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Subject: RE: PL/2026/02226 Aldi Trowbridge

Hi Nina

Thanks for your email. I have answered the resident's queries below and summarised at the end.

I hope this helps.

Thanks

Susie

Q1. Whether all equipment identified at Point N has been included within the Noise Impact Assessment.

A. The noise assessment has been undertaken in relation to replacement plant at the existing store and indicates that the existing plant is being replaced. Section 1.1 states that the assessment relates to "proposed **replacement** plant serving an existing Aldi store", and Section 2.2 advises that the external plant will comprise two refrigeration packs, one gas cooler and four air source heat pumps (ASHPs). The refrigeration plant is proposed within the roof plant area, with the heating plant located in the south-east plant area. The assessment also states that **cumulative** plant noise emissions from the proposed plant have been assessed at the nearest sensitive receptors

However, there is no absolute confirmation detailing if all, or some of the plant is being replaced.

retaining walls. Based on the information submitted, I do not consider that any additional acoustic mitigation specifically for 4 Bradley Road is proposed beyond the mitigation measures already incorporated into the assessment

Q4. Whether the assessment assumes the retention of all existing walls and structures that currently provide screening to my property.

A. *As above, Appendix E states that retaining walls provide acoustic screening and assumes they will remain in place.*

Q5. If there are M&E drawings, specifications or supporting documents relating to the upgraded plant equipment, I would respectfully request that these documents are placed on the public planning file so that neighbouring residents can fully understand the nature of the equipment proposed and satisfy themselves that all potential impacts have been properly assessed.

A. *It is not always necessary for detailed drawings or manufacturer specifications to be submitted in support of a noise assessment. The acoustic report provides noise rating levels, predicted noise emissions and details of the mitigation measures relied upon in the assessment, which I consider sufficient for Public Protection to assess the potential noise impact of the proposed plant.*

Summary

The acoustic assessment provides predicted noise levels together with the assumptions regarding screening and mitigation. On the basis of the information submitted, I am satisfied that the proposed plant is predicted to comply with the recommended noise criteria and is unlikely to give rise to an adverse noise impact at Receptor R4 (4 Bradley Road).

For completeness, it may be helpful for the applicant or their acoustic consultant to confirm whether all existing plant is being replaced and whether the assessment includes any equipment that will remain operational following the proposed works. This may assist in addressing the resident's concerns regarding the scope of the assessment.

Many thanks

Susie

