Eleanor Shaw

From: Ken McBride
Sent: 18 March 2009 12:07
To: Eleanor Shaw
Subject: RE: Woodland Avenue MUGA

Hi Eleanor,
Trying to give an indication of the noise levels at residential boundaries without carrying out a proper noise survey at the site would be impossible.
A lot of the noise produced from such a site will be voices which the Parish Council would not be able to produce a mitigation scheme for. However these voices will not really differ from the voices on the rest of the play area. The only issue which the applicant can seriously address is the boundary material they propose. In the application they referred to steel sheets, but these may be the noisiest part of the whole MUGA. Balls being kicked against them will generate relatively loud noises and other materials would be quieter, e.g. wood. I can understand the PC's wish to use metal as it lasts longer and has lower maintenance costs, but as a noise reduction measure alternatives should be considered. If they wish to continue with metal, they should consider stiffened or sound deadened panels.
If there is anything else you want please contact me.

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From: Eleanor Shaw
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Morning Ken,

As you are probably aware, the planning application for the MUGA reference 09/00076FUL was determined by Plans Committee last week. The application was permitted, but the Councillors requested that a condition be put on the application requiring a scheme be submitted indicating how noise from the development would be reduced. Accordingly i was wondering whether you have any idea of what the dBA levels should be at the residential curtilage boundaries? Once this is established, the applicant will have a clearer idea of the level/type of mitigation required.

Many Thanks,

Eleanor Shaw
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