

Rawlings, Sam

Subject: FW: Romsey Avenue field appeal 3271412

Tim,

My greatest apologies for being a pain in the backside, but as you'll see below, it has been suggested I contact you directly by FBC.

Apart from my concerns regarding the noise report, I was also interested in the proposed new access point to the farm field immediately to the west of the proposed development. As you can see, FBC don't seem to know the proposed access route????

Presumably, the appeal should consider all the possible impacts of granting permission for development and I see a new access route for the farm vehicles as an impact. Should any proposed routes have been assessed for suitability of use by large farm vehicles such as combine harvesters? The obvious route to me would be via Condor Avenue and the Peregrines but have the local residents been advised of this? Should they have been?

Sorry once again and thanks for being a sounding board.

Kindest Regards

Daren

Richard,

I have been following the appeal on the Teams meeting, and it's been driving me up the wall!!!!

I have looked on the fareham.gov site for the appeal and am prevented from adding any comments.

Following the appellant's acoustic expert's testimony, I have reviewed the SB2-Noise Technical note that was published on 17.07.21. I am no expert but since it was a desktop study, there can not have been any consideration of wind speed and direction in estimating the noise levels. According to a source I found online, the noise level can be reduced by 20dB when a strong wind is blowing from the detector to the source, but only a few dB increase when the wind is blowing toward the detector from the source.

The results detailed in the TN would be very favourable for the appellant if the detector was upwind of the source!

Also the report incorrectly assumed that all activities cease as 23:00 (which coincidentally is the WHO definition of end of 'day' and start of 'night') but we now know that the activities can carry on until midnight. Since the SB2 TN also refers to the WHO guidelines, I think it is important to point out that for night time, the recommendation is less than 40dB. WHO state that "there were observed adverse health effects starting from 40dB L_{night}"

In my opinion, additional tests must be carried out at night, after 11pm, when a social event is in progress at the AFCP clubhouse. Ideally, the wind should be in a North Easterly direction but the wind speed and direction must be included in the test.

One other question for you, what will be the planned access route for farm vehicles to get onto the field at the western side of the proposed development? If it is via condor avenue, has the route been assessed for suitability and have the residents any idea that these vehicles could soon be going passed their front doors?

My biggest concern regarding this inquiry is that it is not just the future of the one field that is at the hand of the decision but all three fields. I can't see the two smaller fields being financially viable on their own, especially with a two mile trip between the two.

Not sure if there is anything that you can do with my thoughts but thank you for being an outlet for them.

Kindest Regards

