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Mark

I have looked at the noise impact assessment (NIA) and lighting assessment for this application and my comments are as follows:

1. Noise Impact Assessment – the NIA in principle is acceptable. However, there are some aspects of it that are non-committal and, in my opinion, require clarification. For example, there is some uncertainty as to whether piling will take place and should this be part of the construction phase, it would be of concern and would need to be controlled very carefully. It could be that we pick this up, and other points, by requesting a detailed construction method statement. Also, whilst I appreciate that noise from fixed plant is currently unknown, fixed limits have been set, but unless these fixed limits are conditioned, I am not sure how useful they are.
2. Lighting assessment – whilst the report goes into detail about the levels of lighting that need to be achieved at different areas on site, and what type of lighting will be installed to achieve such, it does not deal with the impact of light emissions off-site at nearest receptors. We would expect such a report to predict, assess and verify light emissions (including glare) at nearest receptors in accordance with relevant lighting guidance including, but not restricted to the following by the Institution of Lighting Professionals: <https://theilp.org.uk/publication/guidance-note-1-for-the-reduction-of-obtrusive-light-2021/?nowprocket=1>

The applicant may want to consider supplying contour maps or virtual plans to depict predicted light emissions on and off site.

I trust that this information is of assistance, please let me know if you have any queries or require further information.

Kind regards,

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