

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2024/4948/P	Deb and Fran	17/02/2025 21:40:04	OBJ	<p>We formally object to the proposed installation of an air conditioning unit on the roof adjacent to my bedroom. I am deeply concerned about the potential noise pollution and its adverse effects on my mental and physical well-being.</p> <p>The application does not adequately address this impact, especially for nearby properties without air-conditioning, where open windows are the primary source of ventilation. This aspect is not adequately considered in the noise impact assessment, as the modelling does not account for properties in close proximity to the air conditioning units.</p> <p>As someone who values our health and well-being, I worry that the continuous or intermittent noise from the air conditioning unit could severely disrupt my sleep patterns and daily life. Research has consistently shown that prolonged exposure to noise pollution can contribute to stress, anxiety, and other mental health issues. I genuinely fear that this situation may negatively impact my mental health, as the unit's location directly compromises my ability to rest and relax in my own home.</p> <p>Furthermore, the proximity of the air conditioning unit to my bedroom window increases the likelihood of significant noise disturbance. The sound generated by compressors, fans, and vibrations can be particularly intrusive, especially during nighttime hours when ambient noise levels are lower. This would inevitably interfere with my sleep quality and overall well-being.</p> <p>The application does not take into consideration this impact, particularly for nearby properties without air conditioning where open windows are the main source of ventilation during the day or night. Therefore, any double glazing, mentioned in the application, will only reduce the noise impact on air-conditioned premises. It will have a detrimental impact on neighbours.</p> <p>This is not assessed on the noise impact assessment where the modelling does not account for properties in close proximity to the AC plants. The conclusion reached mentions consideration noise to noise to children at school, and residents on 175, but nothing about consideration to close neighbours who also be affected.</p> <p>Finally, there is also the consideration that in a space enclosed on three sides, the vibration is likely to echo and reverberate within the space and therefore cause more disturbance. It doesn't mention preventative steps to mitigate this for instance whether alternative placements have been considered and/or noise-reducing enclosures.</p>
