

72260 – Hilsden Farm Stables, Ringley Road West, Radcliffe

It is noted that this is a Stage 1 Permission in Principle application to establish the principle of development. As such conditions cannot be recommended, but we raise comments below regarding the information required for submission at the subsequent Stage 2, Technical Details Consent stage. The proposal is for up to four dwellinghouses.

Contaminated Land

The site is currently in use as a livery and comprises a *cluster of buildings (including a barn) used for stabling for horses, associated containers used for ancillary storage, and a riding arena* as such there is the potential for contamination to be present. Furthermore, a sensitive end use is proposed. As such, to avoid pre-commencement conditions sufficient information must be submitted at Stage 2, Technical Details Consent stage, to demonstrate that no remedial measures are required or to agree such measures. Given that demolition is proposed as part of this application and will also need to be completed before (final) site investigation works are carried out it is not clear at this stage how this will be achieved. Further information regarding Land Contamination and the planning process can be found in Bury Council's [Developers Guide](#) and on the [Planning Portal](#). This Section can also be contacted directly to discuss.

Air Quality

For this type of development, it would be expected that parking would be included. The site is not located within an Air Quality Management Area. Due to the scale of the proposed development, it is considered very unlikely that the proposed development could create an increase of more than 500 AADT (annual average daily traffic). Therefore, in line with the EPUK Guidance, an air quality assessment will not be required.

Bury Council has been identified by DEFRA as an area requiring to significantly improve air quality. To support the principles of the Greater Manchester Clean Air Plan in reducing levels of nitrogen dioxide and in order to manage current and future levels of air pollution Bury Council is encouraging the use of cleaner vehicles. As such and in line the requirements of the Building Regulations (The Building Regulations 2010, [Approved Document S, Infrastructure for the charging of electric vehicles](#)), as part of the Stage 2, Technical Details Consent stage, the developer should provide information regarding Electric Vehicle Infrastructure to the following specification:

- 1 no. electric vehicle (EV) charging point (minimum 7kW*) per dwelling/parking space.

*Mode 3, 7kW (32A) single phase, or 22kW (32A) three phase, and for 50kW Mode 4 rapid charging may be required. British Standard BS EN 61851-1:2019 to be used.

Further information regarding minimum standards can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/transport/low-emission-and-electric-vehicles>.

Certification and photographic evidence of the installation of the agreed electric vehicle charge points will be required to be submitted to Local Planning Authority for approval prior to the development being brought into use. The infrastructure shall be maintained and operational in perpetuity.