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Dear Paul

Royal Preston Hospital, Noise Assessment

Miller Goodall Environmental Services Ltd were requested to provide a quote for a noise assessment for a two storey car park at the above site on 25th September 2014. Our initial view was whether an assessment was needed. In our experience car parks do not generate significant noise and there appeared to be no plant or equipment associated with the development. An email was therefore sent Chris Hobson at Preston City Council Environmental Health on 26th September 2014 to clarify the issue.

The email stated:

'Chris

I have tried to contact you about the above site. We have been requested to undertake a noise assessment for a planning application for a two storey car park above the existing car park E at the above site. I have attached the proposed scheme, it is just the car park we are interested in.

The new car park has the same access as the original and brings the site no closer than the original car park. There is a house to the south approximately 20 m away.

The previous application no. 06/2006/0248 was refused against officer recommendation, and the proposed car park was closer to a number of residential properties on the east of the site. The other application was for a site on car park M.

I am slightly at a loss to know how best to address any noise assessment and am not sure that it is really required.

Any thoughts would be greatly appreciated.'

Further to the email a phone call was received from Louise Purdy, Preston City Council Environmental Health stating that the comments in relation to noise were more in relation to the issue of careful design of the car park, to ensure:

- Entrance not located closer to residential properties
- Barriers designed such that they do not bang or clatter
- The hoardings around the car park located such that they prevent glare from headlights
- The road surface selected such that screech of tyres is not heard.
- The intercom shall not be audible to local residents.

On the basis of these comments it was agreed that a noise impact assessment was not appropriate, however careful design of the project to prevent loss of amenity was needed.

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If you have any queries or would like any additional information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully



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