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1. INTRODUCTION

EnviroTech has been requested by PreTech Pty Ltd to undertake an acoustic assessment of the proposed torrens title subdivision and construction of 8 single storey senior housing dwellings, at 1A Leonay Parade, LEONAY 2750 (hereafter referred to as the site).

The purpose of this assessment is to accurately predict potential noise levels generated by the proposal and to assess the impact of these noise levels on the nearest receptors, in accordance with the NSW Government's relevant noise criteria. The noise assessment will also include the discussion of the development and the potential impacts during the construction stage of the residential buildings.

This assessment has been prepared in accordance with:

- NSW Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 (POEO Act)
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act (1979)
- The Noise Policy for Industry NSW EPA (2017)
- The Noise Guide for Local Government (DECCW, 2009)
- NSW Department of Planning "Development near rail corridors and busy roads" 2008
- Assessing Vibration: a technical guideline (DECC 2006)
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007
- Building Code of Australia

Proposal

The site to be developed is located at 1A Leonay Parade, LEONAY (LOT 1101 DP 1217686) (Figure 1), and covers a total area of approximately 2,202m². A site layout is provided in Figure 2 showing the proposed development and the closest residential receivers from the proposal. The proposed development is for a torrens title subdivision consisting of 2 lots and the construction of 8 single storey seniors housing dwellings. The location of the site is on the outskirts of the Leonay Golf Couse and near the golf maintenance shed.

In accordance with the EPAs Industrial Noise Policy (INP), the surrounding noise amenity of the site is classified as <u>Suburban</u>.

The hours of operation of the golf course and maintenance shed is provided in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Hours of operation

	Hours of operation
Golf Course	9:00 am — 1:00 am
Golf Maintenance Shed	5:30 am – 3:00 pm



Figure 1: Aerial photograph of the site. Red star indicates logger placement.

Surrounding Closest Residential/School Classroom/Active Recreational Area Noise Receptors Potentially Impacted by the Proposed Development and the Construction Phase of the Proposed Development.

There are a number of residential properties located within the vicinity of the site on all aspects, and the closest boundaries of these properties on the differing aspects of the site are:

- 3A Leonay Parade, Leonay. Single storey residential house located to the south/south west of subject site. 7m from site boundary.
- 12 / 12A Leonay Parade, Leonay. Single storey residence located to the north east of subject site. 23m from site boundary.
- 10 Leonay Parade, Leonay. Single storey residential house located to the north east of subject site. 30m from site boundary.

Other buildings located within the vicinity of the site that may be potentially impacted by the proposed development include:

- Leonay Public School Playground. School playground located to the south east of subject site. 20m from site boundary.
- Leonay Public School Classrooms. Internal learning areas of the school located to the south east of subject site. 150m from site boundary.



Figure 2: Proposed subdivision/development and potential noise receptors from the proposed.



Figure 3: Logger Location

2. Noise Assessment Criteria

This section reviews the NSW Government criteria for other noise sources and developments. These may be used as a basis for realistic noise goals from meeting halls to residential receivers.

NSW Government Criteria

The NSW Government, via the Office of Environment & Heritage provides guidelines for many industrial, commercial and domestic types of noise sources. The primary aim of environmental noise control is to minimise the occurrence of offensive noise in the community.

Offensive noise is defined in the NSW Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 (POEO Act) as being noise:

- a) That, by reason is of its level, nature, character or quality, or the time at which it is made, or other circumstances:
 - i. is harmful to (or is likely to be harmful to) a person who is outside the premises from which it is emitted, or
 - ii. interferes unreasonably with (or is likely to Interfere unreasonably with) the comfort or repose of a person who is outside the premises from which it is emitted, or
- b) That, is of a level, nature, character or quality prescribed by the regulations or that is made at a time or in other circumstances, prescribed by the regulations.

The NSW Government also state that social surveys have indicated that noise from any particular source will be audible to many people in the community when that noise exceeds the background level by more than 5 decibels (dB). The noise may have characteristics which are pleasant or unpleasant to the listener.

Technically the background is found from the noise level that is present for 90% of the time of the measurement periods (usually 15 minutes each) and this is known as the LA90, 15 minute.

The source noise is found from the 'equivalent continuous A-weighted sound pressure level' (again usually 15 minutes samples), which is known as the LAeq, 15 minute.

The Noise Guide for Local Government

The Noise Guide for Local Government published by the NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (2004 updated 2009) states:- 'A noise source is generally considered to be intrusive if noise from the source, when measured over a 15 minute period exceeds the background noise by more than 5 dB'. It is assessed at the most affected point on or within the neighbouring residential property (unless that residence is more than 30 metres from the boundary). Intrusive noise can represent offensive noise. However, it is stated in the Noise Guide for Local Government that this is not always the case and it can depend upon the source of the noise, noise characteristics and cumulative noise levels.

Noise Policy for Industry (INP)

The Noise Policy for Industry (INP; DECC) is used to assess noise from industrial noise sources, scheduled under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. This is a statutory document referred to by consultants when attempting to control short-term intrusive impacts upon sensitive receptors (i.e. nearby residents), and when attempting to maintain noise level amenities for particular land uses.

In accordance with the INP, there are two criteria which need to be considered when assessing industrial noise. These are:

- 1) Intrusive Noise Criterion
- 2) Noise Amenity Criteria.

Both of these criterions need to be satisfied under the INP. In this situation the cumulative impact over the day and evening periods would be significantly less than the peak periods which would cover continuous activity over any one 15 minute period. Therefore, the Noise Amenity Criterion would be the most stringent of the two noise criteria.

Intrusive Noise Criterion

The NSW Government in their Noise Policy for Industry NSW EPA (2017), states that: - 'The intrusiveness of an industrial noise source may generally be considered acceptable if the equivalent continuous (energy-average) A-weighted level of noise from the source (represented by the LAeq descriptor) measured over a 15 minute period, does not exceed the background noise level measured in the absence of the source by more than 5 dB.' Thus, when considering the environmental consequence of noise from a specific source, any increase above the background sound pressure level, which exceeds 5 dB, may be offensive. Again, it is assessed at the most affected point on or within the neighbouring residential property (unless that residence is more than 30 metres from the boundary).

The NSW Government state that where the existing background noise level at the receptor is less than 30 dBA, as may occur in a quiet suburban or rural area, then 30 dBA should be assumed to be the existing background noise level.

The intrusiveness criterion is primarily used to limit short term noise impacts, and is summarized as follows:

L_{Aeq}, _{15 minutes} ≤ rating background noise level + 5dB

The intrusiveness of an industrial noise source is generally considered acceptable if the equivalent continuous (A weighted) noise level $L_{Aeq,\ 15\ minutes}$ does not exceed the rated background noise level by more than 5dB(A).

Noise Amenity Criteria

The Noise Amenity Criteria is used to limit the potential of noise annoyance over longer periods, which may occur as a result of continual increases in background noise.

The Noise Policy for Industry states that 'To limit continuing increases in noise levels, the maximum ambient noise level within an area from industrial noise sources should not normally exceed the acceptable noise levels specified in Table 2.1."

TABLE 2 – RECOMMENDED NOISE LEVELS FROM INDUSTRIAL NOISE SOURCES.

Type of Receiver	Indicative Noise Amenity	Time of Day		ded LAeq Noise el (dBA)
	Area	Juy	Acceptable	Recommended Maximum
		Day	50	55
	Rural	Evening	45	50
		Night	40	45
		Day	<mark>55</mark>	<mark>60</mark>
	<mark>Suburban</mark>	Evening	<mark>45</mark>	<mark>50</mark>
Residence		<mark>Night</mark>	<mark>40</mark>	<mark>45</mark>
Residence		Day	60	65
	Urban	Evening	50	55
		Night	45	50
	Urban/Industrial	Day	65	70
	Interface – for existing	Evening	55	60
	situations only	Night	50	55
School Classroom -	All	Noisiest 1-hour	<mark>35</mark>	40
Internal	All 	period when in use	33	40
Active Recreation Area (e.g. playground)	All	When in use	<mark>55</mark>	<mark>60</mark>
Commercial premises	All	When in use	65	70
Industrial premises	All	When in use	70	75

Notes:

- Daytime is defined as between 07:00 hours and 18:00 hours
- Evening time is defined as between 18:00 hours and 22:00 hours
- Night time is defined as between 22:00 hours and 07:00 hours

NSW Government Criteria for Domestic Air Conditioners.

The Protection of the Environment Operations (Noise Control) Regulation 2008 Part 4 - Miscellaneous articles, Division 2 - Use of Articles, Subdivision 1 – Time limits on the use of certain articles. Paragraph 52 - Air conditioners (1) states:

'A person must not cause or permit an air conditioner or heat pump water heater to be used on residential premises in such a manner that it emits noise that can be heard within a habitable room in any other residential premises (regardless of whether any door or window to that room is open).

- a) Before 8 am or after 10 pm on any Saturday, Sunday or public holiday, or
- b) Before 7 am or after 10 pm on any other day.

Interim Construction Noise Guideline (ICNG)

The NSW Environment Protection Authority published the Interim Construction Noise Guideline in July 2009. While some noise from construction sites is inevitable, the aim of the Guideline is to protect the majority of residences and other sensitive land uses from noise pollution most of the time.

Construction noise is one of the major environmental noise issues in NSW – not only from building works but also from demolition, remediation, renewal and maintenance. Construction can generate high noise levels that can adversely affect:

- sleep
- concentration, and thus learning performance
- mental and physical health

This guideline provides noise goals that assist in assessing the impact of construction noise.

The main objectives of the Guideline are to:

- promote a clear understanding of ways to identify and minimise noise from construction works
- focus on applying all 'feasible' and 'reasonable' work practices to minimise construction noise impacts
- encourage construction to be undertaken only during the recommended standard hours
 (Table 1), unless approval is given for works that cannot be undertaken during these hours
- streamline the assessment and approval stages and reduce time spent dealing with complaints at the project implementation stage
- provide flexibility in selecting site-specific feasible and reasonable work practices in order to minimise noise impacts.

For residences, the basic daytime construction noise goal is that the LAeq, 15min noise management level should not exceed the background noise by more than 10dBA. This is for standard hours: Monday to Friday 7.00am-6.00pm, and Saturday 8.00am-1.00pm. Outside the standard hours,

where construction is justified, the noise management level would be background + 5dBA. Table 3 details the ICNG noise management levels.

TABLE 3 – Construction noise at residences using quantitative assessment.

Time of day	Management level L _{Aeq (15 min)} *	How to apply
Recommended standard hours: Monday to Friday 7 am to 6 pm Saturday 8 am to 1 pm No work on Sundays or public holidays	 The noise affected level represents the point above which there may be some community reaction to noise. Where the predicted or measured L_{Aeq (15 min)} is greater than the noise affected level, the proponent should apply all feasible and reasonable work practices to meet the noise affected level. The proponent should also inform all potentially impacted residents of the nature of works to be carried out, the expected noise levels and duration, as well as contact details. 	
	Highly noise affected 75 dB(A)	 The highly noise affected level represents the point above which there may be strong community reaction to noise. Where noise is above this level, the relevant authority (consent, determining or regulatory) may require respite periods by restricting the hours that the very noisy activities can occur, taking into account: times identified by the community when they are less sensitive to noise (such as before and after school for works near schools, or mid-morning or mid-afternoon for works near residences if the community is prepared to accept a longer period of construction in exchange for restrictions on construction times.
Outside recommended standard hours	Noise affected RBL + 5 dB	 A strong justification would typically be required for works outside the recommended standard hours. The proponent should apply all feasible and reasonable work practices to meet the noise affected level. Where all feasible and reasonable practices have been applied and noise is more than 5 dB(A) above the noise affected level, the proponent should negotiate with the community. For guidance on negotiating agreements see section 7.2.2.

Construction noise at offices, retail outlets: external LAeq (15 min) 70 dB(A).

3. BACKGROUND & AMBIENT NOISE MEASUREMENTS

1. Determination Method: Long-term continuous sampling

2. Noise Logger Location: See Site Plan, Figure 1

3. Survey Period: 19th November (10:40am) – 27th November (4:10pm)

4. Assessment Time Period: All Hours

5. Monitoring Conditions:

Heavy winds were recorded for the 22nd of November (up to 69km/h) and on the 23rd of November (up to 72km/h), resulting in the data being withdrawn for those dates.

No further unusual circumstances or activities

6. Instrumentation: 'ARL' - Type 2 Environmental Noise Logger (Rion NL-42)

(Serial number 873126), This instrument conforms to

Australian Standard 1259 "Acoustics - Sound Level Meters",

(1990) and has an accuracy suitable for both field and laboratory use. The logger was set for the 'A' frequency

weighting and 'fast' time weighting.

7. Calibration: The environmental noise logger and calibrator have been

checked, adjusted and aligned before and after the

measurement period, to conform to the Bruel and Kjrer or

RTA factory specifications. Both have been issued with

conformance certificates within the last 24 months as

required by the regulations. The internal test equipment

used is traceable to the National Measurement Laboratory at C.S.I.R.O., Lindfield, NSW, Australia. No significant system

drift occurred over the measurement periods. Current

calibration certificate in appendix

8. Results:

The recorded LA90 levels determine the Rating Background Level (RBL). The RBL is defined as the median value of the tenth percentile value for the recorded LA90 levels for the complete monitoring period. The tenth percentile is also referred to as the Assessment Background Level (ABL).

The resultant RBL (LA90) and ambient (LAeq) levels for each period are summarised below in Table 4. Section 9 of the report contains a geographical presentation of the background noise levels generated from the monitoring period.

TABLE 4 – Summary of existing noise levels

Time of Day	Rating Background Noise Level (L90) dBA	Log Average Existing Ambient Noise Levels (LAeq) dBA
Day (7am – 6pm)	42.63	51.70
Evening (6pm – 10pm)	41.69	53.97
Night (10pm – 7am)	37.75	47.48

4. Noise goals

As discussed above the assessment procedure given in the Noise Policy for Industry NSW EPA (2017) has two components: Controlling intrusive noise impacts and maintaining noise level amenity. Based on existing ambient noise levels, site specific noise goals from the proposal should not exceed a LAeq level of 47.63 dBA (42.63 + 5 – intrusive noise criterion) for the daytime. Site specific noise goals from this proposal should not exceed a LAeq levels of 45 dBA for the evening and 40 dBA for the night. These are shown in the table below:

TABLE 5 – Noise goal for the proposed senior housing dwellings on neighboring receivers

Time Of Day	Intrusiveness Criterion	Amenity Criteria
Day Time	47.63dBA (LAeq,15min)	55 dBA LAeq,
Evening	46.69dBA (LAeq,15min)	45 dBA LAeq,
Night	42.75dBA (LAeq,15min)	40 dBA LAeq,

Notes:

- The criteria in **BOLD** apply being the lower of either the Intrusiveness Criterion or the Amenity Criterion.

TABLE 6 – School Classroom (Internal) Noise Goals

Time Of Day	Noise Goal
Day Time	35dBA (LAeq,15min)

TABLE 7- Active Recreational Area (Playground) Noise Goals

Time Of Day	Noise Goal
Day Time	55dBA (LAeq,15min)

Construction Noise

For residences, the basic daytime construction noise goal is that the LAeq, 15min noise management level should not exceed the background noise by more than 10dBA. This is for standard hours: Monday to Friday 7.00am-6.00pm, and Saturday 8.00am-1.00pm.

Time Of Day	Allowable Criterion
Day Time (7am – 6pm)	Residence 52.63 dBA (LAeq,15min)

Vibration Construction

Human Comfort

Criteria for assessment of the effects of vibration on human comfort are set out in British Standard 6472-1992. Methods and criteria in that Standard are used to set "preferred" and "maximum" vibration levels in the document "Assessing Vibration: A Technical Guideline" (2006) produced by the NSW EPA.

Acceptable values of human exposure to continuous vibration, such as that associated with drilling, are dependent on the time of day and the activity taking place in the occupied space (e.g. workshop, office, residence or a vibration-critical area). Guidance on preferred values for continuous vibration is set out below in Table 8.

Table 8: Acceptable vibration dose values for intermittent vibration (m/s ^{1.75})

Table 2.4 Acceptable vibration dose values for intermittent vibration (m/s^{1.75})

Location	Daytime ¹		Night-time ¹	Night-time ¹	
	Preferred value	Maximum value	Preferred value	Maximum value	
Critical areas ²	0.10	0.20	0.10	0.20	
Residences	0.20	0.40	0.13	0.26	
Offices, schools, educational institutions and places of worship	0.40	0.80	0.40	0.80	
Workshops	0.80	1.60	0.80	1.60	

 $^{1\,}$ Daytime is 7.00 am to 10.00 pm and night-time is 10.00 pm to 7.00 am.

Criteria for building structures

When assessing potential vibration impacts on building structures, the velocity and direction of the movement is measured. The measurement is referred to as the Peak Particle Velocity (PPV), presented in mm/s.

Vibration from construction activities, with regard to building damage, is assessed using the German standard DIN 4150: Part 3 – 1999 *Effects of Vibration on Structures* (DIN Guideline). The DIN Guideline values for PPV measured at the foundation of various structures are summarised in Table 9 below.

Table 9: Guideline Values of vibration velocity for evaluating the effects of short term vibration.

Type of structure	Guideline values for velocity, vi (mm/s)				
				Vibration at horizontal	
	1 Hz to 10 Hz	10 Hz to 50 Hz	50 Hz to 100 Hz*	plane of highest floor at all frequencies	
Buildings used for commercial purposes, industrial buildings and buildings of similar design	20	20 to 40	40 to 50	40	
Dwellings and buildings of similar design and/or use	5	5 to 15	15 to 20	15	
Structures that, because of their sensitivity to vibration, do not correspond to those listed in lines 1 and 2 and are of great intrinsic value (eg heritage structures / buildings that are under a preservation order)	3	8 to 10	8 to 10	8	
* For frequencies above 1	* For frequencies above 100Hz, at least the values specified in this column shall be applied				

From the guidelines outlined above, the following vibration criteria have been determined for the Project.

Type of structure	Guideline values for velocity, vi (mm/s)			
	Vibration at the foundation at a frequency of: Vibration at horizontal			
	1 Hz to 10 Hz	10 Hz to 50 Hz	50 Hz to 100 Hz*	plane of highest floor at all frequencies
Buildings used for commercial purposes, industrial buildings and buildings of similar design	20	20 to 40	40 to 50	40

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Recommend design Levels and reverberation times for building interiors.

<u>Sound Insulation rating of floors</u>: A floor in a Class 2 or 3 building must have a Rw + Ctr (airborne) not less than 50 and an Ln,w (impact) not more than 62.

Sound Insulation rating of walls: A wall in a Class 2 or 3 building must—

- (i) have a Rw + Ctr (airborne) not less than 50, if it separates sole-occupancy units; and
- (ii) have a Rw (airborne) not less than 50, if it separates a sole-occupancy unit from a plant room, lift shaft, stairway, public corridor, public lobby or the like, or parts of a different classification; a

Sound Insulation rating of soil and waste pipes:

If a duct, soil, waste or water supply pipe, including a duct or pipe that is located in a wall or floor cavity, serves or passes through more than one sole-occupancy unit, the duct or pipe must be separated from the rooms of any sole-occupancy unit by construction with an Rw + Ctr (airborne) not less than— (i) 40 if the adjacent room is a habitable room (other than a kitchen); or (ii) 25 if the adjacent room is a kitchen or non-habitable room.

5. Noise Source Models

This section provides details of the calculations used for predicting noise levels and the resulting noise levels at the potentially affected residential receptors

Predicted Ongoing Noise Levels

Golf Cart

The below calculation was determined on the scenario of 2 electric golf carts and 4 people talking at a standardised level near the proposed senior housing development.

Total 15 minute average	75.8 dBA
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Two electric golf carts and 4 people were modelled as it will be extremely unlikely and infrequent situation that more than 2 golf carts and 4 people will be in the one area at the same time.

Mechanical Plant (Air-Conditioners)

Electrical, mechanical, hydraulic and air conditioning equipment is to be housed so that it does not create an 'offensive noise' as defined in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997, either within or at the boundaries of any property at any time of the day.

The below calculation was determined by the noise produced by a typical air-conditioner condenser.

Total 15 minute average	54 dBA

Maintenance Shed

The below calculation is of a worst case scenario if all noise generating sources from the maintenance shed of the golf course are emitting noise at the one time. Whilst this maybe highly unlikely it is best practice to calculate and model this scenario to show noise compliance at neighboring receivers whilst the proposed is at full noise capacity.

The major internal noise sources for the proposed are listed below.

Toro Reelmaster 3100.D Reel Trim Mower – 83 dBA
Sand Pro 3040 Grooming Maintenance Machine – 87 dBA
Agrimetal Leaf Blower – 87 dBA
John Deere 1200a Bunker Rake – 78 dBA
John Deere 7200A Precision Cut Mower – 83 dBA
Greensmaster 3150-Q Riding Greensmower – 84 dBA
Kubota L3300 Tractor – 80 dBA

The below calculation was determined on a worst case scenario of all the mowers/tractors being turned on at any one time at the maintenance shed.

Total 15 minute average - Daytime	92.5 dBA
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The calculated maximum internal noise level of the proposed is 92.5 dBA.

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Predicted External Noise Levels

The source noise has been modelled using the International Standard ISO 9613-2 (1996(E)) 'Acoustic - Attenuation of sound during propagation outdoors Part 2 General method of calculation '. This Standard specifies methods for the description of noise outdoors in community environments. The method described in the Standard is general in the sense that it may be applied to a wide variety of noise sources, and covers the major mechanism of attenuation. The method allows for downwind propagation conditions namely:

- Wind direction within an angle of ± 45° of the direction connecting the centre of the dominant sound source and the centre of the specified receiver region with the wind blowing from source to receiver,
- Wind speed between approximately 1 m/s and 5 m/s measured at a height of 3 m to 11 m above the ground.

Basic Noise Modelling Equations

The equivalent continuous downwind sound pressure level (LAeq) at each receiver point has been calculated using the equation below:-

$$L_{Aeq} = (L_{Aeq, int} + 10 log_{10} S - R) - 14 + D_c - A$$

Where:

L_{Aeq, int} is the reverberant noise level within the building;

S is the area of the building envelope radiating noise;

R is the sound reduction index of the building envelope component;

D_c is directivity correction; and

A is the attenuation that occurs during the propagation from source

to receiver.

The attenuation term A in the equation above is given by:-

 $A = A_{div} + A_{atm} + A_{gr} + A_{bar} + A_{misc}$

Where:

 A_{div} is the attenuation due to geometric divergence; A_{atm} is the attenuation due to atmospheric absorption; A_{gr} is the attenuation due to the ground effects;

 A_{bar} is the attenuation due to a barrier; and

 A_{misc} is the attenuation due to miscellaneous other effects.

Predicted Construction Noise Levels

The calculation of noise emission to the environment considers the surface area of the development radiating noise, the sound reduction index of the structural component and distance to the receiver location.

Construction Noise

Sound Power Levels (SWLs) for typical construction plant are identified below in Table 10.

Plant	Sound Power Level
Concrete Truck	109
Angle Grinder	109
Concrete Pump – 120 mm diameter / 50 bar	112
Concrete Saw	116
Mobile Crane	98
Dump Truck	108
Compressor	100
Bobcat	103
Hand Tools	90
Excavator	108
Crawler Cranes	98
Tower Crane	104
Front End Loader	112
Excavator	107
Hammer Hydraulic	122
Bored Pile Rig	112

Table 10: Typical construction plant noise.

Assessment of possible construction noise at surrounding receivers has been undertaken for the proposed construction works. Modelling has been conducted for a number of construction scenarios with plant located across the construction site.

Scenario A – Excavation Stage Scenario B – Building Construction

The construction noise modelling assumes a "typical worst-case" scenario whereby all plant, is running continuously. As such, the modelling represents likely noise levels that would occur during intensive periods of construction. Therefore, the presented noise levels can be considered in the upper range of noise levels that can be expected at surrounding receivers when the various construction scenarios occur.

Once noise sources have been applied to the model, the resultant noise levels at identified surrounding receivers are predicted. These results are then compared with established site-specific noise criteria.

The results of construction noise modelling for each scenario are presented in Table below.

Table 11: Predicted construction noise data on residential receivers

Residential Receiver	Predicted Noise Level (Dba)	NML (Dba)	Exceedance (Dba)	
Scenario A – Bulk Excavation				
A – 3A Leonay Parade	63.10	52.63	10.47	
B – 12/12A Leonay Parade	52.77	52.63	0.14	
C – 10 Leonay Parade	50.46	52.63	NIL	
Scenario B – Building Construction				
A – 3A Leonay Parade	55.10	52.63	2.47	
B – 12/12A Leonay Parade	44.77	52.63	NIL	
C – 10 Leonay Parade	42.46	52.63	NIL	

Exceedances of noise management levels of up to 10.47 dBA at neighboring residence boundaries to the south and east of the site may be expected during the excavation period when major equipment is located on site. This magnitude of exceedance is consistent with similar sites where residences overlook development sites.

Table 12: Predicted construction noise data on school

School	Predicted Noise Level (Dba)	NML (Dba)	Exceedance (Dba)	
Scenario A – Bulk Excavation				
A – Classroom	36.48	35	1.48	
B – Playground	53.98	55	NIL	
Scenario B – Building Construction				
A – Classroom	28.48	35	NIL	
B – Playground	45.98	55	NIL	

Exceedances of noise management levels of up to 1.48 dBA at the nearest school classroom to the east of the site may be expected during the excavation period when major equipment is located on site. This attenuation will be provided by the walls, roof, windows and door of the classroom.

During the construction stages the magnitude of exceedance will reduce due to the nature of construction activities. Based on these findings the adoption of reasonable and feasible noise management and mitigation will be required. These measures should be determined in detail when a contractor, with defined construction techniques, has been engaged on the project. However, "in-principle" mitigation measures are detailed in the following sections.

Construction Vibration

Operation of rock breakers and the like generate ground vibration that has the potential to transmit to nearby buildings. Table below sets out the typical ground vibration levels at various distances for safe working distances.

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Table 13: Recommended Safe Working Distances for Vibration-Intensive Plant

		Safe Working Distance		
Item	Description	Cosmetic Damage	Human Response	
Small Hydraulic Hammer	(300 kg – 5 to 12t excavator)	2m	7m	
Medium Hydraulic Hammer	(900 kg – 12 to 18t excavator)	7m	23m	
Large Hydraulic Hammer	(1600 kg – 18 to 34t excavator)	22m	73m	
Vibratory Pile Driver	Sheet piles	2m to 20m	20m	
Pile Boring	≤ 800 mm	2m (nominal)	N/A	
Jackhammer	Hand held	1m (nominal)	Avoid contact with structure	

The highest vibration levels will occur when construction equipment is located on the northern, eastern and southern side of the site near neighboring residences. A review of the site plant and surrounding receivers indicates that the minimum distance between the vibration generating activities and surrounding buildings will be in the order of 1-2m. Therefore, the use of medium to large rock breakers if used onsite should be carefully managed.

Structural damage vibration criteria in residential buildings are much higher than human comfort criteria, and predicted vibration levels are within these criteria under most circumstances.

6. Noise Assessment

The calculation of noise emission to the environment considers the surface area of the development

radiating noise, the sound reduction index of the structural component and distance to the receiver location. Surface areas and the construction of the walls, roof, windows and doors are determined

from the initial site inspection. The distance is measured from the proposed noise sources to the

nearest residential receivers.

With the recommendations correctly implemented, as specified in Section 7 below and discussion of existing building materials below, the activities from within the proposal **are** predicted to generate

sound pressure levels which are compliant at neighboring receivers.

The noise emission dBA to the nearest residential receptors were calculated as follows:

Golf Cart

The nearest sensitive receptor property boundary can be located roughly 10m from the potential

golf cart route.

75.8 - 20 LOG (10 / 1) = 55.8 dBA

Therefore, the minimum required 'Weighted Sound Reduction Index (Rw) from the golf cart route to the nearest proposed residential receptor property boundaries are **8.17 dBA** for the daytime, **10.8**

dBA for the evening and 15.8 dBA for the night.

This attenuation that is required can be achieved via the construction materials of the senior housing dwellings. The minimum building code requirements for the roof, walls, windows and door

will be sufficient to meet the noise goals of 15.8 dBA that is required.

Mechanical Plant (Air-conditioners).

mechanical plant at any proposed residency.

The nearest sensitive receptor property boundary can be located roughly 1m from the potential $\frac{1}{2}$

54 – 20 LOG (2 / 1) = **47.98 dBA**

Therefore, the minimum required 'Weighted Sound Reduction Index (Rw) from the air conditioner

condensers for the proposal to the nearest residential receptor property boundaries are 0.35 dBA

for the daytime, 2.98 dBA for the evening and 7.98 dBA for the night.

This attenuation that is required can be achieved via the construction materials of the senior housing dwellings. The minimum building code requirements for the roof, walls, windows and door

will be sufficient to meet the noise goals of 7.98 dBA that is required.

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Maintenance Shed

The proposed construction of the senior housing development is located 100m to the north east of the golf maintenance shed.

Therefore, the minimum required 'Weighted Sound Reduction Index (Rw) from the proposed senior housing development to the golf maintenance shed is **4.87 dBA** for the daytime, **7.5 dBA** for the evening and **12.5 dBA** for the night.

Considering the loudest machinery that may be used on the golf course (Sand Pro 3040 Grooming Maintenance Machine) is in operation 6m from the proposed senior housing development:

$$87 - 20 LOG (6 / 1) = 71.44 dBA$$

Therefore, the minimum required 'Weighted Sound Reduction Index (Rw) from the proposed senior housing development to the golf maintenance shed is **23.81 dBA** for the daytime, **26.44 dBA** for the evening and **31.44 dBA** for the night.

The following constructions details are indicative of the type of construction required to achieve the noise goals as previously recommended.

Roof Construction

The roof construction proposed that is selected is colorbond roof sheeting with sarking (Roof pitch at 22°). R 3.0 insulation or better is recommend over a 10mm plasterboard ceiling. When correctly constructed roof componentry will achieve a weighted reduction value of 40-45 dBA, far greater than the required 31.44 dBA.

Wall Construction

Design plans of the proposed senior housing development indicate the external walls of the structures are to be comprised of selected weather board planking, painted fresh. Sarking, minimum density insulation and 10mm plasterboard will achieve a weighted reduction value of 45-55 dBA. This is far above the required noise reduction required of 31.44 dBA.

Window Construction

The below recommendations are for the western and southern aspects of the proposed senior housing development only.

The windows that are proposed for this senior housing development are selected pre-painted windows in aluminimum frames. All externally exposed windows are to be as a minimum consisting of laminated 6.38mm glass, with full perimeter acoustic type seals. If double glazing is proposed the following configurating as a minimum is needed, 5mm/100mm gap/5mm. Both above

configurations will provide attenuations of 32-43 dBA. Further attenuation of the transmitted noise may achieved via:

- Use of laminated glass of greater thickness
- Double glazing of greater varied configuration (cavity and glass depth)

Door Construction

If timber doors are to be used externally, a 45mm single leaf solid core door within a steel frame with proprietary acoustic seals is required. This would give the overall door a rating of 33 Rw.

If glass doors are used two options are recommended. A double-glazed wide gap configuration is required; 4mm glass within non-sealed frames will provide a 35 dBA reduction or an 8.5mm thick laminated glass door which will provide a 32 dBA reduction. Further improvement upon the noise reduction is achievable via the implementation of various acoustically designed proprietary products.

Provided these proposed construction recommendations are adhered to the proposed senior housing development will be acoustically sufficient for construction in the proposed area.

7. RECOMMENDATIONS

Mechanical Plant (Air Conditioners)

Maximum noise emission levels for mechanical plant noise is to not exceed 56 dBA. Plant equipment with a higher dBA can be used in a sound booth which has the capacity to lower Rw by desired dBA.

Electrical, mechanical, hydraulic and air conditioning equipment is to be housed so that it does not create an 'offensive noise' as defined in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997, either within or at the boundaries of any neighboring property at any time of the day.

Differing models of air conditioners will provide differing noise emitting values. Acoustic Enclosures typically achieve performance between 15dB (A) to 25dB (A) with higher performance systems readily available.

It is recommended for the proposed building that external air conditioning units emit a noise level of 70 dBA or less. Providing an acoustic enclosure on a unit with a noise level of 70 dBA with a 25 dBA reduction, relevant noise goals at the relevant property boundaries will be achieved.

Construction Noise & Vibration Mitigation Measures

Noise levels from construction activities have been predicted to exceed the noise management levels nominated in the guidelines at some surrounding receivers. Therefore, noise control measures are recommended to ensure that noise is reduced where feasible.

The following project-specific mitigation measures are recommended:

- Selection of quietest feasible construction equipment;
- Localised treatment, such as barriers, shrouds and the like around fixed plant, such as pumps, generators and concrete pumps;
- Provision of respite periods, particularly on Saturdays;
- Limit noisy work to daylight or less sensitive hours where possible;
- Select low noise options for plant and equipment. Ensure equipment mufflers operate in a proper and efficient manner;
- Where possible, use quieter construction methods;
- Only have necessary equipment on-site and turn off when not in use;
- Ensure all plant and equipment is well maintained and where possible, fitted with silencing devices;
- Plan traffic flow, parking and loading/unloading areas to minimise reversing movements;

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- Plant Noise Audit Noise emission levels of all critical items of mobile plant and equipment should be checked for compliance with noise limits appropriate to those items prior to the equipment going into regular service;
- Operator Instruction Operators should be trained in order to raise their awareness of
 potential noise problems and to increase their use of techniques to minimise noise
 emission;
- Equipment Selection All fixed plant at the work sites should be appropriately selected, and
 where necessary, fitted with silencers, acoustical enclosures and other noise attenuation
 measures in order to ensure that the total noise emission from each work site complies
 with EPA guidelines;
- Site Noise Planning Where practical, the layout and positioning of noise-producing plant and activities on each work site should be optimised to minimise noise emission levels;
- An effective community relations program should be put in place to keep the community
 that has been identified as being potentially affected appraised of progress of the works,
 and to forewarn potentially affected groups (e.g. by letterbox drop, meetings with
 surrounding owners / tenants, etc.) of any anticipated changes in noise and vibration
 emissions prior to critical stages of the works, and to explain complaint procedures and
 response mechanisms;
- Close liaison should be maintained between the communities overlooking work sites and
 the parties associated with the construction works to provide effective feedback in regard
 to perceived noise emissions. In this manner, equipment selections and work activities can
 be coordinated where necessary to minimise disturbance to neighboring communities, and
 to ensure prompt response to complaints, should they occur;
- Identification of a site contact person to follow up any complaints, should they occur;

The adoption of the above measures is aimed at working towards achieving the construction noise management levels established at surrounding receivers.

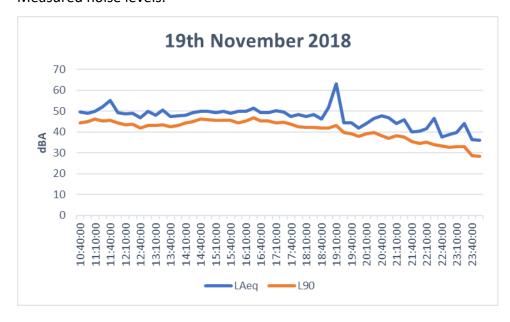
8. CONCLUSION

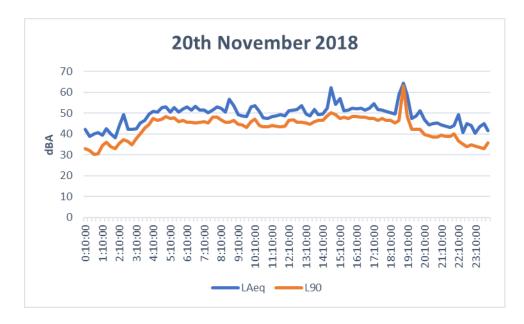
The acoustic assessment the proposed torrens title subdivision and senior housing development, at 1A Leonay Parade, LEONAY 2750 has determined that the noise generated from the proposal will be negligible once attenuation recommendations are put into place to the closest residential receivers.

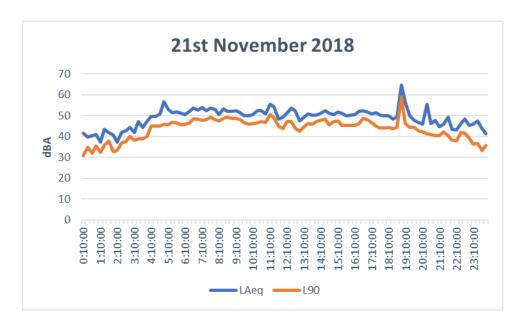
It is concluded that the proposed development is predicted to comply with the relevant noise goals providing the recommendations provided in Section 6 and 7 above are adhered to.

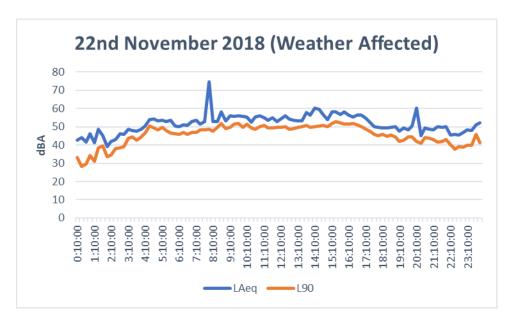
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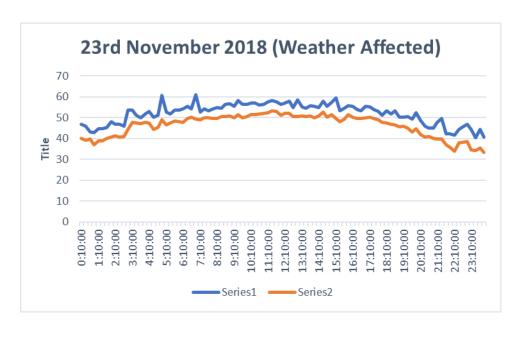
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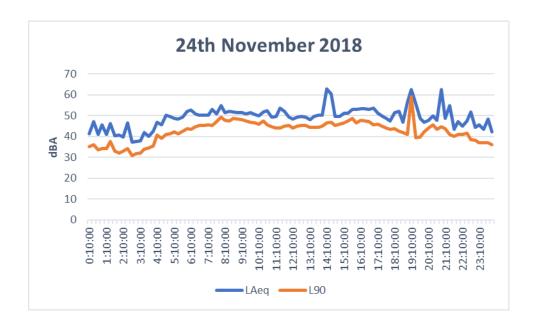


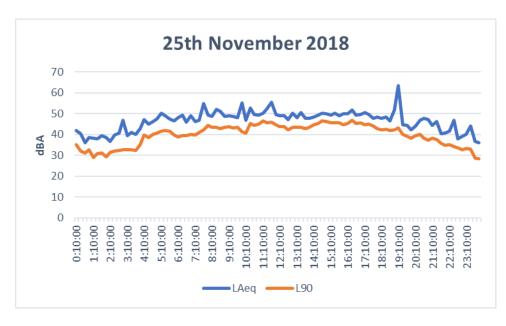


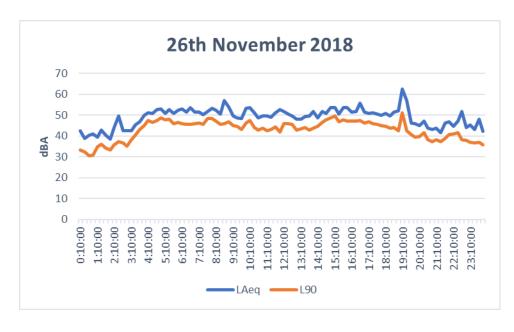




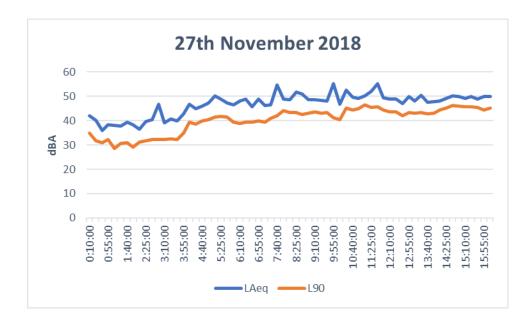


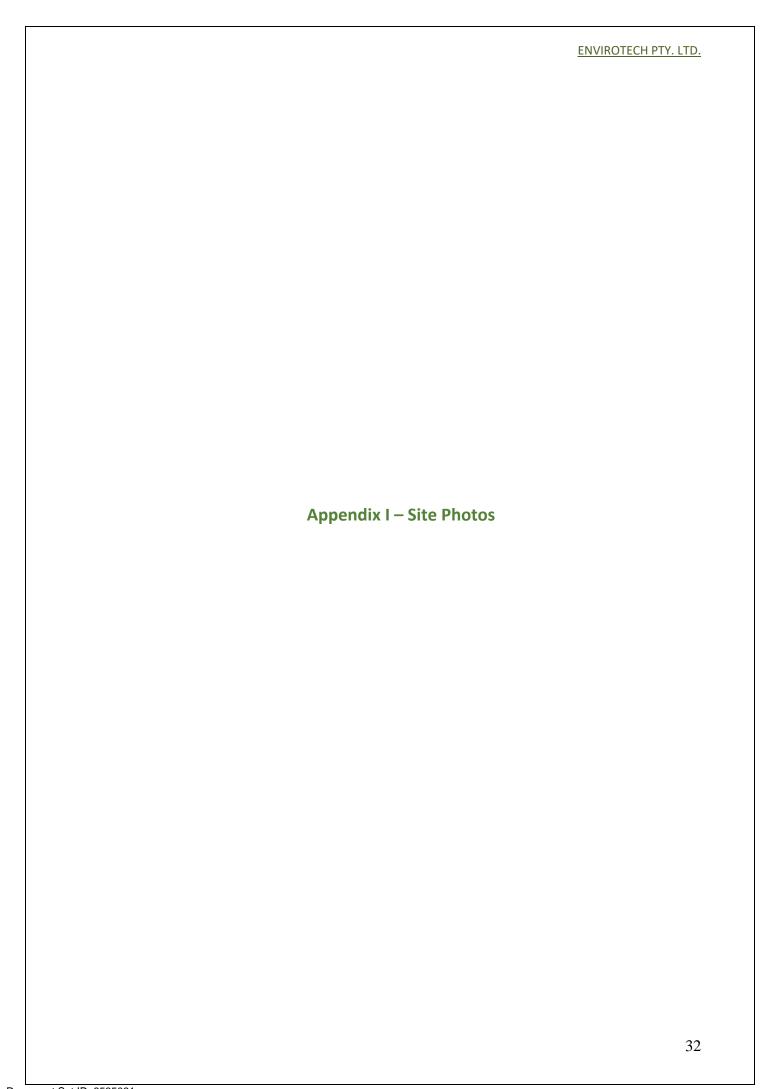






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Figure A1: Toro Reelmaster 3100.D Reel Trim Mower



Figure A2: Sand Pro 3040 Grooming Maintenance Machine



Figure A3: Agrimetal Leaf Blower



Figure A4: John Deere 1200a Bunker Rake



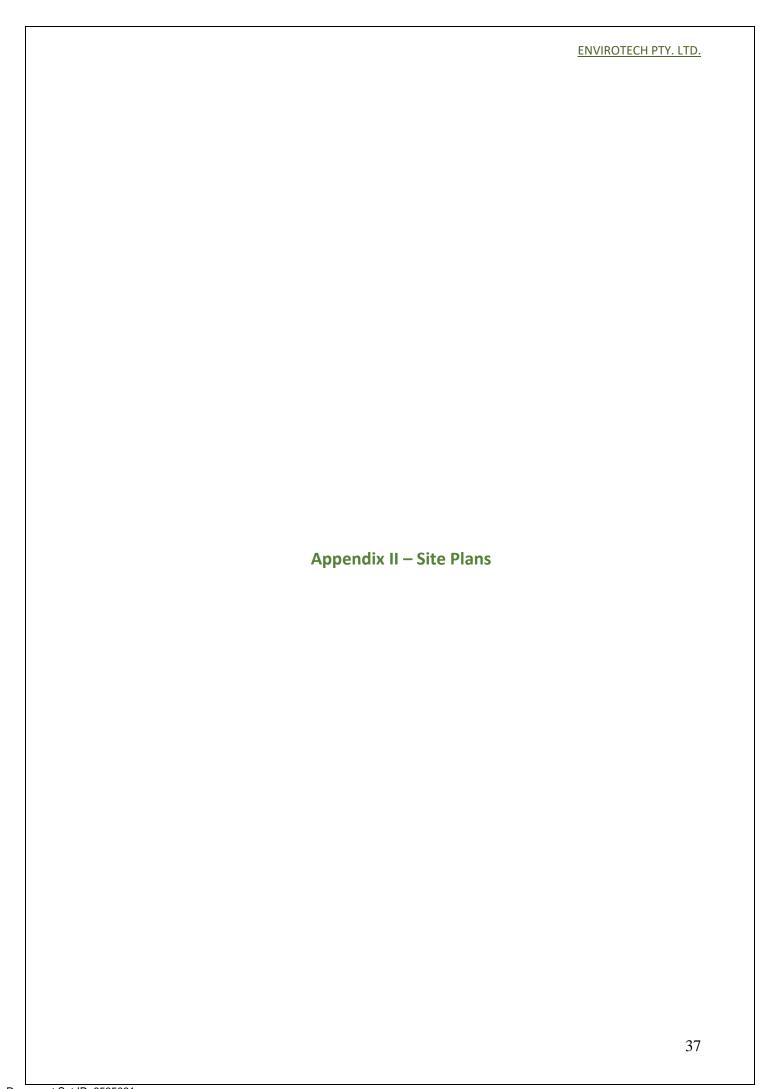
Figure A5: John Deere 7200A Precision Cut Mower



Figure A6: Greensmaster 3150-Q Riding Greensmower



Figure A7: Kubota L3300 Tractor



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SITE PLAN, GROUND FLOOR PLANS, SENIOR LIVING 2004 SPECIFICATION & DEVELOPMENT CALCULATIONS 1:250 A 01 1:250 A 02 FIRST FLOOR PLANS & SENIOR LIVING 2004 SPECIFICATION 1:200 A 03 **ELEVATIONS** 1:200 A 04 **ELEVATIONS, SECTION & THERMAL PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATION** SITE ANALYSIS PLAN 1:350 A 05 SHADOW ANALYSIS (June 22, 9.0am, 12.0 & 3.0pm) 1:400 A 06



Leonay Parade Facade



