

# MEMORANDUM

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| <b>From:</b>                | Emma Choules<br>Env Health                                                                        |                |        |
| <b>Service</b>              | WBC Environmental Health                                                                          | <b>App No:</b> | 242619 |
| <b>Address:</b>             | 57 Oakey Drive, Wokingham, Wokingham, RG40 2DT.                                                   |                |        |
| <b>Proposal:</b>            | Householder application for the installation of an air source heat pump to the front of dwelling. |                |        |
| <b>Type of Development:</b> | Other Householder                                                                                 |                |        |
| <b>Site Visit Made:</b>     | No                                                                                                |                |        |

## Summary Of Recommendations

- ☐ No comment
- ☐ No objection
- ☒ No objection subject to conditions (and reasons) **stated below**
- ☐ Request further information before determination as **stated below**
- ☐ Objection due to the reason(s) **stated below**

## Comments On Proposal

The revised submissions have been reviewed.

Unfortunately whilst the detail of a MCS 020\* assessment has been provided, this assessment has not passed.

As previously advised, where possible, where MCS assessments pass, we do accept them for planning applications, to support householders.

However, in instances, such as this, where we have a failed MCS assessment, we do require further information, in the form of a noise impact assessment, and, as necessary mitigation measures to ensure neighbours are not affected adversely by noise.

Alternative solutions include, selection of a quieter model of air source heat pump, locating in an alternative location, inclusion of attenuation, or a combination of these and provision of a revised supporting MCS assessment.

\*MCS 020 issue 1.3 dated 19/06/2019

### Conditions & Reasons (if required)

#### Noise Assessment.

Prior to installation of an Air Source Heat Pump, a noise assessment should be conducted by an appropriately qualified person(s), this should be submitted to the local authority for approval. This can inform the installation to achieve best practice and good acoustic design. This should address noise impact in terms of future users of the proposed site and nearby properties, both internal and external spaces.

This report is to identify a clear scheme of recommended works, or such other steps as may be necessary to minimize the effects of noise, both on nearby noise sensitive receptors and on future occupants of the development.

Any recommended noise mitigation measures should be retained and maintained thereafter.

Reason - To ensure that no nuisance or disturbance is caused to the occupiers of properties. Relevant policy: NPPF Section 15 (Conserving and Enhancing the Natural Environment), Core Strategy policies CP1 and CP3 and Managing Development Delivery Local Plan policy CC06.

**Date:**

18/12/24

**Signed:**

E Choules