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CONSTRUCTION ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR A STUDENT ACCOMMODATION DEVELOPMENT

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) has been prepared by AWN Consulting (AWN) on behalf of Orchid Residential Limited, for a proposed student development on a site located on lands at Goatstown Road, Goatstown, Dublin 14.

The proposals consist of demolition of the existing structures on site and construction of a purpose-built student accommodation scheme (PBSA) comprising approximately 220 no. bed spaces, indoor and outdoor student amenity space and site wide landscaping.

This CEMP explains the construction techniques and methodologies which will be implemented during construction of the proposed development.

The CEMP mitigation measures will be implemented to ensure that pollution and nuisances arising from site clearance and construction activities is prevented where possible and managed in accordance with best practice environmental protection.

The CEMP will be implemented and adhered to by the construction Contractor and will be overseen and updated as required if site conditions change by the Project Manager, Environmental Manager and Ecological Clerk of Works where relevant. All personnel working on the site will be trained in the implementation of the procedures.

The construction Contractor will provide a further detailed CEMP to include any subsequent planning conditions relevant to the proposed development and set out further detail of the overarching vision of how the construction Contractor of the proposed development manage the site in a safe and organised manner.

This CEMP has been prepared to account for activities at the site during the excavation and renovation/construction phases of the project.

The main issues that have been considered within this document are as follows;

- Description of works;
- Construction programme and phasing;
- Site logistics;
- Workforce;
- Public relations and community liaison;
- Construction traffic and access; and
- Safety, health and environmental management.

2.0 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

The development will consist of demolition of the existing building (c.960sqm) and hard surface parking area on site and construction of a purpose built student accommodation development (including use as tourist or visitor accommodation outside the academic term) comprising:

- 220 no. student bedspaces (including 10 no. studios), all within a part single storey, part 4 no. storey and part 6 no. storey 'U'-Shaped building;
- The building is single to 4 no. storeys along the southern boundary, part 5 and 6 storeys along Goatstown Road and northern boundary (with setbacks) and roof terraces at fourth and fifth floor levels fronting onto Goatstown Road;

- Amenity space equating to c. 1,785 sqm is provided across the site consisting of c. 1,247 sqm of external amenity in the form of a central courtyard at ground level and roof terraces at 4th and 5th floor levels;
- Internal amenity space equating to c. 538 sqm is provided in the form of 2 no. ground floor lounge/study areas, kitchen/tearoom, laundry, and concierge/office space;
- Provision of 218 no. bicycle parking spaces distributed across the central courtyard and northern boundary and adjacent to the front boundary of the site (north-west);
- Provision for 6 no. carparking spaces comprising 2 no. disabled parking spaces and 4 no. setdown parking spaces adjacent to the front entrance to the site;
- Vehicular access to the site is via Goatstown Road from 2 no. entrance points [reduction from 3 no. entrances currently];
- Ancillary single storey ESB substation and switch room and refuse store are provided at ground level;
- Provision of surface water and underground attenuation and all ancillary site development works including site wide landscaping works, lighting, planting and boundary treatments.





3.0 CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME AND PHASING

The construction works associated with the development will be undertaken in 1 phase. With the development being completed over an 18-month period, between 2024 -2026, development will consist of the following principal elements:

3.1 Demolition Phase

The existing structures on site will be demolished as an enabling works contract prior to the construction of the proposed development. As the existing building was constructed and in use over a period when asbestos was widely used in buildings, a detailed asbestos survey will be carried prior to the commencement of demolition works.

The demolition shall be in full compliance with BS 6187 "Demolition in Buildings" and all measures necessary will be taken to protect the adjoining buildings from damage and persons from injury. Prior to the demolition works a Resource Waste Management Plan in accordance with The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) of Ireland issued guildines the 'Best Practice Guidelines for the Preparation of Resource & Waste Management Plans for Construction & Demolition Projects' (2021) will be prepared/updated by the appointed Demolition Contractor. The RWMP Plan will be updated and prepared by the appointed demolition contractor to include any subsequent planning conditions.

The demolition will commence with the removal of any hazardous materials by an appropriately qualified contractor for disposal at an appropriate licensed waste collection facility. All non-structural items will then be removed segregated for re-use or re-cycling where possible. The remainder of the building structure will be removed in an approved sequence outlined in a Method Statement prepared by the Demolition Contractor's Structural Engineer.

3.2 Excavation & Construction Phase

The project excavations will involve excavations for new foundations, site levelling and excavations for roads and services. The Resource Waste Management Plan (RWMP) prepared by AWN Consulting Ltd (247501.0135WMR01) for the development will be updated by the main contractor and will be in compliance with the requirements of the *Best Practice Guidelines for the Preparation of Resource & Waste Management Plans for Construction & Demolition Projects*' published by the Environmental Protection Agency (November 2021)¹, which will identify and categorise any waste arising from the development.

The plan contains the proposals for the minimisation, re-use and re-cycling of site generated waste. As part of this plan separate storage areas will be designated on the site for various types of material in order to maximise the re-use and re-cycling potential. Procedure will also be put in place to ensure that all sub-contractors fulfil the requirements of the Waste Management Plan.

The works will include:

- Site set up, welfare facilities and compound establishment, decommissioning and movement of site compound and facilities as needed.
- Set up of hoarding around compound and the site boundary.
- Erection of safety signage to all areas and implementation of traffic/pedestrian management plan.

4.0 **EXCAVATIONS**

4.1 Archaeological and Architectural Heritage

An archaeological desktop assessment and field inspection of the proposed site area was undertaken by Irish Archaeological Consultancy Ltd. The assessment concluded that no previously unknown features of archaeological potential were identified from the satellite imagery or field inspection.

There are no known archaeological sites within the proposed development boundary and given the lack of archaeological evidence in the surrounding area, it is unlikely that the proposed development will have an impact on any archaeological deposits. Therefore, no mitigation is necessary.

Should archaeological features or material be uncovered during any phase of construction, ground works will cease immediately and the National Monuments Service of the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht should be informed. Time must be allowed for a suitably qualified archaeologist to inspect and assess any material. If it is established that archaeologically significant material is present, the National Monuments Service may require that further archaeological mitigation be undertaken.

4.2 Ground Conditions

Ground works will be required to clear the site and to facilitate construction of and additional basement level, building foundations and utilities. The site investigation report produced by Causeway Geotech provides a summary of the anticipated stratigraphy of the soil beneath the site. It is concluded that the site is underlain mostly by made ground, gravel and boulder clay.

It is not anticipated that the development site works, or excavation works will be deep enough to impact the underlying bedrock geology.

It is has been calculated by the project engineers that c. 3,300m² of topsoil, made ground, gravel & clay will be excavated to facilitate the construction of the proposed ground level other ancillary works. It is envisioned that all excavated material arising on the site will be removed from the site.

In order to assess any materials, which may be excavated during the site works, in terms of waste classification, a selection of 12 no. samples collected were analysed for a suite of parameters which allows for the assessment of the soils in terms of total pollutant content for classification of materials.

Testing was carried out for a range of determinants, including:

- Metals
- Speciated total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH)
- Speciated polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH)
- Cyanides
- Asbestos screen
- pH.

The assessment of soil contaminant concentrations undertaken by WYG Environment are contained in the report submitted with this planning application. The report has identified

no outstanding contaminants present within the soils which are considered to present a potential risk to health when assuming a residential land use.

In the event that contaminated material is found on site, this material will need to be segregated from clean/inert material, tested and classified as either non-hazardous or hazardous in accordance with the EPA publication entitled *Waste Classification: List of Waste & Determining if Waste is Hazardous or Non-Hazardous'*² using the *HazWasteOnline* application (or similar approved classification method). The material will then need to be classified as clean, inert, non-hazardous or hazardous in accordance with the *EC Council Decision 2003/33/EC*³, which establishes the criteria for the acceptance of waste at landfills.

In the event that Asbestos Containing Materials (ACMs) are found, the removal will only be carried out by a suitably permitted waste contractor, in accordance with *S.I. No. 386 of 2006 Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Exposure to Asbestos) Regulations 2006-2010.* All asbestos will be taken to a suitably licensed or permitted facility.

In the event that hazardous soil, or historically deposited waste is encountered during the construction phase, the contractor will notify DLRCC and provide a Hazardous/Contaminated Soil Management Plan, to include estimated tonnages, description of location, any relevant mitigation, destination for disposal/treatment, in addition to information on the authorised waste collector(s).

5.0 SITE LOGISTICS

The contractor shall be responsible for overall management of the site for the duration of the proposed works and will progress their works with reasonable skill, care, diligence and to proactively manage the works in a manner most likely to ensure the safety and welfare of those carrying out construction works.

The contractor will be contractually obliged to comply with all relevant Statutory requirements such as the 2005 Safety Health and Welfare at Work Act, The Construction Regulations (SI 291 of 2013), the General Application Regulations (SI 299 of 2007), etc. (and any amendments thereof).

In addition, the contractor will comply with all the reasonable safety requirements of the Client, the Project Supervisor for the Design Process and the Project Supervisor for the Construction Stage.

5.1 Site Establishment and Security

The first activity to be carried out at the site will be the establishment of site facilities and security. It is anticipated that site establishment works will take approximately four weeks. The site office and welfare facilities will be confirmed in advance of the commencement of site works and agreed with DLRCC. Figure 5.1 shows the proposed locations of the site compound and staff parking.

All of the sub-contractors as well as the main contractor and project managers will occupy offices within the construction compounds. The site parking for all staff, contractors and visitors will also be located in this area. Carpooling and the use of public transport will be encouraged to reduce pressure on parking in the area.



Figure 5.1 Potential site construction compound location (illustrated by the blue box)

5.2 Consents and Licenses

All statutory consents and licences required to commence on-site construction activities will be obtained ahead of works commencing, allowing for the appropriate notice period. These will include, but are not limited to:

- Site notices;
- Construction commencement notices; and
- Licence to connect to existing utilities and mains sewers, where required.

5.3 Services and Utilities

Welfare facilities (canteens, toilets etc.) will be available within the construction compound and this will remain in place for the construction of the proposed development. The offices and site amenities will initially need to have their own power supply (generator), water deliveries and foul water collection until connections are made to the mains networks.

Electrical connections will be made by suitably qualified personnel following consultation with the relevant authorities and will be cognisant of subsequent construction works. High voltage connections will be established for heavy duty equipment and site facilities, as required.

The current electricity facilities on the site of the proposed development are supplied by the ESB through a ring network. All electrical works, including connection to the ESB network will be carried out by a suitably qualified contractor.

Water supply required for welfare facilities, dust suppression and general construction activities will be sourced from the existing public piped supplies running into the site.

Although before connections are established to the water supply it may need to be trucked onto site. As with electrical works, this will be carried out by a suitably qualified contractor. It will be necessary to service the site with a reliable and safe water supply.

Site welfare facilities will be established to provide sanitary facilities for construction workers on site. The main contractor will ensure that sufficient facilities are available at all times to accommodate the number of employees on site. Foul water from the offices and welfare facilities on the site will discharge into the existing sewer on site (the cabins may initially need to have the foul water collected by a licensed waste sewerage contractor before connection to the sewer line can be made).

5.4 Material Handling and Storage

Key materials will be ordered by specific order for the project, a 'Just in Time' delivery system will operate to minimise storage of materials, the quantities of which are unknown at this stage.

Where possible it is proposed to source general construction materials from the Dublin area to minimise transportation distances.

Aggregate materials such as sands and gravels will be stored in clearly marked receptacles in the compound area within the site. Liquid materials will be stored within temporary bunded areas, doubled skinned tanks or bunded containers (all bunds will conform to standard bunding specifications – BS EN 1992-3:2006⁴) to prevent spillage.

Construction materials will be brought to site by road. Construction materials will be transported in clean vehicles. Lorries/trucks will be properly enclosed or covered during transportation of friable construction materials and spoil to prevent the escape of material along the public roadway.

The majority of construction waste materials generated will be soil from excavation works. Material will be removed from site regularly to ensure there is minimal need for stockpiling.

5.5 Visitor Management

Visitors will only be allowed to enter the main site compound via the designated pedestrian access gate. A dedicated, secured footpath to the site office is established at the gate for registration and obtaining PPE prior to entering the site. A log will be maintained by security to control access to the site. Visitors will be required to attend a site-specific induction to allow access to the compound and/or construction site unless being accompanied by an inducted member of the site team.

Visitors will then be taken by an inducted member of the construction team to the required area of the site.

5.6 Site Working Hours

Site development and building works will only be carried out between the hours of 0700 to 1900 Mondays to Fridays inclusive and between 0800 and 1400 hours on Saturdays There will be no construction works carried out on Sundays or public holidays. Deviation from

these times will only take place when written approval is granted by DLRCC in exceptional circumstances.

5.7 Employment and Management Workforce

It is estimated that there will initially be 15-30 staff on site on a typical day, however during peak construction periods this is expected to fluctuate up to 60-70 staff and contractors on site per day.

It is anticipated that the key project managers and main contractor representatives will maintain a presence on site for the whole duration of the project and the labour workforce will be determined by the specialist contractors required on site.

All employees working on the site will be required to have a SafePass Card (or similar approved Construction Health & Safety card), manual handling training, CIF COVID 19 training and the necessary certificates to operate machinery as required. The details of training required, records maintained, and induction procedures will be outlined in the Main Contractor's Health and Safety Plan(s).

6.0 CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC AND SITE ACCESS

The proposed construction vehicle routes for the site will require a traffic management plan to be agreed upon with DLRCC and TII prior to site workings beginning. Two-way traffic will be maintained throughout the project. Advanced warning signs will be placed at sufficient distances to taper off the entry and exit points. Pedestrian marshals will be used as and when required. Traffic management will be undertaken for the site works in accordance with the principles outlined below and shall comply at all times with the requirements of:

- Department of Transport Traffic Signs Manual 2010 Chapter 8 Temporary Traffic Measures and Signs for Roadworks ⁵
- Department of Transport Guidance for the Control and Management of Traffic at Road Works (2010) ⁶
- Any additional requirements detailed in Design Manual for Urban Roads & Streets (DMURS)⁷

The contractor shall prepare a detailed traffic management plan for works at that interface with the existing road network and obtain all required road opening licenses from DLRCC.

Access for construction of the development will be via the proposed primary access for the development (i.e. directly from Goatstown Road). This will be the only access for vehicles to the site.

Construction traffic operation would be limited to 0700 to 1900 from Monday to Friday and 0800 to 1400 on Saturday for the off-road construction. These times may vary to facilitate specific site requirements and/or construction activities associated with the site. Any variation will be discussed and agreed in advance with DLRCC.

It should be noted that construction traffic generated during the Construction Phase tends to be outside of peak hours. All construction activities will be agreed with DLRCC's Roads Department prior to the commencement of the Construction Phase.

In general, the impact of the construction period will be temporary in nature. HGV vehicle movements per hour during the busiest period of construction works are estimated at a peak of 3 HGVs per hour arriving and leaving, but the exact figure will be confirmed by the contractor.

Excavated material will be reused as part of the site development works where possible to minimise truck movements to and from the site (e.g. use as non-structural fill under green areas).

Approved traffic mitigation measures requested by DCC and TII will be submitted with the an updated CEMP submitted as part of compliance, prior to the commencement of works.

6.1 Traffic Queueing

Material deliveries and collections from site will be planned, scheduled and staggered to avoid any unnecessary build-up of construction works related traffic.

Deliveries to site shall be booked in advance using a delivery schedule, so as to prevent lorry congestion on the road networks surrounding the site. Alternative safe routeways shall be established for traffic and pedestrians where existing routeways have to be altered, removed or worked on during the project.

6.2 Site Hoarding and Security Fencing

All areas of construction will be fenced / hoarded off to prevent unauthorized access. This fencing shall remain closed at all times during construction works and closed and locked after construction work hours / break times.

This fencing shall be erected in accordance with good practice and the Construction Regulations 2013. Fencing arrangements shall be reviewed as the life of the project progresses.

7.0 SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS DURING CONSTRUCTION WORKS

The appointed main contractor will implement a Construction, Health and Safety Plan during the life of the project which contains Health and Safety measures covering the below items at a minimum:

- Construction Health & Safety training requirements;
- COVID-19 guidelines;
- Induction procedures;
- Emergency protocols; and
- Details of welfare facilities.

7.1 Construction Lighting

Construction work will generally be confined to daylight hours and lightning will generally not be required for the construction phase. There will however be occasions where the provision of portable lighting will be required (works on roadways and power floating floors as examples). Where possible and without jeopardising site safety lights will be pointed down at a 45-degree angle and away from sensitive receptors. The site compound will have external lights for safety and security. These lights will be pointed down at a 45degree angle and away from sensitive receptors where possible.

7.2 Air Quality

This section describes the site policy with regard to dust management and the specific mitigation measures which will be put in place during construction works. The objective of dust control at the site is to ensure that no significant nuisance occurs at nearby sensitive receptors. In order to develop a workable and transparent dust control strategy, the measures set out below have been formulated by drawing on best practice guidance from Ireland, the UK and the US, such as:

- Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government (DOEHLG), *Quarries and Ancillary Activities, Guidelines for Planning Authorities* (2004)⁸;
- US Environment Protection Agency (USEPA), *Compilation of Air Pollutant Emission Factors, AP-42, Fifth Edition* (periodically updated) (1986) ⁹;
- The Scottish Office Development Department, *Planning Advice Note PAN50 Controlling the Environmental Effects Of Surface Mineral Workings Annex B: The Control of Dust at Surface Mineral Workings* (1996) ¹⁰; and
- Institute of Air Quality Management (IAQM), *Guidance on the Assessment of Dust from Demolition and Construction* (2014)¹¹.

7.2.1 DLRCC Requirements

Air Monitoring will be undertaken in line with DLRCC requirements as outlined in the DLRCC Guidance Notes for Environmental Design Management of Construction Projects, which are as follows.

- I. A programme of air quality monitoring shall be put in place at the site boundaries for the duration of excavation and construction activities to ensure that the air quality standards as set out in The Air Quality Standards Regulations 2011 relating to dust deposition and specifically PM10 levels are not exceeded
- II. Measures to ensure that where levels exceed specified air quality limit values, dust generating activities cease and alternative working methods are identified and implemented.
- III. The selection of sampling point locations will be completed after consideration of the requirements of Standard Method VDI 2119 (Measurement of Dustfall, Determination of Dustfall using Bergerhoff Instrument (Standard Method) German Institute) with the location of the samplers relative to obstructions, height above ground and sample collection and analysis procedures. The optimum locations will be determined by a suitably qualified air quality expert to ensure that dust gauge locations are positioned in order to best determine potential dust deposition in the vicinity of site boundaries and existing buildings.
- IV. Technical monitoring reports detailing all measurement results shall be subsequently prepared and maintained on site.

Further dust mitigation measures in line with the DLRCC Guidance Notes for Good Practice Guide for Construction and Demolition Environmental Management (August 2022) can be found in appendix A of the CEMP.

7.2.2 <u>Site Management</u>

The site activities will be undertaken with due consideration of the surrounding environment and the close proximity of sensitive receptors such as residents and pedestrians. Dust management during the construction phase will be the most important aspect in terms of minimising the impacts of the project on the surrounding air quality. The following measures will also be implemented to ensure impacts are minimised:

- Complaint registers will be kept detailing all telephone calls and letters of complaint received in connection with construction activities, together with details of any remedial actions carried out;
- Equipment and vehicles used on site will be in good condition such that emissions from diesel engines etc. are not excessive; and
- Pre-start checks will be carried out on equipment to ensure they are operating efficiently and that emission controls installed as part of the equipment are functional.

Dust deposition levels will be monitored on a regular basis in order to assess the impact that site activities may have on the local ambient air quality. The following procedure will be implemented:

- The dust deposition rate will be measured by positioning Bergerhoff Dust Deposit Gauges at strategic locations near the boundaries of the site for a period of 30 (+/-2) days if required. Monitoring should be conducted as required during periods when the highest levels of dust are expected to be generated i.e., during site preparation works and soil stripping activities.
- The exact locations will be determined after consideration of the requirements of Method VDI 2119 with respect to the location of the samplers relative to obstructions, height above ground and sample collection and analysis procedures.
- After each 30 (+/- 2 days) exposure period, the gauges will be removed from the sampling location, sealed and the dust deposits in each gauge will be determined gravimetrically by an accredited laboratory and expressed as a dust deposition rate in mg/m²/day in accordance with the relevant standards.
- Technical monitoring reports detailing all measurement results, methodologies and assessment of results shall be subsequently prepared and maintained by the Site Manager.

A limit value of 350 mg/m²/day will be used in comparison with recorded values.

7.2.3 <u>Dust Control Measures</u>

The aim is to ensure good site management by avoiding dust becoming airborne at source. This will be done through good design, planning and effective control strategies. The siting of construction activities and the limiting of stockpiling will take note of the location of sensitive receptors and prevailing wind directions in order to minimise the potential for significant dust nuisance. In addition, good site management will include the ability to respond to adverse weather conditions by either restricting operations on-site or using effective control measures quickly before the potential for nuisance occurs.

- During working hours, technical staff will be available to monitor dust levels as appropriate; and
- At all times, the dust management procedures put in place will be strictly monitored and assessed.

The dust minimisation measures will be reviewed at regular intervals during the construction phase to ensure the effectiveness of the procedures in place and to maintain the goal of minimisation of dust generation. In the event of dust nuisance occurring outside the site boundary, site activities will be reviewed, and procedures implemented to rectify the problem. Specific dust control measures to be employed are presented below.

Site Routes

Site access routes (particularly unpaved areas) can be a significant source of fugitive dust from construction sites if control measures are not in place. The most effective means of suppressing dust emissions from unpaved roads is to apply speed restrictions. Studies show that these measures can have a control efficiency ranging from 25% to 80% ¹².

- A speed restriction of 20 km/hr will be applied as an effective control measure for dust for on-site vehicles or delivery vehicles within the vicinity of the site;
- Bowsers will be available during periods of dry weather throughout the construction period. Research shown found that the effect of surface watering is to reduce dust emissions by 50%. The bowser will operate during dry periods to ensure that unpaved areas are kept moist. The required application frequency will vary according to soil type, weather conditions and vehicular use; and
- Any hard surface roads will be swept to remove mud and aggregate materials from their surface while any unsurfaced areas shall be restricted to essential site traffic only.

Excavation

Excavation works during periods of high winds and dry weather conditions can be a significant source of dust.

- During dry and windy periods, and when there is a likelihood of dust nuisance, watering shall be conducted to ensure moisture content of materials being moved is high enough to increase the stability of the soil and thus suppress dust;
- During periods of very high winds (gales), activities likely to generate significant dust emissions should be postponed until the gale has subsided.

The movement of trucks containing materials with a potential for dust generation to an offsite location will be enclosed or covered.

Stockpiling

The location and moisture content of stockpiles are important factors which determine their potential for dust emissions. The following measures will be put in place:

- Overburden material will be protected from exposure to wind by storing the material in sheltered parts of the site, where possible;
- Regular watering will take place during dry/windy periods to ensure the moisture content is high enough to increase the stability of the soil and suppress dust

Site Traffic on Public Roads

Spillage and blow-off of debris, aggregates and fine material onto public roads will be reduced to a minimum by employing the following measures:



Insert 7.1 Example of Proposed wheel cleaning equipment example

- Vehicles delivering material with potential for dust emissions to an off-site location shall be enclosed or covered at all times to restrict the escape of dust;
- Any hard surface site roads will be swept to remove mud and aggregate materials from their surface while any unsurfaced roads shall be restricted to essential site traffic only.
- A power washing facility or wheel cleaning facility will be installed near to the site compound for use by vehicles exiting the site when appropriate, and an example of the washing equipment can be seen in insert 7.1; and
- Road sweepers will be employed to clean the site access route as required.

General

The pro-active control of fugitive dust will ensure that the prevention of significant emissions, rather than an inefficient attempt to control them once they have been released, will contribute towards the satisfactory management of dust by the construction contractor.

7.3 Ecology

The key strategies to be undertaken to minimise impact on the local flora and fauna during site clearing and construction are as follows:

- All site clearance works will comply with current legislative requirements and best practice;
- Taking measures to limit the working area during the construction phase will reduce the impacts of the development on adjacent areas. The construction area will be clearly delimited by the site boundary and machinery should operate only within this allocated site area;
- All re-fuelling of plant, equipment and vehicles will be carried out at the construction site boundary. All fuels, chemicals, liquid and solid waste will be stored in areas bunded in accordance with established best practice guidelines at the construction compound also; and Provision of spill kits;
- Provision of a water and sediment management plan, providing for means to ensure that surface water run-off is controlled such that no silt or other pollutants enter local water courses or drains; and
- The measures outlined in Section 7.6 will ensure that silt run-off and potential flooding risks are minimised which will protect any ecological receptors associated with the site.
- Construction lighting will be designed so as to be sensitive to the potential presence of bats and should adhere to the following guidance:
 - Bats & Lighting: Guidance Notes for Planners, engineers, architects and developers (Bat Conservation Trust, 2010)¹³;

- Guidance Notes for the Reduction of Obtrusive Light GN01 (Institute of Lighting Professionals, 2011)¹⁴;
- Bats and Artificial Lighting in the UK Bats and the Built Environment Series.
 Guidance Note 08/18 (Bat Conservation Trust UK, 2018) ¹⁵.

General Construction Measures

- The Site manager shall ensure that all personnel working onsite are trained and aware of the mitigation measures detailed within the CEMP and the EcIA;
- An Ecological Clerk of Works (ECoW) will inspect the Site in advance of works commencing and will undertake Site inspections as required during the works to ensure that they will be completed in line with the mitigation measures detailed within the EcIA and the approved CEMP; and,
- If protected or notable species are encountered during operations at the Site, the Ecological Clerk of Works (ECoW) or NPWS will be contacted for advice.

Measures for Terrestrial Mammals

- Should construction works be required outside of working hours, the appointed ECoW will be consulted as required;
- Where deep excavations are required onsite, appropriate measures to protect mammals from ingress will be installed; and,
- If unidentified burrows are identified within the works are during construction, the ECoW will be contacted for advice.

Measures for Invasive Species

- All vehicles, machinery and any other equipment that may be used for the works will be washed prior to its use onsite to prevent the import of plant material and seeds;
- Before machinery or equipment is unloaded at the Site, equipment will be visually inspected to ensure that all adherent material and debris has been removed;
- Any vehicles and machinery that are not clean will not be permitted entry to the Site;
- All materials to be imported to the Site including additional planting will be sourced from a reputable supplier and records of all material and supplies to Site will be maintained; and,
- In advance of works, all site personnel will receive an induction regarding invasive species.

7.4 Noise and Vibration

Noise impacts arising from construction activities have the potential to cause annoyance or nuisance to local residents and businesses in the area.

Appropriate criteria relating to permissible construction noise levels for this development are taken from British Standard BS 5228 – 1: 2009 +A1 2014¹⁶: Code of Practice for Noise and Vibration Control on Construction and Open Sites – Noise. The approach adopted here calls for the designation of a noise sensitive location into a specific category (A, B or C) based on exiting ambient noise levels in the absence of construction noise.

In accordance with the standard, ambient measured noise levels representative of noise sensitive locations should be rounded to the nearest 5 dB and construction noise limits are then set according to the category definitions above. This then sets a threshold noise value

that, if exceeded at this location, indicates a potential significant noise impact is associated with the construction activities depending on context. The approach is summarised in Table 7.1.

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Assessment Category and	Threshold Value (dB)			
	Category A ^{A)}	Category B ^{B)}	Category C ^{C)}	
Night Time (23:00-07:00)	45	50	55	
Evenings and Weekends ^{D)}	55	60	65	
Daytime (07:00-19:00) and Saturdays (07:00 – 13:00)	65	70	75	

- A) Category A: threshold values to use when ambient noise levels (when rounded to the nearest 5 dB) are less than these values.
- B) Category B: threshold values to use when ambient noise levels (when rounded to the nearest 5 dB) are the same as category A values.
- C) Category C: threshold values to use when ambient noise levels (when rounded to the nearest 5 dB) are higher than category A values.
- D) 19:00–23:00 weekdays, 13:00–23:00 Saturdays and 07:00–23:00 Sundays.

7.4.2 Vibration Criteria

Vibration criteria are taken from BS 5228-2:2009+A1:2014 Code of Practice for Noise and Vibration Control on Construction and Open Sites- Vibration. This document sets the following vibration limits for transient vibration. For buildings or structures that are structurally unsound, lower vibration magnitudes will apply, typically 50% of those for structurally sound buildings. Protected or historic buildings are not automatically assumed to be more vulnerable to vibration unless they have existing structural defects. The recommend transient vibration thresholds from BS5228-2 for the avoidance of cosmetic damage to light and heavy framed buildings are summarised in Table 7.2.

Type of Building	Peak component particle velocity in frequency range of predominant pulse Note 1		
	4 Hz to 15 Hz	15 Hz and above	
Reinforced or framed structures. Industrial and heavy commercial buildings	50mm/s		
Unreinforced or light framed structures.	15 mm/s at 4 Hz ^{Note 2} increasing to 20 mm/s at 15 Hz	20 mm/s at 15 Hz increasing to 50 mm/s at 40 Hz and above	
commercial buildings.			

Table 7.2:	Transient	Vibration	threshold	values	for buildings
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Note 1: Values referred to are at the base of the building.

Note 2: At frequencies below 4 Hz, a maximum displacement of 0.6 mm (zero to peak) is not to be exceeded.

7.4.3 General Noise and Vibration Mitigation

Best practice noise and vibration control measures will be employed by the contractor during the construction phase in order to control noise and vibration impacts at the nearest noise sensitive locations. All works on site shall comply with BS 5228 2009+ A1 2014 (Parts 1 & 2) which gives detailed guidance on the control of noise and vibration from construction activities. This includes guidance on several aspects of construction site mitigation measures, including, but not limited to:

- Selection of quiet plant;
- Noise control at source;
- Screening, and;
- Liaison with the Public

The following key forms of noise control for the site are set out below:

- Site compounds will be located away from noise sensitive boundaries within the site constraints;
- For mobile plant items such as cranes, dump trucks, excavators and loaders, the installation of an acoustic exhaust and or maintaining enclosure panels closed during operation can reduce noise levels by up to 10dB. Mobile plant should be switched off when not in use and not left idling.
- For steady continuous noise, such as that generated by diesel engines, it may be possible to reduce the noise emitted by fitting a more effective exhaust silencer system and avoid idling of engines when not in use.
- For percussive tools, a number of noise control measures include fitting a muffler or sound reducing equipment to the breaker 'tool' and ensure any leaks in the air lines are sealed. Erection of localised screens around breaker or drill bit when in operation in close proximity to noise sensitive boundaries.
- The use of a high quality construction site hoarding will be included around all noise sensitive boundaries.
- For all materials handling, ensure that materials are not dropped from excessive heights, lining drops chutes and dump trucks with resilient materials.
- All items of plant should be subject to regular maintenance. Such maintenance can prevent unnecessary increases in plant noise and can serve to prolong the effectiveness of noise control measures.
- All site staff shall be briefed on noise mitigation measures and the application of best practicable means to be employed to control noise.

Liaison with the Public

The designated environmental liaison officer will be appointed to site during construction works. Any noise complaints will be logged and followed up in a prompt fashion by the

liaison officer. In addition, where a particularly noisy construction activity is planned or other works with the potential to generate high levels of noise, or where noisy works are expected to operate outside of normal working hours etc., the liaison officer will inform the nearest noise sensitive locations of the time and expected duration of the noisy works.

Any noise complaints related to activities at the site will be logged and investigated and, where required, measures taken to ameliorate the source of the noise complaint.

Monitoring

During the construction phase, spot check noise monitoring may be required where the construction noise thresholds have the potential to be exceeded at noise sensitive locations. The monitoring shall be carried out by the contractor and used to inform the requirement for any control measures on site to reduce construction noise levels.

Noise monitoring will be conducted in accordance with the International Standard ISO 1996-2:2017 - Description, measurement and assessment of environmental noise - Part 2: Determination of sound pressure levels (ISO 2017)¹⁷.

Where required, or requested by the local authority, unattended external noise monitoring will be undertaken at locations on the site boundary closest to sensitive locations. It is considered that it will be appropriate to amend the monitoring program and location as the works progress. Accordingly, monitors may be added, removed or relocated as necessary.

The noise monitoring terminals should provide the following at minimum:

- Logging at hourly intervals; and
- Remote access for information download.

Where required (i.e. where there is potential for exceedance of the vibration thresholds for buildings in Table 7.2), or requested by the local authority, vibration monitoring will be installed at the site boundary to monitor Peak Particle Velocity parameter (PPV, mm/s) in the X, Y and Z directions, in accordance with BS ISO 4866: 2010: *Mechanical vibration and shock – Vibration of fixed structures – Guidelines for the measurement of vibrations and evaluation of their effects on structures*¹⁸.

The mounting of the transducer to the vibrating structure will need to comply with BS EN ISO 5348: 1998: *Mechanical vibration and shock – Mechanical mounting of accelerometers*¹⁹. In summary, the following ideal mounting conditions apply:

- The transducer and its mountings should be as rigid as possible;
- The mounting surfaces should be as clean and flat as possible;
- Simple symmetric mountings are best, and;
- The mass of the mounting should be small in comparison to that of the structure under test.

7.4.1 DLRCC Requirements Noise

I. Prior to the commencement of the proposed site works noise monitors stations shall be installed and maintained by a suitable qualified specialist firm to provide continuous noise monitoring to measure and record the impact of site activities on local receptors.

- II. All noise monitoring data shall be compiled into a weekly technical report which will include a full assessment of the noise impacts arising from site construction activities.
- III. Trigger limits at which remedial action will be taken and maximum limits at which work will be suspended should be clearly set out.
- IV. Should construction noise trigger limits be approached or exceeded appropriate measures shall be implemented to address the issues raised.

DLRCC Requirements Vibration

- I. Specialist advice be sought in relation to vibration monitoring and that prior to the commencement of the proposed site works vibration monitors stations be installed and maintained by a suitable qualified specialist firm to provide vibration monitoring to measure and record the impact of site activities on local receptors, as required.
- II. Appropriate specialist advice will be sought in relation to any measures that may be required to monitor and protect the structural integrity of any nearby structures, as required.

Further noise mitigation measures in line with the DLRCC Guidance Notes for Environmental Design Management of Construction Projects (August 2022) can be found in appendix A of the CEMP.

DLRCC General Requirements

Further noise and vibration mitigation measures in line with the DLRCC Guidance Notes "Good Practice Guide for Construction and Demolition Environmental Management (2022)" can be found in appendix A of the CEMP. All DLRCC qualifying requirements will be observed.



Figure 7.3 Proposed construction stage air quality, noise and vibration monitoring locations if required

7.5 Resource and Waste Management

This section outlines the measures that will be undertaken to minimise the quantity of waste produced at the site and the measures to handle the waste in such a manner as to minimise the effects on the environment. A site-specific RWMP has been prepared by AWN Consulting and will be employed to ensure sustainable and effective waste management throughout the excavation and construction phases of the project.

Adherence to the RWMP prepared for the construction works will ensure that the management of waste arising is dealt with in compliance with the provisions of the *Waste Management Act 1996* as amended ¹⁹, and associated Regulations, the *Litter Pollution Act of 1997* as amended ²⁰ and the *Eastern-Midlands Region Waste Management Plan 2015* – *2021* ²¹, and that it will achieve optimum levels of waste reduction, re-use and recycling.

Typical waste materials that will be generated from the construction works will include:

- Soil and stones;
- Concrete, bricks, tiles and ceramics;
- Wood, glass and plastics;
- Metals;
- Gypsum-based construction material;
- Paper and cardboard;
- Mixed construction and demolition (C&D) waste;
- Chemicals (solvents, paints, adhesives, detergents etc.); and

The management of all hazardous waste arisings, if they occur, shall be coordinated in liaison with Health and Safety Management.

7.5.1 <u>Waste Minimisation</u>

Waste minimisation measures proposed are summarised as follows (and are described in more detail in the RWMP):

- Materials will be ordered on an 'as needed' basis to prevent over supply;
- Materials will be correctly stored and handled to minimise the generation of damaged materials;
- Materials will be ordered in appropriate sequence to minimise materials stored on site;
- A waste tracking log will be established;
- Sub-contractors will be responsible for similarly managing their wastes; and
- All wood waste generated by site works will be inspected and examined and will be segregated as re-useable wood and scrap wood waste.

7.5.2 <u>Waste Storage</u>

The main waste storage area will be located in the site compound. A dedicated and secure area containing bins, and/or skips, and storage areas, into which all waste materials generated by construction site activities, will be established within the development.

Waste materials generated will be segregated at the site compound, where it is practical. Where the on-site segregation of certain wastes types is not practical, off-site segregation will be carried out. There will be skips and receptacles provided to facilitate segregation at source. All waste receptacles leaving site will be covered or enclosed. The appointed waste contractor will collect and transfer the wastes as receptacles are filled. There are numerous waste contractors in the Dún Laoghaire Region that provide this service.

The site Resource Manager will ensure that all staff are informed of the requirements for segregation of waste materials by means of clear signage and verbal instruction. Appointed employees will be made responsible for ensuring good site housekeeping.

7.5.3 Pest Management

A pest control operator will be appointed as required to manage pest onsite during the construction phase of the project. Organic and food wastes generated by staff will not be stored in open skips, but in closed waste receptacles. Any waste receptacles will be carefully managed to prevent leaks, odours and pest problems.

7.5.4 <u>Responsibility</u>

It will be the responsibility of the construction manager to ensure that a written record of all quantities and natures of wastes removed from the site are maintained on-site in a waste file (in hardcopy or electronically).

It is the responsibility of the project manager or his/her delegate that all contracted waste haulage drivers hold an appropriate waste collection permit for the transport of waste loads and that all waste materials are delivered to an appropriately licensed or permitted waste facility in compliance with the relevant Regulations as outlined in the RWMP.

The contractor, as part of regular site inspection audits, will determine the effectiveness of the waste management strategy and will assist the project manager in implementing the measures under the RWMP and in determining the best methods for waste minimisation, reduction, re-use, recycling and disposal as the construction phase progresses and waste materials are generated.

Prior to commencement of the excavation and construction activity and removal of any waste off-site, details of the proposed destination of each waste stream will be provided to DLRCC, along with waste collection permit numbers.

7.6 Surface Water Management

Care will be taken to ensure that exposed soil surfaces are stable to minimise erosion. All exposed soil surfaces will be within the main excavation site which limits the potential for any offsite impacts. All run-off will be prevented from directly entering into any water courses as no construction will be undertaken directly adjacent to open water.

No significant dewatering will be required during the construction phase which would result in the localised lowering of the water table. There may be localised pumping of surface runoff from the excavations during and after heavy rainfall events to ensure that the excavation is kept relatively dry.

The following measures will be put in place during the construction phase to ensure protection of surface waterbodies. Construction works are informed by best practice guidance from Inland Fisheries Ireland on the prevention of pollution during development projects:

- Control of Water Pollution from construction Sites, Guidance for consultants and contractors (C532); and
- Guidelines on Protection of Fisheries During Construction Works in and Adjacent to Waters (2016).
- Environmental Good Practice on Site (3rd edition) (C692).

Surface water discharge from the site will be managed and controlled for the duration of the construction works until the permanently attenuated surface water drainage system of the proposed site is complete. A temporary drainage system shall be installed prior to the commencement of the construction works to collect surface water runoff by the site during construction.

It is envisaged that a number of geotextile lined settling basins and temporary mounding's and/or silt fences will be installed to ensure silts do not flow off site during the construction stage. This temporary surface water management facility will throttle runoff and allow suspended solids to be settled out and removed. All inlets to the settling basins will be 'riprapped' to prevent scour and erosion in the vicinity of the inlet.

7.6.1 Pollution Control

Management of Suspended solids in run-off

Any temporary storage of spoil, hardcore, crushed concrete or similar material will be stored as far as possible from any surface water drains and also stored in receptacles where possible. In order to minimise the risk of contamination, the stockpiled material will be removed off-site as soon as possible. Surface water drain gratings in areas near or close to where stockpiles are located will be covered by appropriate durable polyurethane covers or similar.

There will be no direct pumping of silty water from the works to any watercourse. Sediment entrapment facilities will be installed to reduce sediment discharges to downstream properties and receiving waters. All run-off leaving a disturbed area should pass through a sediment entrapment facility before it exits the site and flows downstream such as straw bales, silt fencing, silt barriers and diversion dams.

Concrete Run-off

No wash-down or wash-out of ready-mix concrete vehicles during the construction works will be carried out at the site within 10 meters of an existing surface water drainage point. Wash-outs will only be allowed to take place in designated areas with an impervious surface.

Accidental Spills and Leaks

No bulk chemicals will be stored within the active construction areas. Temporary oil and fuel storage tanks will be kept in the material storage area in suitable containers and will be appropriately bunded as required. Refuelling of vehicles and the addition of hydraulic oils or lubricants to vehicles will take place in designated areas of the site, where possible, which will be kept away from surface water drains.

Spill protection equipment such as absorbent mats, socks and sand will be available to be used in the event of an accidental release during refuelling. Training will be given to appropriate site workers in how to manage a spill event.

The following mitigation measures will be taken at the construction site in order to prevent any spillages to ground of fuels during machinery activities and prevent any resulting soil and/or groundwater quality impacts:

- Refuelling will be undertaken off site where possible;
 - Where mobile fuel bowsers are used the following measures will be taken:
 - Any flexible pipe, tap or valve will be fitted with a lock and will be secured when not in use;
 - The pump or valve will be fitted with a lock and will be secured when not in use;
 - All bowsers must carry a spill kit;
 - Operatives must have spill response training; and
 - Portable generators or similar fuel containing equipment will be placed on suitable drip trays.

Monitoring

Weekly checks will be carried out to ensure surface water drains are not blocked by silt, or other items, and that all storage is located at least 10m from surface water receptors. A regular log of inspections will be maintained, and any significant blockage or spill incidents will be recorded for root cause investigation purposes and updating procedures to ensure incidents do not reoccur.

8.0 SUMMARY

This CEMP sets out the overall management strategy for the excavation and construction works for the proposed development. The CEMP aims to ensure the management of construction activity is carried out in a planned, structured and considerate manner which minimises the impacts of the works on the local environment, residents and commercial activities in the vicinity of the site. Due to the nature of construction works, there may be unforeseen events which occur at the site and the project team will actively manage any changes and discuss with the relevant authorities, where required.

The CEMP will be reviewed regularly and will be updated by the construction contractor to account for any subsequent planning conditions issued, any updated guidance released and circumstantial changes at the site as the development progresses.

The project team are committed to ensuring that the construction activities to be carried out are pro-actively managed so as to minimise potential impacts.

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APPENDIX A – DLRCC RISK ASSESSMENT & MITIGATION REQUIREMENTS

All mitigation considerations that are required based on the results of the DLRCC risk assessment will be implemented as required. The DLRCC risk assessment will regularly be reviewed as part of the life cycle of the CEMP and changing conditions on site.

	Low	Medium	High			
Expected duration of work						
Less than 6 months						
6 months to 12 months						
Over 12 months			Х			
Proximity of nearest sensitive receptors						
Greater than 50 metres from site						
Between 25m and 50m						
Less than 25 metres			Х			
Hospital or school within 100 metres						
Day time ambient noise levels	Day time ambient noise levels					
High ambient noise levels (>65dB(A))						
Medium ambient noise levels (55-65dB(A)		X				
Low ambient noise levels (<55dB(A)						
Working Hours						
7am – 6pm Mon-Fri; 8am-1pm Sat	Х					
Some extended evening or weekend work						
Some night time working, including likelihood of concrete power floating at night						
SUBTOTAL A						

	Low	Medium	High		
Location of works					
Majority within existing building					
Majority External			Х		
External Demolition					
Limited to two weeks					
Between 2 weeks and 3 months		Х			
Over three months					
Ground Works					
Basement level planned					
Non-percussive methods only					
Percussive methods for less than 3 months		Х			
Percussive methods for more than 3 months					
Piling					
Limited to one week					
Bored Piling Only					
Impact or vibratory piling			Х		
Vibration generating activities					
Limited to less than 1 week					
Between 1 week and 1 month		Х			
Greater than 1 month					
SUBTOTAL B					

	Low	Medium	High
Risk Assessment A			
Risk Assessment B			
Total			

General Site Considerations

All Sites

- All site staff will be briefed on noise mitigation measures and the application of best practicable means to be employed to control noise.
- Material and plant loading and unloading will only take place during normal working hours unless the requirement for extended hours is for traffic management (i.e. road closure) or health and reasons (application will be made to DLRCC a minimum of 4 days prior to proposed works)
- No materials will be burned on site
- All consignments containing material with the potential to cause air pollution being transported by skips, lorries, trucks or tippers will be covered during transit on and off site.
- The site will be dampened down as necessary to minimise windblown dust when necessary or during periods of dry weather. Where dust is likely to be a persistent problem a water spray system e.g. (IBC tanks fitted with hoses) will be put in place from the commencement of the works where required.
- Dust suppression equipment will be used when point source emissions are likely.
- The use of road sweeper and/or hand held dust vacuums will be used as required to wash external site perimeter to include pavements.

Medium and High-Risk Sites

- Good Quality site hoarding will be erected to maximise the reduction in noise levels
- The contact details of the contractor and site manager will be displayed to the public, together with the permitted operating hours, including any special permissions given for out of hours work
- The site entrance shall be located to minimise disturbance to noise sensitive receptors
- Internal haul routes shall be maintained and steep gradients will be avoided where possible
- The use of rubber linings in chutes, dumpers and hoppers to reduce impact noise where possible
- The opening and shutting of gates will be minimised through good coordination of deliveries and vehicle movements
- Adequate dust/debris screening will be put in place at the site boundary to contain and minimise the amount of windblown dust. This will be maintained in good condition at all times.
- The entry and exit points to the site will be constructed of hard standing which will be regularly dampened to minimise dust emissions.

<u>Plant</u>

All Sites

- Each item of plant and equipment will comply with the noise limits quoted in the relevant European Commission Directive 2000/14/EC
- All plant and equipment will be fitted with appropriate mufflers or silencers of the type recommended by the manufacturer or relevant expert
- All plant and equipment will only be used for the tasks for which it has been designed
- all plant and equipment will be shut down in intermittent use in the intervening periods between work or throttled down to a minimum
- All movable plant will be located away from noise sensitive receptors where possible

Medium and High-Risk Sites

• All plant will be powered by mains electricity where possible rather than generators

• Screening, using existing features or structures will be maxmised and the employ of partial or full enclosures for plant will be installed where practical.

Vehicle Activity

All Sites

• All vehicle movements (on site) will occur within normal working hours where possible. Other than where extension of work requiring such movements has been granted in cases of required road closures or for health and safety reasons.

Medium and High-Risk Sites

- All deliveries and vehicle movements will be planned where is practical so that vehicles are not waiting or queuing on the public roads. If unavoidable engines will be turned off.
- The site layout will be planned to ensure that reversing is kept to a minimum
- Where reversing is required, the use of broadband reverse sirens, where it is safe to do so will disengage and the use banksmen will be implemented.
- Where possible the use of rubber/neoprene or similar non-metal lining material matting will be used to line the inside of material transportation vehicles to avoid first drop high noise levels.
- Wheel washing or wheel cleaning facilities will be used on vehicles prior to exiting the site shall take place to ensure that adjoining roads are kept clean of dirt and debris. Regular washing of adjoining streets will also be carried out by the developer, as required by mechanical road sweepers.

Demolition Phase

All Sites

 If working out of hours for Health and Safety reasons (following approval by DLRCC) limit demolition activities will be kept to a low level noise activity unless absolutely unavoidable).

Medium and High-Risk Sites

- The use of acoustic screening will be employed when required; this will include planning the demolition sequence to utilise screening afforded by buildings to be demolished where is practical.
- The use low impact demolition methods such as non-percussive plant will be utilised where practicable.
- The transfer of noise and vibration from demolition activities to adjoining occupied buildings will be avoided through cutting any vibration transmission path or by structural separation of buildings where practical.

High-Risk Sites

- Rotary drills and 'bursters' activated by hydraulic or electrical power or chemically based expansion compounds to facilitate fragmentation and excavation of hard material will be utilised where practical.
- The removal of larger sections by lifting them out and breaking them down either in an area away from sensitive receptors or off site will be considered where possible.

Groundworks and Piling Phase

Medium and High-Risk Sites

- The following hierarchy of groundwork/piling methods will be used if ground conditions, design and safety allows:
 - o pressed in methods, e.g., hydraulic jacking
 - Auger/bored piling
 - Diaphragm walling
 - Vibratory piling or vibro-replacement
 - Driven Piling or dynamic consolidation
- The location and layout of the piling plant will be designed to minimise potential noise impact of generators and motors
- Where impact piling is the only option a non-metallic dolly between the hammer and driving helmet or enclose the hammer and helmet with an acoustic shroud will be utilised where practical.
- Concrete pour sizes and pump locations will be considered as part of operations. The start of concrete pours will be undertaken as early as possible to avoid overruns.
- Where obstructions are encountered, work will be stopped and a review undertaken to ensure that work methods that minimise noise are used.
- When using an auger piling rig, dislodgement of material from the auger by rotating it back and forth will be avoided where possible. The use alternate methods, where safe to do so will be implemented.
- Pile caps will be prepared using methods which minimise the use of breakers, e.g., use hydraulic splitters to crack the top of the pile when plausible.

Monitoring

All Sites

• Appropriate dust suppression will be employed to prevent fugitive emissions affecting those occupying neighbouring properties or pathways

Medium and High-Risk Sites

- Pre-existing levels of ambient noise will be established by baseline monitoring or use of the noise maps.
- Working methods, processes and procedures will be appraised and reviewed on a regular basis to ensure continuous development of Best Practice Methodology (BPM)
- The 'ABC' Method detailed in Paragraph E.3.2 of BS 5228-1:2009 will be used to determine acceptable noise levels for day, evening and nighttime work.
- Vibration levels will be kept below 1.0 mm/sec (PPV) where possible. Where levels are expected to exceed this value residents will be warned and an explanation given.
- Street and footpath cleaning will be undertaken during the demolition and ground works phase to minimise dust emissions as required.
- The following air quality monitoring procedures will be applied:
 - Continuous real time particulate (i.e. PM10 and PM2.5) monitoring along the site boundary will be undertaken during any demolition, ground works or during a construction phase which DLRCC deems necessary. The location of particulate monitors will be agreed with DLRCC prior to installation. The results of the monitoring will be made available to DLRCC on request in an agreed format.
 - Dust deposition monitoring will be undertaken using a methodology agreed in advance with DLRCC.

High-Risk Sites

• Regular on-site observation monitoring and checks/audits will be undertaken to

ensure that BPM is being used at all times. Such checks will include;

- Hours of work
- Presence of mitigation measures
- Number and type of plant
- Construction methods

Site reviews will be recorded and made available for inspection

• The Monitoring of noise and vibration continuously during demolition, piling, excavation and sub and superstructure works at agreed locations and report to DLRCC at agreed intervals and in an agreed format, when requested by DLRCC.

To comply with this the following will take place.

The monitoring locations for existing sites as agreed with officers of DLRCC must remain in situ. If additional monitoring is required this will be provided and the new locations will be agreed with DLRCC. For all new sites the monitoring locations must be agreed with DLRCC. The results of the monitoring must be forwarded to officers of the Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit every two weeks in the following format:

- The construction noise level as defined in British Standard 5228 and the peak particle velocity readings for the hours of operation of the site will be provided. This will include the construction noise level for any overtime period worked outside of normal working hours. A report will be provided detailing and discussing the noise and vibration levels over the reporting period. If a breach is recorded the follow up action that took place to prevent any further breaches will be included in the report.
- This information will be provided in electronic format if results are required owing to complaints. The results will be provided as soon as possible by the contractor to DLRCC upon request.

Communication and Liaison

Medium and High-Risk Sites

- A Community Liaison Plan will be developed by the developer in consultation with local residents/businesses and a single point of contact nominated to engage with DLRCC and the residents/businesses and to handle complaints and communication of site information if requested by DLRCC. A copy of this plan will be sent to DLRCC Planning Department as a matter of urgency in the case of sites where development has already commenced and 14 days in advance of commencement of works for any other site
- Contact details for the site manager and liaison officer will be displayed on the site hoarding
- All staff will be briefed on the complaints procedure and the mitigation requirement and their responsibilities to register and escalate complaints received.
- Regular updates at appropriate intervals to all identified affected neighbours/ businesses via a newsletter and the posting of relevant information on the site hoarding. The information will be made available via email, including weekly noise monitoring reports if requested by identified affected neighbours/ businesses

High-Risk Sites

- Regular community liaison meetings at appropriate intervals including prior to commencement of the project will be arranged as required.
- Contact with neighboring construction sites will be undertaken as required to ensure activities are coordinated to minimise any potential cumulative issues.

Extension of Working Hours – In Exceptional Circumstances

All Sites

- At least 4 days' notice will be given to DLRCC Planning Department when applying for extensions to normal working hours. Out of hours work will not be undertaken unless permission to do so has been granted.
- The applicant will demonstrate in writing that the works required cannot be carried out during normal working hours. The documentation sent in will be accompanied by a detailed engineering or/and traffic management or/and safety case as to why the works are required outside normal hours. Power floating after 6pm is the only activity that will be undertaken during the extensions where they relate to required large concrete pours. All reasonable and appropriate measures to minimise noise associated with these works will be put in place and no works other than those approved will be carried out during extended working hours. The Developer/there agent will give the times and dates of the proposed work, and the mitigation measures that are to be used to minimise noise/disturbance.
- The identified affected neighbours/ businesses will be advised about the requirement for and duration of any permitted works outside of normal working hours, and associated environmental mitigation measures being put in place during the course of the extended works, following receipt of approval from DLRCC.
- All complaints will be referred directly to the site liaison person and a reply will be issued to the complaint within 3 hours of receipt of the complaint when possible.
- A log of all complaints and a summary of how they were dealt with will be kept and be made available to DLRCC, as required.