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Dear Planning,

I write further to the above consultation and respond on behalf of HDC Environmental Health & Licensing Commercial team. The application seeks the change of use of an existing agricultural barn for use as a gym and farm office ("Building 1"), with reciprocal change of use at a nearby nursery building ("Building 2").

Both buildings are located in the primarily rural area of the district, although Building 1 is significantly closer to the nearest domestic properties, with these being located 70 metres and 100m to the east and west respectively, with the closest being 65m to the south. As a result, Building 1 will be the primary focus of this consultation in relation to the potential for noise disturbance.

It is noted that the orientation of Building 1 benefits noise breakout from the premises by locating its door facing north and it does not share a hard-standing with any neighbouring properties. However, no supporting noise assessment or noise management plan accompanies the application.

To this end, this Service makes the following recommendations for Conditions to prevent noise breakout from adversely impacting local amenity, should the application be permitted:

- 1) The premises is only to be open to the public between the hours of 06:30am and 19:30pm Monday to Friday inclusive.
- 2) Noise and vibration from the gym use, including any amplified music, is to be inaudible at the boundary of the application site.
- 3) No external plant is to be installed or operated without the express written permission of the Planning Authority.
- 4) Any works undertaken to initiate the premises for its use as a gym, including delivery to or dispatch from the site, are to be undertaken only between the hours of 07:00am and 18:00pm Monday to Friday inclusive.

If there is anything in this email that you do not understand, or if you have any other questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact this Service or myself directly.

Kind regards.

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