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Subject: Consultee Comments for Planning Application 26/00640/HOU

Consultee comments

Dear Sir/Madam,

A consultee has commented on a Planning Application. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 18/08/2026 3:57 PM from Mr Giles Rawdon (giles.rawdon@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk) on behalf of HBBC ES Pollution 2.

Application Summary

Reference:	26/00640/HOU
Address:	9 Equity Road East Earl Shilton Leicester Leicestershire LE9 7FZ
Proposal:	Installation of air source heat pump
Case Officer:	Sophie Iliffe

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Comments Details

My previous comments requested an assessment of the noise under the appropriate guidance document (CIEH/IOA Domestic Air Source Heat Pumps Professional Advice Note (2026)).

Comments: The Noise Impact Assessment provided does not follow this guidance but uses DEFRA's strategic noise mapping to inform the assessment. This is not appropriate. Conclusions such as: "the proposed installation achieves an external noise level that remains 6-16 dB below the prevailing ambient daytime noise climate (45-55 dB) and within the prevailing ambient nighttime noise climate (35-40 dB)" can-not be made based on the data used.

The noise modelling software and inputs appear correct and provide a predicted sound level at the worst affected assessment location of 39dB(A). Section 1.3 of the report details that a 2dB correction has been applied to the source specific sound level. Applying the correct guidance- where no acoustic penalty is used because the 37dB limit already caters for this, results in a sound

level of 37dB(A) at the worst affected location- this is compliant with MCS (20)a.

I have no technical reason to recommend refusal and I would not foresee a significant impact from the proposed plant. I have no further comment.

Kind regards

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