

WAVERLEY COUNCIL REQUIREMENTS FOR NOISE MANAGEMENT PLANS

A Development Consent may request an acoustic report or investigation to be carried out as a condition of consent. This page provides guidance for the requirements.

In any case, an acoustic report of investigation must be prepared by a suitably qualified person who possesses the qualifications to render them eligible for membership of the Australian Acoustic Society, Institution of Engineers Australia or the Australian Association of Acoustic Consultants.

- **ACOUSTIC REPORT FOR DEMOLITION, EXCAVATION AND CONSTRUCTION WORKS**

If your development consent requires you to submit a noise management plan for construction works, the plan must include (but not be limited to) the following:-

- (a) Identification of nearby residents and other sensitive locations near to the site
- (b) Description of hours of work and what work practices will be applied to minimise noise
- (c) Confirmation of the level of community consultation that has, is and will be undertaken with Building Managers/occupiers/residents of noise sensitive properties likely to be affected by site works and the operation of plant/machinery particularly during the demolition and excavation phases and any private arrangements that may be made
- (d) Confirmation of noise methodology that is to be undertaken during the main stages of work at neighbouring noise sensitive properties in order to keep complaints to a minimum and to ensure that noise from site works complies with Council's noise criteria. Details of noise monitoring techniques and method of reporting results
- (e) What plant and equipment is to be used on site, the level of sound mitigation measures to be undertaken in each case and the criteria adopted in their selection taking into account the likely noise impacts on the occupiers of neighbouring property and other less intrusive technologies available
- (f) The methodology to be employed for handling and investigating any complaints should they arise, including documentation and feedback mechanisms
- (g) Identification of a site contact person to follow up on complaints and site signage erected to advise of persons name and contact details
- (h) Details of mitigation measures to control noise from the site, the noise reduction likely and the feasibility and reasonableness of these measures
- (i) Details of work schedules for all construction phases.

- **ACOUSTIC REPORT FOR USE**

If your development consent requires an Acoustic Report for use of the site, then the investigation must include (but not limited to) the following;

- (a) The identification of sensitive noise receivers potentially impacted by the proposal
- (b) The quantification of the existing acoustic environment at the receiver locations (measurement techniques and assessment period should be fully justified and in accordance with relevant Australian Standards and NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) requirements)
- (c) The formation of a suitable assessment criteria having regard to the operational conditions of the development consent (if applicable) and guidelines contained in the NSW EPA Industrial Noise Policy
- (d) The identification of operational noise producing facets of the use and the subsequent measurements of resultant noise at the identified sensitive receiver locations from the operation of the use
- (e) A statement indicating that the operation of the premises complies with the conditions of this consent together with details of acoustic and/or management control measures that will be incorporated into the development/use, will not create adverse noise impacts to surrounding development;
- (f) Details of management of noise from patrons within the premises and their exit and dispersal from the area, and other such operational matters to ensure compliance with relevant regulatory requirements. This is required for licenced premises only.

For further information on these requirements, please contact Council's Environmental Health Officer on 9083 8000.