

TENTERDEN TOWN COUNCIL

The Town and Hundred of Tenterden



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Ms. T. Kerly
Chief Executive
Ashford Borough Council

12th April 2023

Dear Tracey,

Re: ABC Planning Applications for Air Source Heat Pumps at Tenterden Leisure Centre

Following the letter sent on 6th April 2022, we omitted to reiterate one of the conditions that we provided in our objection on the planning portal regarding the overnight running of the air source heat pumps (see point 2 below). Therefore, I would like to provide this information below to ensure that the pumps are not in use overnight:

If Ashford Planning Department decide to approve this application, Tenterden Town Council strongly recommends the following condition:

- 1. Once the installation of Phase 2 is complete with the appropriate quality design of acoustic barriers and other measures, a new acoustic assessment is undertaken by the applicant. This would be to measure the accumulative noise of all the air conditioning units and source heat pumps during the day and overnight to ensure the noise level is below 30 dBA. This information is to be shared with Tenterden Town Council and the immediate local community. Until this is complete, the application is not allowed to use Phase 1 and Phase 2 installations.*
- 2. The heat pump units are not used between 11:00 pm and 7:00 am seven days per week.*

We would like to strongly recommend that consultation takes place with the community before the noise assessment is undertaken.

Yours sincerely,

D. Baines

Debbie Baines
Town Clerk

c.c. Tracey Butler, Ashford Borough Council
Cllr. John Crawford, Tenterden Town Council