Road, Wrexham - P/2015/0899 and P/2015/0900

Dear Mr Phillips,

Further to the second paragraph of your letter of 22nd December we are happy to substitute the close boarded fence with a brick boundary wall.

In response to your third paragraph our acoustic consultant has reported as follows:

"The level of 53dBA within areas marked as garden is only 3dBA above the 50dBA lower limit outlined in WHO Guidelines 'Community and Noise' 1999. A 3dBA increase in noise level can be considered as the 'just noticeable change' in noise level to someone with good hearing.

BS8233:2014 states that it is desirable that the external noise level in external amenity areas (such as gardens or patios) does not exceed 50dB L_{Aeq,T} and 55dB L_{Aeq,T} should be regarded as the upper limit which would be acceptable in noisier environments. This is in line with recommendations given in the WHO Guidelines for Community Noise. However, BS8233:2014 recognises that these guideline values are not achievable in all circumstances where development might be desirable e.g. in city centres, urban environments adjoining the strategic transport network. It states that:

A compromise between elevated noise levels and other factors such as the convenience of living in these locations or making efficient use of land resources to ensure development needs can be met, might be warranted. In such a situation, development should be designed to achieve the lowest practicable levels in these external amenity areas, but should not be prohibited.

Best regards,

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Kind regards.

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