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Pre-Construction Dust Monitoring.

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1. Introduction.

Hoare Lea have been commissioned by GPF Lewis Solutions Limited to provide pre-construction dust monitoring for the land fronting Stephenson Way, NW1 2HD (the 'Site') due to planning conditions received from the London Borough of Camden (LBoC). The Consented Development (planning reference: 2018/2316/P) will comprise the erection of a 7-storey building plus basement for student accommodation on the upper floors, including shared amenity space at ground and sixth floor level and terrace at the sixth floor level fronting Stephenson Way (Sui Generis).

1.1 Site Context.

The Site is consist of a vacant car park that is currently not in use, located fronting Stephenson Way. The neighbouring properties are Euston Square Hotel to the west, the UCL Institute of Health Informatics to the south, and an office building to the east. The surrounding area consists of primarily office use with some residential properties. The location of the Site is illustrated in Figure 1.

0 25 50 75 100 m



Legend

 Site Boundary

Figure 1: Location of the Site. Contains Google Maps Data (2023) [Retrieved 18/07/2023]

1.2 Requirements.

An Air Quality Assessment (AQA) was produced by Hoare Lea in 2018¹ and the Site was identified as low risk in the construction dust risk assessment with regards to construction dust emissions. For low-risk sites, in line with the Greater London Authority (GLA) guidance², monitoring would typically not be necessary. However, due to conditions specified by the London Borough of Camden (LBoC) in the Decision Notice³ published for the Consented Development, pre-construction dust monitoring is required on Site. Condition 11 outlines the requirement for air quality monitoring:

"No development shall take place until full details of the air quality monitors have been submitted to and approved by the local planning authority in writing. Such details shall include the location, number and specification of the monitors, including evidence of the fact that they have been installed in line with guidance outlined in the GLA's Control of Dust and Emissions during Construction and Demolition Supplementary Planning Guidance and have been in place for 3 months prior to the proposed implementation date. The monitors shall be retained and maintained on site for the duration of the development in accordance with the details thus approved."

¹ Hoare Lea (2018) Stephenson Way Air Quality Assessment – [online], (Last Accessed: 18/07/2023), Available at: <http://camdocs.camden.gov.uk/HPRMWebDrawer/Record/7163776/file/document?inline>

² Greater London Authority (2014), The Control of Dust and Emissions During Construction and Demolition Supplementary Planning Guidance – [online] (Last Accessed: 18/07/2023), Available at: www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/gla_migrate_files_destination/Dust%20and%20Emissions%20SPG%208%20July%202014.pdf

³ London Borough of Camden (2020) Decision Notice for Land fronting Stephenson Way – [online], (Last Accessed: 18/07/2023), Available at: <http://camdocs.camden.gov.uk/HPRMWebDrawer/Record/8478772/file/document?inline>



Reason: To safeguard the amenities of the adjoining premises and the area generally in accordance with the requirements of policies G1, A1, D1 and CC4 of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017."

1.3 Scope.

To partially address Condition 11, Hoare Lea have deployed an air quality monitor at the Site and produced this note to confirm the methodology of the monitoring methodology and programme with LBoC.

The proposed methodology for monitoring was provided to and discussed with LBoC's Air Quality Officers to determine an acceptable methodology for the baseline survey. Details of the equipment and location chosen for the air quality monitor have been provided to LBoC for comment.

2. Method Statement.

2.1 Guidance.

Appropriate guidance has been referred to in determining the suitable equipment and location for construction dust monitoring at the Site.

2.1.1 Greater London Authority Guidance

Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) on the control of dust and emissions during construction and demolition has been published by the GLA². The guidance provides protocols for on-site monitoring to manage the generation of particulate matter (PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}) and nitrogen oxides (NO_x) during construction activities. The monitoring approach has been undertaken in line with the GLA SPG.

2.1.2 Institute of Air Quality Management Guidance

The Institute of Air Quality Management (IAQM) has published Guidance on Monitoring in the Vicinity of Demolition and Construction Sites (2018)⁴. This document advises on monitoring dust and particulate matter and the quality assurance procedures that should be applied. The monitoring approach has been undertaken with consideration of the IAQM guidance.

2.2 Monitoring Equipment.

One EarthSense Zephyr has been deployed on Site to record PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} concentrations. The equipment will be supplied with power from a connected south-facing solar panel to provide active sampling throughout the monitoring period. Due to the size of the Site (approximately 400 m²) and the approach of conducting a pre-construction baseline monitoring period, one monitor is considered sufficient to assess the impacts of dust generated on Site.

The EarthSense Zephyr is an MCERTS Certified Indicative Ambient Particulate Monitor⁵ and is used for the purposes of construction dust monitoring across the UK. The specification sheet for the Zephyr has been provided in Appendix 1. The monitor is capable of recording particulate matter within 5 µg/m³ of accuracy on 10 second intervals. The monitor will send data to an online dashboard which provides real-time data and has the capability to send alerts if required by LBoC.

2.3 Monitoring Location.

The monitor is located at the north-west corner of the Site. The location is deemed safe, out of the way pedestrian and vehicle traffic. The monitor has been located at 3.1 m height to ensure that the inlet is above where the site hoarding will be installed during construction to allow free-flowing air around the inlet, as well as out of reach of the general public. The location of the monitor is illustrated in Figure 2. Photographs of the monitor setup at the Site are shown in Appendix 2.

⁴ Institute of Air Quality Management (2018) Guidance on Monitoring in the Vicinity of Demolition and Construction Sites – [online], (Last Accessed: 18/07/2023), Available at: https://iaqm.co.uk/text/guidance/guidance_monitoring_dust_2018.pdf

⁵ CSA Group (2023) MCERTS Certified Products: Indicative Ambient Particulate Monitors – [online] (Last accessed: 18/07/2023), Available at: [MCERTS Certified Products: Indicative Ambient Particulate Monitors Archives - CSA Group](#)

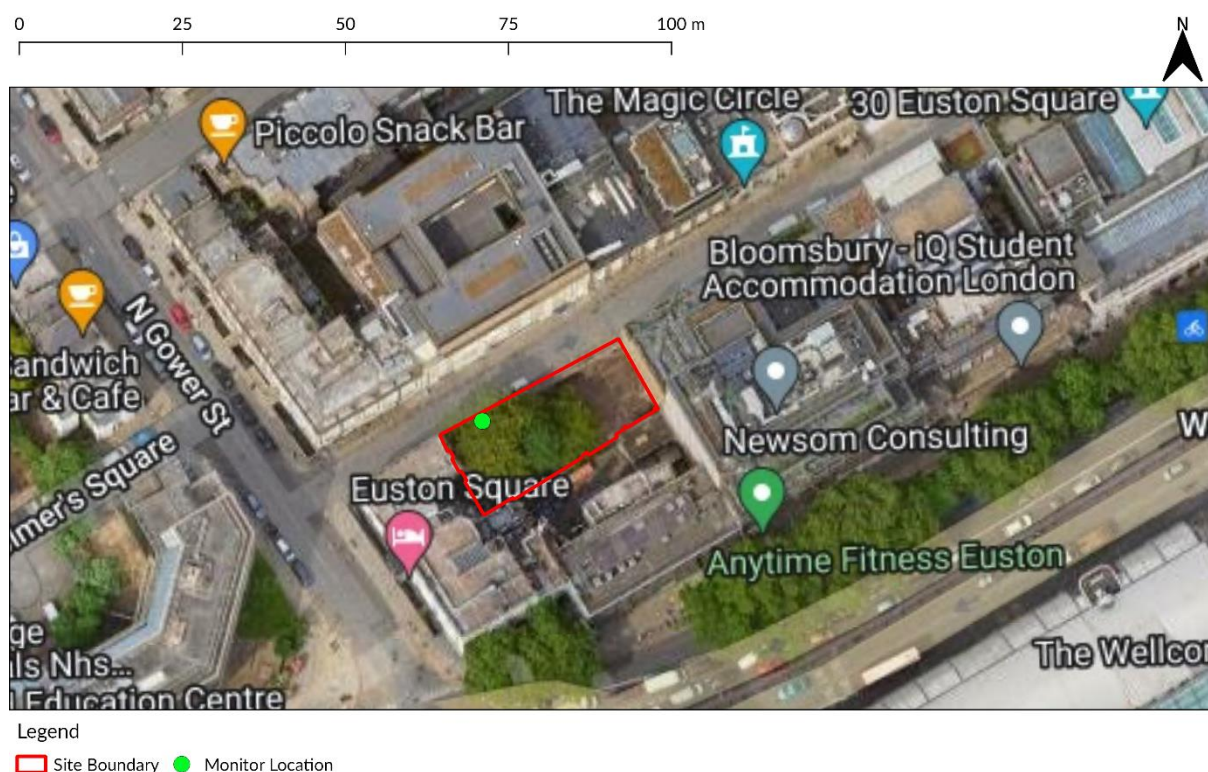


Figure 2: Location of the EarthSense Zephyr on the Site. Contains Google Maps Data (2023) [Retrieved 18/07/2023].

2.4 Monitoring Schedule.

The dust monitor was set up by air quality professionals from Hoare Lea on the 18th of July 2023 and will be in place for three months prior to construction works starting on Site. The professional experience of the individuals involved has been detailed in Appendix 1. There should be no need for further visits to the Site during the monitoring period. The EarthSense online portal will be periodically checked to ensure the data is being captured consistently.

During the construction period, monitoring will need to be continued on Site using the same equipment type and in a similar location to the baseline survey, along the north façade of the Site provided safe access can be maintained.



3. Summary.

This note details the methodology for the pre-construction dust monitoring for the land fronting Stephenson Way, NW1 2HD.

Monitoring will take place for three months prior to construction activities taking place on the Site. This monitoring will be conducted using an EarthSense Zephyr setup in an appropriate location by air quality professionals, in line with guidance from the GLA and IAQM.

This will partially satisfy the Condition 11 as described in the Decision Notice published by LBoC. Monitoring must continue for the duration of construction activities on site for Condition 11 to be fully discharged.



Appendix 1 – Professional Experience.

Chris Rush (Hoare Lea), BSc (Hons), MSc, PG Dip Acoustics, CEnv, MIOA, MIEMA, MIEEnvSc, MIAQM

Chris is an Associate Director Air Quality Consultant with Hoare Lea. He is a Chartered Environmentalist, a Member of the Institute of Acoustics, a Full Member of the Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment, a Member of the Institution of Environmental Sciences and a Full Member of the Institute of Air Quality Management (IAQM).

He has a diverse portfolio of experience and has worked on a range of projects from initial site feasibility, through planning and development to construction and operation. Chris's expertise covers planning, noise and air quality, specifically in relation to residential developments, industrial fixed installations such as waste management centres and transportation environmental impact on developments including air traffic. Chris is involved in the testing and assessment of the impact of indoor air quality and how building design contributes to this. He also is a member of Chartered Institute of Building Services Engineers (CIBSE) Air Quality Working Group and a committee member of the IAQM.

Lauren Buchanan (Hoare Lea), MSc, BSc (Hons), AMIEEnvSc, MIAQM

Lauren is a Principal Air Quality Consultant at Hoare Lea. She is an Associate Member of the Institution of Environmental Sciences and a Member of the Institute of Air Quality Management. She has worked on a range of projects gaining experience in many different aspects of air quality assessment, including monitoring and detailed dispersion modelling of dust, odour, roads and industrial emissions for a variety of sectors and to fulfil Local Air Quality Management (LAQM) duties on behalf of Local Authorities. Lauren has undertaken air quality assessments for permit requirements and planning applications, including stand-alone reports, Environmental Impact Assessments, Habitats Regulations Assessments and Development Consent Orders.

Phoebe Stockton (Hoare Lea), MSc, BSc (Hons), AMIAQM

Phoebe is an Air Quality Consultant at Hoare Lea, with 3 years' experience in air quality consultancy. She holds an MSc in Environmental Engineering from Newcastle University. Phoebe has worked on a range of projects across the public and private sector, including experience in undertaking borough-wide air quality dispersion modelling exercises to inform Local Plans on behalf of Local Authorities. She has provided air quality consultancy support for a variety of different project types both to inform the design and to accompany planning applications through production of Air Quality Assessments. She also has extensive experience with siting and deploying air quality monitoring equipment. Phoebe's interests lie in the effects that pollution has on human health and wellbeing.

Alex Johnson (Hoare Lea), MSc, BSc (Hons), AMIAQM

Alex is a Graduate Air Quality Consultant with Hoare Lea. He graduated from the University of Southampton with a master's degree in Environmental Pollution Control. Alex's research project focused on how air quality had changed in urban environments throughout the COVID-19 pandemic in order to further our understanding of how different activities influence pollution levels.

He has completed several air quality assessments, indoor air quality plans and technical reports for clients across various sectors already at Hoare Lea. Previously, he has also worked on several projects for Natural England, Defra and the Environment Agency to provide geospatial data analysis and research assistance.

Appendix 2 – Photographs of the Installed Monitor



Appendix 3 – Zephyr Air Quality Monitor – Specification Sheet




Key

- ^a - accuracy may be diminished where Zephyrs are exposed to direct sunlight
- ^b - lowest tested concentrations are background
- ^c - estimates of range are based on the theoretical limits of the electronics

Mechanical		
Size	235mm (h) x 160mm (w) x 114mm (d)	
Weight	1750g - 2000g (dependent on cartridge)	
Operating Parameters	Operating Range: -20°C to +45°C ambient. Relative Humidity range: 15 - 85% continuous* *prolonged exposure outside of this range may irreparably damage the gas sensors.	
Construction	Extruded aluminium body, hard anodised with ASA-PC end mouldings. Stainless steel mounting brackets for 80-140mm diameter poles.	
Electrical		
Power Inputs	12-32V DC (~13.8V for cars and LCV, ~27.6V for HGV) or solar powered applications (~18-20V)	
IP Rated Zephyr® Monitor	IP64	
IP Rated Power Supply Unit (Optional)	IP67	
IP Rated Power Supply Unit (Indoor use only)	IP2X	
Solar Panel (Optional)	50WP output Bracket, mount and straps included Dimensions: 530mm (h) x 670mm (w) x 25mm (d) Weight: 5.5kg	
Power Draw	Max: 19W at 19V Nominal: ~ 0.2W at 19V Elexon charge code: 8300003002100* *Standard cartridge configuration only	
Internal Battery	Li-Ion ~55 Whr. Charged by MPPT battery charging controller to maximise solar panel output. Increase battery capacity option available	
Battery Run Time	Normal mode: 3 days, 17 hours* *with 1 standard cartridge	Low Power/Winter Mode: 7 days, 18 hours* *with a standard cartridge



Cartridge Options - all Zephyrs come with a cartridge based system that uses active sampling						
Measure	Standard Cartridge	Standard + Cartridge	Enhanced Cartridge	Enhanced + Cartridge	Enhanced ++ Cartridge	
Nitrogen dioxide (NO ₂)	•		•	•	•	
Nitric oxide (NO)	•		•	•	•	
Ozone (O ₃)	•		•	•	•	
Particulate Matter (PM ₁)	•		•	•	•	
Particulate Matter (PM _{2.5})	•		•	•	•	
Particulate Matter (PM ₁₀)	•		•	•	•	
Carbon monoxide (CO)			•	•	•	
Sulphur dioxide (SO ₂)			•	•	•	
Hydrogen sulphide (H ₂ S)			•	•	•	
Carbon dioxide (CO ₂) (optional)		•		•	•	
Total Organic Volatile Compounds (TVOCs) (optional)		•			•	
Pressure	•		•	•	•	
Temperature	•		•	•	•	
Relative Humidity	•		•	•	•	
Estimated Accuracy, Range and Limits of Detection						
Measure	Estimated Accuracy		Range		Limits of Detection	
	µg/m³ mg/m³	ppb ppm	µg/m³ mg/m³	ppb ppm	µg/m³ mg/m³	ppb ppm
Nitrogen dioxide (NO ₂)	10 µg/m³	5.2 ppbV	0 - 20,000 µg/m³ °	0 - 10,000 ppbV °	1.5 µg/m³	0.78 ppbV
Nitric oxide (NO)	10 µg/m³	8 ppbV	0 - 6,000 µg/m³ °	0 - 5,000 ppbV °	1.5 µg/m³	1.20 ppbV
Ozone (O ₃)	15 µg/m³	7.5 ppbV	0 - 15,000 µg/m³ °	0 - 7,500 ppbV °	1.5 µg/m³	0.75 ppbV
Particulate Matter (PM ₁)	5 µg/m³		0 - 20,000 µg/m³ °		0.2 µg/m³	
Particulate Matter (PM _{2.5})	5 µg/m³		0 - 20,000 µg/m³ °		1.3 µg/m³	
Particulate Matter (PM ₁₀)	5 µg/m³		0 - 20,000 µg/m³ °		1.4 µg/m³	
Carbon monoxide (CO)	0.3 mg/m³	0.3 ppmV	0 - 40 mg/m³ °	0 - 35 ppmV °	0.03 mg/m³	0.02 ppmV
Sulphur dioxide (SO ₂)	20 µg/m³	7.6 ppbV	0 - 6,500 µg/m³ °	0 - 2,500 ppbV °	1.5 µg/m³	0.57 ppbV
Hydrogen sulphide (H ₂ S)	5 µg/m³	3.6 ppbV	0 - 1,500 µg/m³ °	0 - 1,000 ppbV °	1.5 µg/m³	1.08 ppbV
Carbon dioxide (CO ₂) (optional)	30 ppmV		0 - 5,000 ppm		-	
Total Organic Volatile Compounds (TVOCs) (optional)	-		0 - 15,000 ppbV °		1 ppbV	
Pressure	1.2 hPa		300 - 1,100 hPa		-	
Temperature	5°C °		-20°C - 45°C ambient		-	
Relative Humidity	5% °		15 - 85% continuous* *prolonged exposure outside of this range may irreparably damage the gas sensors.		-	
Location Sensing						
High Sensitivity GNSS	GPS, GLONASS, Galileo and Beidou module with internal active antenna.					
Internal Storage						
16GB SD Card	Sufficient for 32 million measurement sets.					
Data Handling						
Web Services Infrastructure	Data infrastructure is hosted in the cloud to give high service availability, resilience. and regional selection					
Communication Technologies	Wi-Fi (802.11 b/g/n 2.4GHz) Bluetooth (2.4GHz v4.2 BR/EDR + BLE compliant) GSM 2G 4G (NB-IoT and LTE Cat-M1)* RS232*, RS485*					
	*Optional					

Data Access		
MyAir® Web App	<p>View and download data via a URL link to the MyAir web app.</p> <p>MyAir functionality includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mapped Zephyr® locations- Data charting and download via KML or CSV- Additional data overlays including global MappAir and 3rd party data- Satellite, AURN and Air Quality Management Area map overlays- Source apportionment- Historic and forecast data <p>Our server via the customer username & password will hold collected Zephyr® data until the end of the subscription.</p>	
Zephyr® API	Data can be integrated into existing systems such as traffic management, environmental reports and GIS.	
		
Default Sensing Programme		
	Normal Mode	Low Power/Winter Mode
Sample Rate:*	10 seconds	1 minute
Upload Rate:*	15 minutes	60 minutes
*for standard cartridge. Custom modes can be configured		
Data Integrations		
Stratos Traffic Management System	Compatible with Yunex Traffic (formerly Siemens Mobility) traffic management system	
MindSphere	Integrated with Siemens MindSphere Industrial IoT Solution	
Third Party Device Integrations		
RS232 / RS485	Zephyr® input power can be passed through to the connector (9-30V) to supply the auxiliary hardware with up to 1A. We are able to configure data connections for a wide range of additional hardware, please contact us if your proposed device is not listed below.	
Other Sensor Providers that Work with the Zephyr®	Gill MaxiMet range - GMX100, 101, 200, 240, 300, 301, 400, 500, 501, 531, 541, 550, 551 and 600.	
	Any other integrations are available upon application.	
Warranty		
Warranty	Full warranty on manufacturer faults	