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From:

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Submission: Objection

Comments: I object to the application HPK/2023/0506.

Despite reading the application numerous times I cannot see the reasons for the removal of condition 5. This company has a long history of chemical spills and has undoubtedly caused harm to the environment by their actions. There has been a flagrant disregard for planning law and this company seem to believe they can undertake development whenever they feel like it without any consideration for their neighbours. Both HPBC environmental health and United Utilities requested condition 5 be instigated when Mortens received planning permission for a development they had completed without permission. It should be pointed out that Mortens were fined £40,000 for a serious chemical leak not long before this development took place. I can see no logical reason to withdraw a condition that was put in place for sound environmental reasons.

With regard to condition 1, I can categorically say that the pump's on Mortens site run outside of these hours and despite complaining to the council no action has been taken to stop this.

Condition 3 says that the noise level shall not exceed 45db when measured at 1 meter from the facade of any window or door of any current residential property. Again, I have complained to the council on numerous occasions about the level of noise from Mortens. It is not unusual to have 70 or 80 decibel levels coming from the site, sometimes for hours on end. Conditions 1,2,3 and 4 were put on the permission so as to provide protection for the neighbours from harmful noise. The noise level is still way outside what it should be and there can be no justification of altering these conditions.

Condition 5 was placed on the permission to provide protection for the environment. A company with a history of environmental problems such as Mortens, with numerous chemical spills already experienced on the site should under no circumstances have these restrictions lifted just so they can boost their profit margin. I note from the list of people written to over this application that United Utilities have not been contacted. I do believe that a decision such as this cannot possibly be taken without input from them.

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