Consultee Comments for Planning Application EIA/2019/0002/SCOPE

Application Summary

Application Number: EIA/2019/0002/SCOPE

Address: Land To West Of Lingley Mere Business Park Lingley Green Avenue Warrington WA5

3UZ

Proposal: EIA Scoping Request - Omega Zone 8.

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Comments

A formal request has been received by Environmental Health (Noise) to provide a Scoping Opinion based upon information submitted in the accompanying documentation dated October 2019 completed by WSP on behalf of Miller Developments. The report proposes the scope of an EIA to be submitted in support of the development of the Omega Zone 8 development which is an extension of the Omega Business Park site which now crosses the St Helens borough boundary. The development will consist of 3 6 units of B2 and B8 classification and will be submitted in the form of a hybrid application. There are residential properties located to the South and West of the proposed site at various distances from the proposed use. Due to the proximity to the M62 motorway the dominant noise source prevalent at the proposed development site is most likely to be road traffic noise.

A decision to scope in noise as an area for consideration in the EIA has been proposed by the applicant and this decision is supported by Environmental Health. In response to the above submission I have the following comments;

The assessment of noise both in the construction and operational phase should be scoped into any EIA submission submitted in support of this proposal.

The proposed scope of the EIA covers the areas of noise assessment that I would expect to see addressed by such a proposal. The documentation submitted by WSP identifies that there are sensitive receptors within 500m of the proposed area of study and the potential impacts of both the construction and operational phases will be assessed in these locations. The report focusses primarily on the operations assessment of noise but noise (and vibration) associated by the construction phase should be fully addressed in any EIA submission. A CEMP is being proposed

within the documentation to address the potential impacts of the construction phase.

The submission covers the relevant standards and guidelines I would expect to see included within the EIA supporting documentation. Some baseline monitoring has already been undertaken to inform the scoping opinion at 4 locations around the site. The locations are representative of the nearest residential dwellings to the proposed development. This data should be used to undertake calculations/modelling to determine the impact of the and should be provided in a which accompanies any future submission.

From the information submitted in the noise chapter Environmental Health (Noise) are satisfied with the initial scoping, the guidance to be adopted to carry out assessment and the proposed methodology by which the assessment of construction and operational noise will be carried out for this scheme. The cumulative impact of the operational phase has not been mentioned in any detail but should be covered in and EIA supporting documentation.

I would suggest the organisation responsible for carrying out the noise/vibration assessment in support of the proposal get in touch with the Environmental Health section to agree the specifics of the methodology and noise assessment prior to additional baseline assessment being undertaken.