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Fee Proposal: Sound Insulation Testing

8th December 2025



Proposal Number:	218981
Client:	Crest Nicholson Chiltern
Site Address:	Arborfield - Parcel O2
	Reading

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Synopsis

Thank you for your enquiry regarding our acoustic services. noise.co.uk Ltd will act as acoustics consultants to Crest Nicholson Chiltern (hereafter referred to as “the Client”) for the works detailed in this proposal.

It is understood that the development contains Purpose built dwellings. It is expected that the site requires 2 wall tests, 2 floor airborne tests and 2 floor impact tests to meet the testing requirements from Approved Document E 2003 (hereafter referred to as “ADE2003”) based on the information that the Client has provided. The Client should confirm with the relevant building control body that the test areas are appropriate. noise.co.uk Ltd are the “preferred and endorsed” partner of Local Authority Building Control (LABC) for sound insulation testing.

Site Specific Requirements

The client has the following specific requirements:

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Cc: Dan Willett <dan@noise.co.uk>; Kate Adkins <kate@noise.co.uk>
Subject: Re: ACTIVE: 21898G & 21898H - Arborfield O2 - Internal Environmental Noise Assessment and Report- To be scheduled
Hi Heather,
Are we able to add a party wall sound test for the same day?
We have two customers complaining and would be nice to wrap this up on the same day.
Kind regards,

Amber Childs BA (Hons) MCIOB
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Scope

The scope of the consultancy shall be as follows:

- carry out 2 wall airborne sound insulation tests to BS EN ISO 140-4 :1998 and evaluate the single figure values using BS EN ISO 717-1 :1997
- carry out 2 floor impact sound insulation tests to BS EN ISO 140-7 :1998 and evaluate the single figure values using BS EN ISO 717-2 :1997
- carry out 2 floor airborne sound insulation tests to BS EN ISO 140-4 :1998 and evaluate the single figure values using BS EN ISO 717-1 :1997
- prepare a report that compares the results with the performance requirements from Approved Document E 2003;
- provide an electronic copy of the report within 5 working days of the survey taking place; and,
- in the event of a failed test, our report will offer mitigation guidance at no additional fee.

Summary of Fees

Task	Fee	Total	Comments
Sound Insulation Testing			
Sound insulation survey visit (1 off)	£575	£575	Additional walls and floors can be added to the survey upon site request charged at the individual surface rate as indicated: £50 per additional test
Travel (1 off)	£-	£-	Tests to be carried out in 1 visit combined with proposal 21898H
Total		£575	Ex VAT (All prices are excluding VAT)

Price match promise: As the preferred and endorsed consultants of LABC we will match the fee of any other like for like quote and discount 10% of the difference.

Online Meeting: Offered at the request of the client, to discuss the respective project with one of our consultants.

- **£125 ex VAT per hour or part of hour.**

Letters of Reliance: can be supplied based on:

£195 Ex VAT – Client supplies relevant documentation; £395 Ex VAT - We supply the relevant documentation.

Other documentation fees can be provided on request.

Site Conditions and Actions by The Client

Prior to our survey we require scaled plans, sections and junction details for separating walls/floors and associated flanking elements. This should include any surveyed inner leaf of the external walls, roof details and ground floor junction details. Failure to provide this information will not prevent the test being carried out but will reduce the level of detail in any mitigation advice that is provided.

For our survey to take place we require the following conditions in all rooms which are to be tested:

- separating wall and floor constructions shall be complete, with the exception of floor testing where floors coverings (such as carpets, vinyl or laminate) are not to be fitted;
- full and free access to both sides of the separating surface(s) to be tested;
- doors, door sets and associated seals in place;
- glazing elements and associated seals in place;
- quiet site conditions (i.e. no internal or external construction/groundwork); and,
- accessible supply of 240V/110v electricity
- if access to test property denied due to occupants aborted survey fee will be charged
- if other work disciplines' take precedent over SI testing aborted survey fee will be charged
- **NOTE: the separating elements 'as built' will be tested on the day of the site survey visit. We will not employ standing time while site work is finished. The current performance of the construction of separating elements will be the results that appear on the test certification, no interpolation or allowances can be made that will indicate a higher value for completion of unfinished work. Alternatively the Client can choose to abort the survey and a service charge plus expenses will be applied and the site test rearranged.**

Please forward these details to the site to ensure all conditions are met before survey is carried out

Our engineers are instructed to request the assistance of the site manager to ensure all conditions are met. Should this, in our engineers' opinion, not be the case, they are instructed to inform the site manager and leave site for which an aborted survey fee will be charged at a cost of £450 + travel ex VAT

Terms of Business

For all clients: All clients are required to return the signed confirmation of order which is the last page of our fee proposal.

Payment terms for new clients: Unless otherwise stated in the confirmation form all new clients must pay any deposit fee indicated on the confirmation form before the work will be booked and carried out. Our invoice must be settled in full prior to the release of our reports.

Payment terms for existing clients: If you have previously been a client our, standard terms are nett 30 days from date of our invoice to you.

We are unable to offer a technical report, test or survey date until a signed confirmation and, if applicable, the deposit payment has been received by our Head Office.

Late payments: All late payments are referred to our legal executive and will be followed up with a final demand. Non-payment will result in legal proceedings and will incur additional costs over and above the basic consultancy fees charged by noise.co.uk Ltd and as allowed under law. We act in the capacity of consultants and not sub-contractors to the main contractor. We work outside of the CIS scheme. We do not offer a warranty in respect of the works included in the proposal.

Pro-forma documentation: If we are required to complete pro-forma documentation, e.g. Safety at Work Forms, Work Instructions, Risk Assessments etc, or provide copies of PI or Public Liability Insurance this ***must*** be requested in advance of the survey being completed. ***This would not be valid as a reason for non-payment within our 30-day terms.***

Whilst all results and reports become the property of the client upon full payment, noise.co.uk Ltd reserves the right, to use the raw data as it sees fit, whilst respecting the confidentiality of the client at all times.

Reporting: we produce a scientific report of the findings of the survey and use the results to assess and document the noise impact and predict the mitigation needs in relation to the Client, planning or British Standard requirements as appropriate to the site and as provided at the time of instruction. We do not produce 'draft' reports for comment or consultation. If these are required, they will attract a rework fee commensurate with the number of revisions required. This fee can be provided on request.

Bill Whitfield | Managing Director

Proposal Confirmation / Order Form

To proceed with the works please complete all parts of this form and return to: **confirmations@noise.co.uk**

Proposal Number: 21898I

Invoice Information

We accept the terms and conditions as detailed within this proposal.
(Third parties signing on behalf of client will accept responsibility for our invoice in full)

We will only hold data for the purposes of providing our services to clients. We will not share any data with any other entity unless legally obliged to do so

Date:	Company:
Signed:	Address 1:
Print Name:	Address 2:
Tel:	Town/City:
Mob:	County:
Email:	Post Code:
Company Status (i.e. PLC, LTD, Sole Trader, Partnership, Individual):	
Company Registration Number (if PLC or LTD only):	

Site Address

(The information provided here will be used on the final report, an additional fee will be charged for report amendments)

Please tick this box if the site information is the same as the invoice information.

Address 1:	Site Contact:
Address 2:	Tel:
Town/City:	Mob:
County:	Email:
Post Code:	

Payment Details:

Nett 30 days

☐ Bank Transfer	
☐ Credit/Debit Card	

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Where required please select your preferred overheating assessment method:

Approved Document O (ADO) of the Building Regulations ☐

Acoustics, Ventilation and Overheating Guide (AVOG) Jan 2020 v11 ☐

The default should none of the above be selected would be to not assess overheating

NOTE: Additional fees may apply if both are required.

Once this form has been returned along with any accompanying documents, we will open a project file in our database and proceed with the works.