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**From:** Amanda Scholes on behalf of Planning.Responses  
**Sent:** 06 September 2017 08:36  
**To:** Planning Scanning  
**Subject:** FW: FG/108/17/DOC - Condition 4 Internal Noise levels - 1 Bennett Gardens, Ferring

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**From:** Anita Gardner  
**Sent:** 05 September 2017 14:06  
**To:** Planning.Responses  
**Subject:** FW: FG/108/17/DOC - Condition 4 Internal Noise levels - 1 Bennett Gardens, Ferring

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**From:** Carol Reynolds  
**Sent:** 05 September 2017 13:49

**Subject:** FW: FG/108/17/DOC - Condition 4 Internal Noise levels - 1 Bennett Gardens, Ferring

Dear David,

I note that we are still within that two week period during which you hoped to get back to Anita, as below. Here you aimed to improve the 'acoustic score' to support Application for Discharge of Condition 4 in this case. I visited Greenside, 31 August 2017, both in order to determine the layout of blocks of flats/windows at Plot 1-4 and 34-36 as referenced by Sound Advice Acoustics Ltd, Acoustic Reports SA -5031 (1st to 4th July 2017) and SA - 4993 (24<sup>th</sup> to 27th June 2017) and to investigate complaint of light nuisance (already resolved). It was a matter of some concern that this refusal to discharge the above condition, (my response to Planning 18<sup>th</sup> August) to enable occupation of these premises, was unknown to James Hyland, Production Manager or to Ben Golding, Assistant Site Manager. In fact representatives from a Housing Agency were that morning on site to discuss allocation of social housing.

I write to confirm detail of our conversation, 24<sup>th</sup> August 2017, when I advised that the average sound level of those 2 rooms tested accords with the requirements of BS8233:2014, but not in respect of impact noise. The above reports clearly demonstrate the unacceptably high frequency of noise events affecting these rooms, defined as greater than 12 events of, or above 45dB<sub>LAF</sub>Max during the night time period 23:00 to 07:00hrs. This was on Saturday night 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> July 2017 (15 events) at Plot 4 and on each night, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (22 events); Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (20 events) and Monday 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> June 2017 (924 events) tested at Plot 40 (NB variance in house numbering).

You will be aware that the provision of a suitable acoustic environment has been paramount in negotiations with this Department in respect of this development. This was a primary reason for original refusal for grant of permission. I refer you to comment by our officer, Fiona Fitzgerald to Peter Cleveland 16 May 2014 (see EH

Consultation 19 May 2017, p 2 of Application no FG/44/14/PL ) wherein she raised concern that there were a number of positions on the site where external amenity areas would fail to achieve levels for Community Noise as recommended by the World Health Organisation. I believe that you stated that this was a matter that had not been raised for attention. Furthermore, Mrs Fitzgerald stated that properties which faced the A259 would only achieve an acceptable level of internal noise if forced air ventilation was provided. This was notwithstanding the provision of suitable double glazing and treatments to walls, roofs, etc., designed to improve acoustic attenuation. It would appear that mitigation methods provided to deal with the problem of excessive internal noise have proved insufficient. I also note from the original drawing, what would appear to be a detail for either a 1.8 or 2.5 m close boarded acoustic fence to be provided along the entire extent of the site facing the A259, wrapping round the perimeter west and east of this to some extent. Also extra acoustic fencing to gardens. On site, 31 August, then the only such fencing in evidence was that to the direct amenity areas themselves. I do realise that the site is as yet unfinished but acoustic fencing should assist the acoustic environment of those habitable rooms, including bedrooms, provided to the downstairs of these blocks of flats. This will obviously, not benefit first floor accommodation.

I look forward to hearing from you as quickly as possible with a way forward in this case. Further acoustic tests should be carried out of downstairs bedrooms and external amenity space to demonstrate that the given noise criteria are suitably achieved.

Kind regards

Carol

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**From:** David Linton-Clowes - TW Southern Counties [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 24 August 2017 14:10  
**To:** Anita Gardner  
**Cc:** Carol Reynolds  
**Subject:** RE: FG/108/17/DOC - Condition 4 Internal Noise levels - 1 Bennett Gardens, Ferring

Anita,

I have now spoken with Carol regarding this issue and believe I can get back to you within the next two weeks with a response of how we will improve the acoustic score to go along with the previously sent reports so please can you not decline the application just yet.

Kind regards

David

David Linton-Clowes | Design and Planning Executive | Taylor Wimpey Southern Counties

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**From:** Anita Gardner [<mailto:Anita.Gardner@arun.gov.uk>]  
**Sent:** 24 August 2017 11:54  
**To:** David Linton-Clowes - TW Southern Counties [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: FG/108/17/DOC - Condition 4 Internal Noise levels - 1 Bennett Gardens, Ferring

David,

I have spoken with the environmental health and she has explained her concerns to me. We will not override her comments and the DOC will be refused on the basis of the submitted information. If you wish to discuss her comments with her she is available for the next hour on [REDACTED]

Regards

Anita

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**From:**

David Linton-Clowes - TW Southern Counties [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 24 August 2017 10:36

**To:** Anita Gardner

**Subject:** RE: FG/108/17/DOC - Condition 4 Internal Noise levels - 1 Bennett Gardens, Ferring

Anita,

I am somewhat surprised and confused by this!

The condition states links to the original report produced by Sound Advice who also carried out the testing.

The report states an average score over the daytime and night time.

The fact that a high recording was taken during the night in what you must assume was a siren going down the A259 cannot be reason enough to not pass the plots recorded.

Let alone the fact that it goes directly against the wording of the report that the condition was linked to.

As far as I am concerned I have acoustic reports stating a Pass to the standards that were set out in the report again linked to the condition.

I hope that you override these comments on this basis.

I am happy for you to amend the address on the application accordingly.

Kind regards

David

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**From:** Anita Gardner [<mailto:Anita.Gardner@arun.gov.uk>]

**Sent:** 23 August 2017 13:11

**To:** David Linton-Clowes - TW Southern Counties [REDACTED]

**Subject:** FG/108/17/DOC - Condition 4 Internal Noise levels - 1 Bennett Gardens, Ferring

Dear David,

The environmental health officer has recommended that condition 4 is not discharged. Her comments are as follows:

'Refuse application for discharge of Condition 4 in respect of post validation testing to determine compliance with the requirements of BS8233:2014. Those Acoustic Reports provided by Sound Advice Acoustics Ltd, Ref SA -5031 in respect of Plot 1-4 (1st to 4th July 2017) and SA - 4993 in respect of Plot 37 - 40 (24<sup>th</sup> to 27th June 2017) clearly demonstrate an unacceptably high incidence of peak noise, defined as 45dBLAFMax, within first floor bedrooms during night time hours. This is despite investigations having taken place predominantly over the week end, when traffic flow might be expected to be less. Please provide detail of those further mitigation measures which will be provided to achieve the required standard. Any further post completion validation testing to be carried out on at least 2 days within that period Monday to Friday.

I would therefore be grateful if you can advise how long additional information will take to be supplied to address these concerns. If it is likely to be more than 2 weeks the application will be refused and a revised application will need to be submitted for consideration.

Further I believe the address of the application is incorrect. It relates to one dwelling when the application description and form refer to blocks 1-4 and 37-40. I therefore seek your agreement to amend the address accordingly.

Regards  
Anita Gardner

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