BOXX STORAGE, IVY ARCH ROAD, WORTHING

CONDITION 7 / APPLICATION REF: AWDM/0655/21

ATTENUATING NOISE NOTE – JUNE 2024

1. Planning permission was granted by Worthing BC for the construction of storage building (use class B8), including vehicle parking and associated works on 23 September 2021, ref: AWDM/0655/21. The application site is the Boxx Storage self storage centre, Unit 1A Ivy Arch Road, Worthing. The proposals provide for an extension to the Boxx Storage centre, formerly trading as Ready Steady Store.

2. Condition 7 of the September 2021 planning permission requires a scheme to be submitted and approved for attenuating noise from the grilles / louvres serving the mechanical plant, so as to ensure there is no detrimental impact to the nearest residential dwellings.

3. The nature of a self storage centre, such as that operated by Boxx Storage, is that there are very low levels of noise, vibration and disturbance, in particular compared to a conventional warehouse use. The use is a passive use. It is highly relevant that the proposed building will not include mechanical plant. Notably, Boxx Storage do not have a requirement to mechanically heat or cool their buildings.

4. In this case, there will be no noise generated from grilles / louvres or any other openings. In any event, the nearest residential properties have long rear gardens and are sufficiently distant from the proposed building. Plus it is proposed to plant trees on the northern boundary adjacent to the proposed building, giving a greater degree of protection to residential properties.

5. For the above reasons, it is not necessary to provide any further information to satisfy the requirements of condition 7. In conclusion, there will be no harm to nearby residential properties.