



# Environmental Noise Assessment

Proposed Mixed Use Development

At 5 Hercules Street, Hamilton

On behalf of Limitless Residential No.9 Pty Ltd

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## Executive Summary

TTM was engaged by Limitless Residential No.9 Pty Ltd to undertake an environmental noise assessment of a proposed mixed-use development located at 5 Hercules Street, Hamilton. The assessment was based on the Northshore Hamilton Priority Development Area (PDA) planning scheme (October 2022) with additional reference to the Brisbane City Council City Plan 2014 Planning Scheme.

Unattended noise monitoring was undertaken to establish the existing ambient noise levels. City Plan 2014 planning scheme codes and overlays were utilised where relevant and acceptable outcomes applied. Remaining noise (outdoor dining, function use) was assessed onto the nearest noise sensitive receivers.

Compliance with the Northshore Hamilton PDA scheme and City Plan 2014 planning scheme is predicted to be achieved based on the recommendations outlined in Section 7 of this report.

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Background

TTM was engaged by Limitless Residential No.9 Pty Ltd to undertake an environmental noise assessment of a proposed mixed-use development located at 5 Hercules Street, Hamilton. This report will form part of a development application for consideration by Economic Development Queensland (EDQ).

## 1.2 References

This report is based on the following:

- Northshore Hamilton Priority Development Area Development Scheme (October 2022)
- Brisbane City Council *City Plan 2014*
- *Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy* - Schedule 6, City Plan 2014
- Development plans shown in Appendix A
- Site inspection, noise measurements, analysis and calculations conducted by TTM

## 1.3 Scope

The assessment includes the following:

- Description of the development site and proposal
- Measurement of existing ambient noise levels and statement of assessment criteria relating to environmental noise emissions
- Assessment of the external noise environment.
- Assessment of noise generated by the development onto nearby noise sensitive receivers.
- Details of noise control recommendations to be incorporated to achieve predicted compliance.

## 2 Site Description

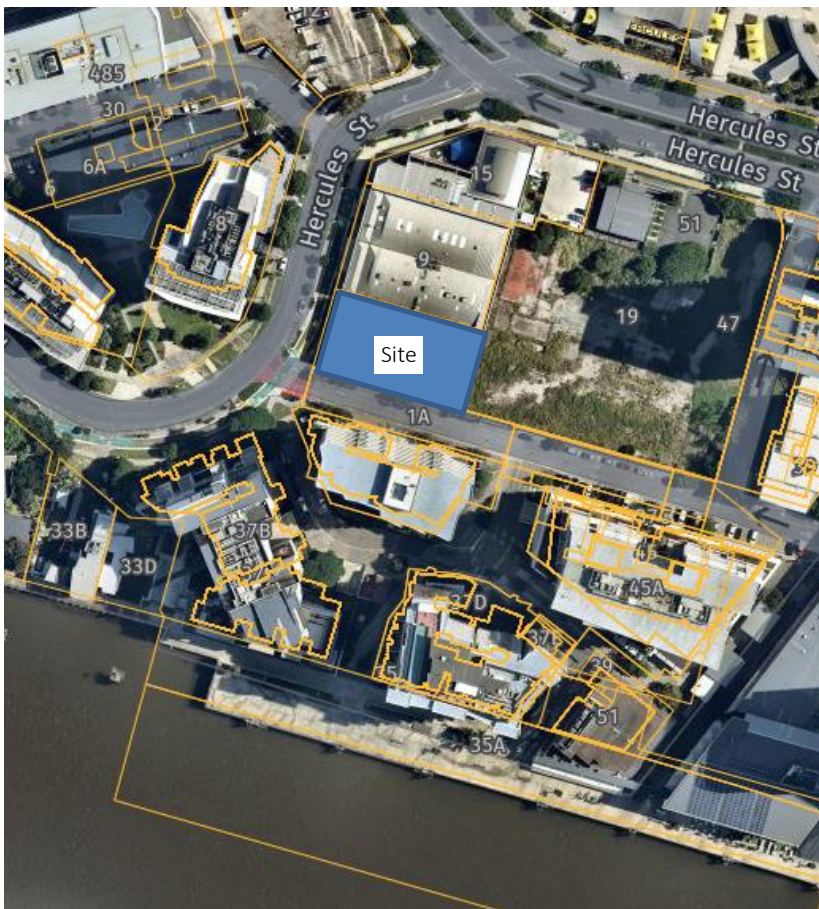
### 2.1 Site Location

The site is described by the following:

- 5 Hercules Street, Hamilton

The site locality is shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1: Site Locality



### 2.2 Description of Surrounding Environment

The site is bound by Hercules Street to the west, commercial properties to the north, a lane way to the south and approved, future residential properties to the east. The current acoustic environment primarily consists of local road traffic noise.



# 3 Proposed Development

## 3.1 Development Description

The proposal is a mixed-use development comprising of the following:

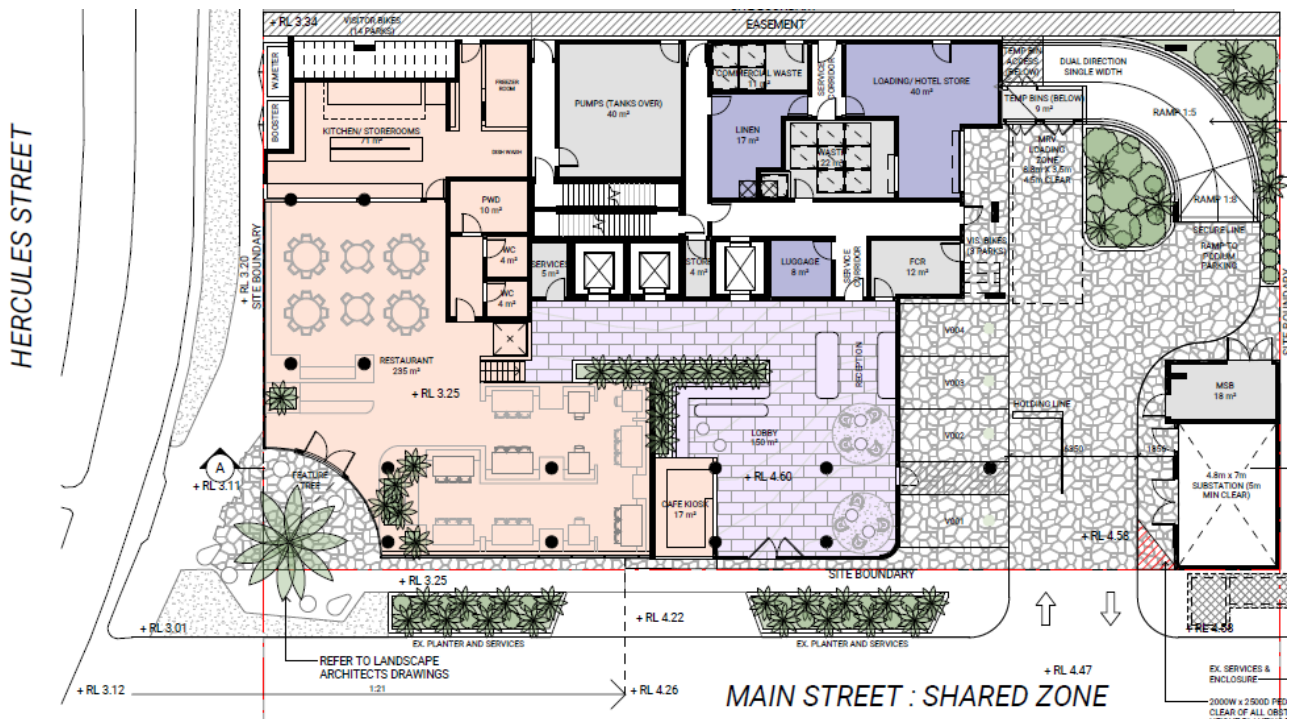
- Ground floor restaurant space
- Podium level car parking
- Hotel and residential use facilities (Levels 3 & 4) including function use and restaurant
- Hotel accommodation (Levels 5 - 12)
- Residential accommodation (Levels 13 – 22)

Proposed hours of operation are:

- Restaurant / cafe (ground floor) between 6am – 10pm
- Hotel and residential use facilities (Levels 3 & 4) between 7am – 10pm

A plan of the development is shown in Figure 2. Further development plans are provided in Appendix A.

Figure 2: Proposed Development Plan – Ground Level



## 4 Measurements

### 4.1 Equipment

The following equipment was used to measure existing noise levels:

- Norsonic Nor140 sound level meter as a logger (SN# 1406505)
- Norsonic Nor131 sound level meter (SN# 1313158)
- RION NC-73 acoustical calibrator (SN# 10697023)

All equipment was calibrated by a National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) accredited laboratory. The equipment was field calibrated before and after the measurement session. No significant drift from the reference signal was recorded.

### 4.2 Unattended Noise Monitoring

Unattended noise monitoring was conducted to establish the existing ambient noise levels between Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020. The noise monitor was located on the site, as shown in Figure 3. The monitor position was considered representative of the ambient noise levels experienced by the nearby noise sensitive receivers with consideration to access and security requirements.

Figure 3: Noise Monitoring Location



The ambient noise monitor was in a free-field location and 1.5m above ground level. The monitor was set to measure statistical noise levels in 'A'-weighting, 'Fast' response, over 15 minute intervals. Ambient noise levels were measured in accordance with Australian *Standard AS1055:2018 Acoustics – Description and Measurement of Environmental Noise* (AS1055).

Weather during the monitoring period was generally fine with rain occurring on the 18<sup>th</sup> November (source: Bureau of Meteorology). Weather affected data was excluded from the analysis.

### 4.3 Noise Source Measurements

Noise levels associated with typical activities which may impact noise sensitive receivers were taken from similar investigations conducted by TTM. Measurements were conducted generally in accordance with Australian Standard AS1055.

### 4.4 Results of Noise Measurements

#### 4.4.1 Ambient Noise Levels

Table 1 presents the measured ambient noise levels. The Rating Background Level (RBL) was determined in accordance with the BCC *Noise Impact Assessment Planning Scheme Policy* (NIAPSP). Graphical presentation of the measured levels is shown in Appendix B. The measurement results were used to determine the assessment criteria for the development.

Table 1: Measured Ambient Noise Levels

Time Period	Measured Noise Levels, dB(A)	
	RBL L <sub>90</sub>	L <sub>eq</sub>
Daytime (7am – 6pm)	52	57
Evening (6pm – 10pm)	51	56
Night time (10pm – 7am)	48	52

## 5 Noise Criteria

The applicable noise criteria codes for the site location are the Northshore Hamilton PDA Scheme (October 2022) and Brisbane City Plan 2014.

### 5.1 Northshore Hamilton PDA Scheme

The Northshore Hamilton Priority Development Area Development Scheme states in relation noise criteria:

#### **General noise requirements**

*Development achieves acceptable noise levels for noise sensitive uses in affected areas*

The Northshore Hamilton Priority Development Area Proposed Development Scheme Amendment no.1 October 2021 states in relation to noise criteria:

#### **2.5.9.1 Noise**

*Development manages the noise amenity expectations of different land uses, especially sensitive land uses, with consideration for the variety of noise sources that may contribute to background noise levels in the PDA, such as aircraft operations, transport noise, marine activities, industrial activities and mixed-used urban environments.*

*Development is designed, sited and constructed to:*

*i. mitigate exposure of occupants to noise impacts from:*

- a. industrial noise sources,*
- b. airport and aviation facilities,*
- c. marine facilities,*
- d. designated transport noise corridors, and*

*ii. meet building standards for recommended sound levels for building interiors, and*

*iii. achieve minimum acoustic environmental values for indoor and outdoor areas.*

The site is not located within a transport noise corridor or aircraft noise overlay location (based on City Plan 2014 mapping). The site is also screened to the port area by existing buildings in the south direction and is therefore not expected to be adversely impacted by port noise. Furthermore, passenger cruise ships do not use the port anymore.

Hence, the applicable noise assessment aspects are potential onsite noise emissions and the industrial amenity overlay (the site is partially within the overlay).

The Northshore Hamilton PDA Scheme provides general requirements for noise assessment.

More detailed noise assessment parameters can be found within City Plan 2014. Relevant noise aspects may be addressed by using the performance and/or acceptable outcomes of City Plan 2014.

## 5.2 City Plan 2014

The Brisbane City Council City Plan 2014 details site specific planning scheme zones, overlays and codes relevant to a site in the BCC local government area. Table 2 summarises the planning scheme requirements for the site which are relevant to the acoustic assessment.

Table 2: City Plan 2014 - Site Specific Acoustic Requirements

Location	Zone	Development Code	Overlay Code
Site	Emerging Community	Multiple Dwelling Code Centre or Mixed-Use Code Short-term Accommodation Code	Industrial Amenity
Noise Sensitive Receivers	Emerging Community	n/a	n/a

### 5.2.1 Multiple Dwelling Code

The development includes residential accommodation units which are applicable for assessment under the *Multiple Dwelling Code*. Table 3 summarises the acoustic requirements that apply to the site.

Table 3: Multiple Dwelling Code Performance Outcomes

Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes
<p><b>PO22</b></p> <p>Development that includes mechanical plant (including air conditioning plant, heat pumps and swimming pool pumps) ensures it is located, designed and attenuated to achieve the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>L_{Aeq,adj,T}</math> emitted from mechanical plant is not greater than the rating background level plus 3 at a sensitive use not associated with the development.</li> </ul> <p>Note — Where T is</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Day (7am to 6pm): 11hr,</li> <li>• Evening (6pm to 10pm): 4hr,</li> <li>• Night (10pm to 7am): 9hr.</li> </ul> <p>Where</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>L_{Aeq,adj,T}</math> is the A-weighted equivalent continuous sound pressure level during measurement time T, adjusted for tonal and impulsive noise characteristics, determined in accordance with the methodology described in the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy.</li> <li>• The rating background level is determined in accordance with the methodology described in the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy.</li> </ul> <p>Note—A noise impact assessment report prepared in accordance with the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy can assist in demonstrating achievement of this performance outcome.</p>	<p><b>AO22</b></p> <p>Development ensures mechanical plant is acoustically screened from nearby sensitive uses.</p>

Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes
<p><b>PO35</b></p> <p>Development where not in a zone in the centre zones category or the Mixed use zone, ensures that car parking, hardstand or manoeuvring areas are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. located to minimise noise and fumes disturbance on residents within and adjoining the site;</li> <li>b. acoustically and visually screened to:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) minimise the reflection of headlights into dwelling windows;</li> <li>ii) attenuate noise impacts;</li> </ul> </li> <li>c. landscaped to:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) soften the visual appearance of at grade hardstand areas;</li> <li>ii) enhance pedestrian safety;</li> <li>iii) improve visual amenity for the streetscape and urban area;</li> <li>iv) provide shade for pedestrians and reduce the impact of glare and radiant heat from car parking areas.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Note—where in a zone in the centre zones category or the Mixed use zone, the car parking provisions of the Centre or mixed use code apply.</p>	<p><b>AO35.1</b></p> <p>Development where not in a zone in the centre zones category or the Mixed-use zone, ensures that a hardstand or manoeuvring area situated at or above ground level is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. located a minimum of 3 metres vertically and horizontally from any habitable window on site to minimise noise disturbance on residents;</li> <li>b. screened to prevent the reflection of car headlights onto dwelling windows adjoining or opposite the site.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>AO35.2</b></p> <p>Development where not in a zone in the centre zones category or the Mixed use zone ensures any vehicle movement or vehicle parking areas along the side or rear boundary are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. acoustically screened from adjoining dwellings to a minimum height of 1.8m;</li> <li>c. provided with a vegetated buffer next to any movement or parking areas:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) a minimum of 1m wide along the side boundary;</li> <li>ii) a minimum of 2m wide along the rear boundary;</li> <li>iii) planted at a pot size and density sufficient to screen up to 1.5m above ground level at establishment.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<p><b>AO35.3</b></p> <p>Development, where not in a zone in the centre zones category or the Mixed use zone, and where car parking is above ground and uncovered, provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. a minimum of 1 shade tree for every 6 car spaces;</li> <li>b. trees which are planted to achieve a minimum 50% shade cover along internal pedestrian paths and driveways within 5 years of certification in accordance with the Landscape work code and the Planting species planning scheme policy.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>AO35.4</b></p> <p>Development where not in a zone in the centre zones category or the Mixed use zone, provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. landscaping that is used to delineate safe pedestrian movement through car parks;</li> <li>b. exterior vehicle movement areas that are broken up by alternative materials, patterns or threshold treatments.</li> </ul>

	<p><b>AO35.5</b> Development of ground level or other above ground car parking, where not in a zone in the centre zones category or the Mixed use zone, provides densely planted setbacks.</p> <p>Note—Front boundary setbacks must be treated to address streetscape interface issues and be in accordance with the streetscape interface performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes.</p>
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It is recommended acoustic screening is utilised for exposed mechanical plant with the potential to impact adjacent sensitive receivers to comply with *Acceptable Outcome AO22*.

Podium level car parking complies with AO35.1 as it is located at least 3m vertically and horizontally from any habitable window.

The ground level car movement area complies with AO35.2 in relation to noise, with acoustic screening to min. 1.8m high to adjoining dwellings (future, adjoining residential use to the east) by the use of a minimum 1.8m high acoustic fence on the east boundary.

## 5.2.2 Centre or Mixed Use Code

The proposed development includes retail use that is applicable for assessment by the *Centre or Mixed Use Code*. Table 4 summarises the primary acoustic requirements that apply.

Table 4: Centre or Mixed-Use Code Requirements

Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes
<p><b>PO1</b> Development: (a) has hours of operation which are controlled so that the use does not detrimentally impact on the amenity of adjoining residents; (b) where not located in a Special entertainment precinct identified in a neighbourhood plan, does not result in noise emissions that exceed the noise (planning) criteria in Table 9.3.3.3.F, low frequency noise criteria in Table 9.3.3.3.G and night-time noise criteria in Table 9.3.3.3.H in a sensitive zone or a nearby sensitive use. Note—A noise impact assessment report prepared in accordance with the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy can assist in demonstrating achievement of this performance outcome.</p>	<p><b>AO1.1</b> Development: (a) for accommodation activities, dwelling unit or emergency services has unlimited hours of operation; (b) for a club, if licensed, function facility, hotel or nightclub entertainment facility does not generate noise which is clearly audible and detectable, or impacts on the amenity of a resident, in a dwelling or other sensitive use; Note—Development for a club, if licensed, function facility, hotel or nightclub entertainment facility is not expected to achieve this outcome. (c) for any other use: i. Where in the Principal centre zone or Major centre zone has unlimited hours of operation; ii. Where in District centre zone, Neighbourhood centre zone or Mixed use zone:</p>



Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Has hours of operation, including deliveries, which are limited to 6am to 10pm; or</li> <li>b. Does not generate noise which is clearly audible and disturbing in a dwelling or other sensitive use;</li> <li>iii. Where in any other zone:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Has hours of operation, including for deliveries, which are limited to 6am to 8pm; or</li> <li>b. Does not generate noise which is clearly audible and disturbing in a dwelling or other sensitive use.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<p><b>A01.2</b> Development ensures mechanical plant or equipment is acoustically screened from an adjoining sensitive use.</p>
<p><b>PO7</b> Development mitigates impacts on residential amenity in or adjoining the building through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) providing an outdoor dining area that is appropriately located</li> <li>(b) ensuring external dining and entertainment areas are visually and acoustically screened from an adjoining dwelling.</li> </ul>	<p><b>A07</b> Development provides for external dining or entertainment areas to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) located in or directly adjacent to the public realm</li> <li>(b) visually and acoustically screened from an adjoining dwelling.</li> </ul>
<p><b>PO62</b> Development of garages, driveways and parking structures minimise impacts on the amenity of neighbouring dwellings.</p>	<p><b>A062.1</b> Development for a car park:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) provides a 2m-high acoustic fence and a landscaped area 1.5m wide where located adjacent to a neighbouring dwelling;</li> <li>(b) is acoustically screened where the car park is used at night and where located adjacent to a neighbouring dwelling.</li> </ul> <p><b>A062.2</b> (a) Development for a driveway or vehicle movement area is screened by a 2m-high acoustic fence along the side or rear boundary if located adjacent to a residential dwelling.</p>

Accommodation activities comply with *Acceptable Outcome A01.1 (a)* as these activities are allowed unlimited hours of operation.

The site is located in an Emerging community zone and therefore *Acceptable Outcome A01.1 (c)(iii)* is applicable and allows hours of operation, including deliveries from 6am to 8pm.

Relevant external noise emissions were assessed for proposed hours of operation.

Deliveries to operate during the allowed hours of 6am – 8pm.

It is recommended the development comply with *Acceptable Outcome A01.2* by applying acoustic screening to exposed mechanical plant with the potential to impact adjacent sensitive receivers.

Ground level car movement area complies with AO62.1/62.2 in relation to noise, with acoustic screening to 2m high to adjoining dwellings (future, adjoining residential use to the east) by the use of a 2m high acoustic fence on the east boundary.

### 5.2.2.1 Noise (Planning) Criteria

The noise emission criteria of Performance Outcome PO1 of the Centre or Mixed Use Code (Table 9.3.3.F) is presented in Table 5.

Table 5: Noise (Planning) Criteria (Table 9.3.3.3.F)

Criteria Location	Intrusive noise criteria, dB(A) Day, evening and night $L_{Aeq,adj,T}$ are not greater than the RBL plus the value shown in Column 1				Acoustic amenity criteria, dB(A) Day, evening and night $L_{Aeq,adj,T}$ are not greater than the values in this column for the relevant criteria location		
	Column 1	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night
Emerging community zone boundary	+5	57	56	53	55	50	45
Project Specific Criteria*					55	50	45

Day: 7am – 6pm. Evening: 6pm – 10pm. Night 10pm – 7am.

\*The project specific noise criterion is taken as the most stringent value for each time period from the Intrusive and Amenity noise criteria.

### 5.2.2.2 Low Frequency Noise Criteria

The low frequency noise criteria for amplified sound sources (eg. music) is outlined in *Table 9.3.3.3.G*. This criteria is reproduced in Table 6.

Table 6: Low Frequency Noise Criteria (Table 9.3.3.3.G)

Criteria Location	Day (7am-6pm) $L_{Ceq,11hr}$ is not greater than the following values at the relevant criteria location	Evening (6pm-10pm) $L_{Ceq,4hr}$ is not greater than the following values at the relevant criteria location	Night (10pm-7am) $L_{Ceq,9hr}$ is not greater than the following values at the relevant criteria location
Emerging community zone boundary	65dB(C)	65dB(C)	60dB(C)

### 5.2.3 Short-term Accommodation Code

The proposed development includes short-term accommodation in the form of an accommodation hotel. The primary performance outcome relating to acoustics is detailed in Table 7.

Table 7: Short-term Accommodation Code

Performance Outcomes	Acceptable Outcomes
<p><b>PO3</b></p> <p>Development is of a nature and scale which does not result in noise emissions that exceed the following criteria:</p> <p><math>L_{Aeq,adj,T}</math> emitted from short-term accommodation is not greater than the rating background level plus 3 at a sensitive use.</p> <p>Where T is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Day (7am to 6pm): 11hr,</li> <li>• Evening (6pm to 10pm): 4hr,</li> <li>• Night (10pm to 7am): 9hr.</li> </ul> <p>Where <math>L_{Aeq,adj,T}</math> is the A-weighted equivalent continuous sound pressure level during measurement time T, adjusted for tonal and impulsive noise characteristics, determined in accordance with the methodology described in the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy.</p> <p>Note—Rating background level is to be determined in accordance with the methodology described in the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy.</p> <p>Note—A noise impact assessment report prepared in accordance with the Noise impact assessment planning scheme policy can assist in demonstrating achievement of this performance outcome.</p>	<p><b>AO3.1</b></p> <p>Development ensures mechanical plant or equipment is acoustically screened from adjoining sensitive uses.</p> <p>Note—Mechanical plant includes generators, motors, compressors and pumps such as air-conditioning, refrigeration or cold room motors.</p>
	<p><b>AO3.2</b></p> <p>Development:</p> <p>(a) provides a 2m high acoustic fence along a boundary with a sensitive use;</p> <p>(b) ensure car parking areas used at night are acoustically screened from adjoining residential dwellings.</p>

It is recommended the development comply with *AO3.1* by applying acoustic screening to exposed mechanical plant with the potential to impact adjacent sensitive receivers. See recommendations in Section 7.

Ground level car movement area has a 2m high acoustic fence on the east boundary (future adjoining residential use to the east).

Podium parking areas have general façade screening.

Level 4 hotel facilities were assessed for operation between 7am – 10pm.

### 5.2.4 Onsite Noise Sensitive Receivers

Where onsite noise emissions may impact onsite noise sensitive receivers (proposed hotel/residential uses), these receivers can be designed and constructed with a specified façade acoustic rating so that habitable rooms achieve acceptable internal noise levels. Applicable internal noise criteria are specified in AS2107<sup>1</sup> and reproduced in Table 8.

Table 8: Internal Noise Limits for Residential Dwellings (AS2107)

Type of Occupancy	Recommended Design Sound Level $L_{Aeq}$ dB(A)
<b>7. RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS</b>	
Houses and apartments near minor roads -	
Living areas	30-40

<sup>1</sup> Australian Standard AS2107:2016 Acoustics – Recommended Design Sound Levels and Reverberation Times for Building Interiors.

Type of Occupancy	Recommended Design Sound Level L <sub>Aeq</sub> dB(A)
<b>7. RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS</b>	
Sleeping areas	30-35

### 5.2.5 Industrial Amenity Overlay Code

The site is located within an *Industrial Amenity Overlay* area of City Plan 2014. During site visits no adverse noise activities were observed from any industrial uses. A survey of the surrounding area did not identify any industrial uses with the potential to adversely impact the proposed development. Hence no further analysis of industrial uses was conducted.

## 6 Assessment – Onsite Noise

The following section presents an assessment of noise associated with the development to determine the potential impacts at the nearest sensitive receivers. The relevant transient noise activities, not addressed by acceptable outcomes (Section 5.2), with the potential to adversely impact the nearest noise sensitive receivers are:

- Restaurant (Level 3) - outdoor dining
- Function area (Level 4) - outdoor crowd, internal crowd and amplified music

The restaurant on Level 4 is internal dining use and may include background only amplified music. This internal use is enclosed within the building façade and not expected to adversely impact a noise sensitive receiver during the proposed operating hours. Nonetheless, a minimum façade sound rating was recommended for the restaurant (Section 7.2).

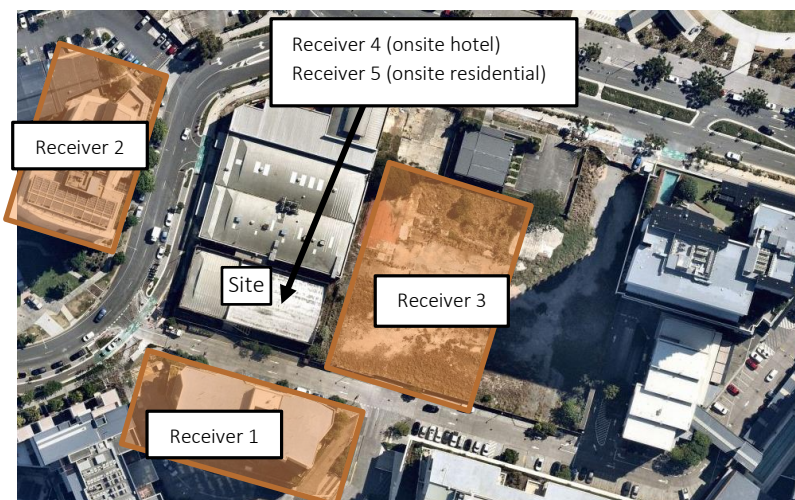
Deliveries and waste collection will be recommended to occur during allowed operating hours (6am - 8pm). See Section 7 for recommendations.

### 6.1 Noise Sensitive Receivers

This assessment will focus on the nearest noise sensitive receivers as outlined below and shown in Figure 4. If compliance can be achieved at these nearest receivers, then all remaining noise sensitive locations are expected to comply.

- Receiver 1: Residential use in an Emerging community zone to the south of the site
- Receiver 2: Residential use in an Emerging community zone to the west of the site
- Receiver 3: Residential use (future) in an Emerging community zone to the east of the site
- Receiver 4: Onsite hotel accommodation use (Level 5 - 12)
- Receiver 5: Onsite residential use (Level 13 and above)

Figure 4: Noise Sensitive Receivers



## 6.2 Noise Source Levels

Table 9 presents the typical noise sources with the potential to impact noise sensitive receivers and the respective measured noise levels. The noise source levels were calculated to one metre and include corrections for tonality and impulsiveness as per *AS1055* where applicable.

Table 9: Typical Transient Noise Source Levels

Noise Source Description	Prediction Location (Figure 5 - Figure 6)	Measured Duration (sec)	Noise Level at 1m, dB(A)		'Peak' events per hour or % of period
			L <sub>Aeq,T</sub>	L <sub>Amax</sub>	
Outdoor dining	Outdoor dining area (Level 3)	60	75	N/A <sup>^</sup>	100%
Crowd	Function outdoor area (Level 4)	60	86	N/A <sup>^</sup>	100%
Crowd	Function indoor area (Level 4)	60	97 (SWL*)	N/A <sup>^</sup>	100%

<sup>^</sup>People and vehicle pass-by noise is excluded from L<sub>max</sub> assessment in accordance with NIAPSP.

\*Sound power level (SWL) used for internal noise emission calculation.

## 6.3 Noise Assessment Methodology

The following assumptions have been made for noise calculations:

- Outdoor dining was predicted from the nearest outdoor dining area. The noise duration was assumed to be continuous during the assessment time period.
- Crowd noise was based on data contained in paper 'Prediction of Noise from Small to Medium Sized Crowds' Hayne et al, 2011. The duration was assumed to occur continuously during the assessment period. Total noise level based on cumulative groups of up to 100 patrons each. Number of patrons based on square metre area<sup>2</sup>: Function outdoor area 100, function indoor room 200.
- The Level 4 function outdoor area crowd noise level includes background only amplified music. External façade sound ratings are:
  - Operable walls: min. 20dB (Rw25)
  - Roof: min. 30dB (Rw35)
- Level 4 function internal noise was calculated as an internal reverberant noise level based on reverberation time and room volume (calculation Appendix B). Inside to outside noise propagation to the nearest receiver was based on external façades:
  - Walls (eg. glazing): min. Rw35
  - Roof (portion of function room): min. Rw35

<sup>2</sup> Association of Australasian Acoustical Consultants Licensed Premises and Patron Noise Assessment Technical Guideline Version 3

- Internal noise prediction for onsite receiver habitable rooms (Receivers 4 & 5) are based on an external façade reduction of:
  - Receiver 4 (hotel): min. 25dB (Rw30) near the outdoor dining area (Level 3)
  - Receiver 5 (residential): Standard façade construction
- Attenuation from building screening was included where applicable.
- The following Figures present the relevant noise activity locations.

Figure 5: Noise Activity Locations – Level 3

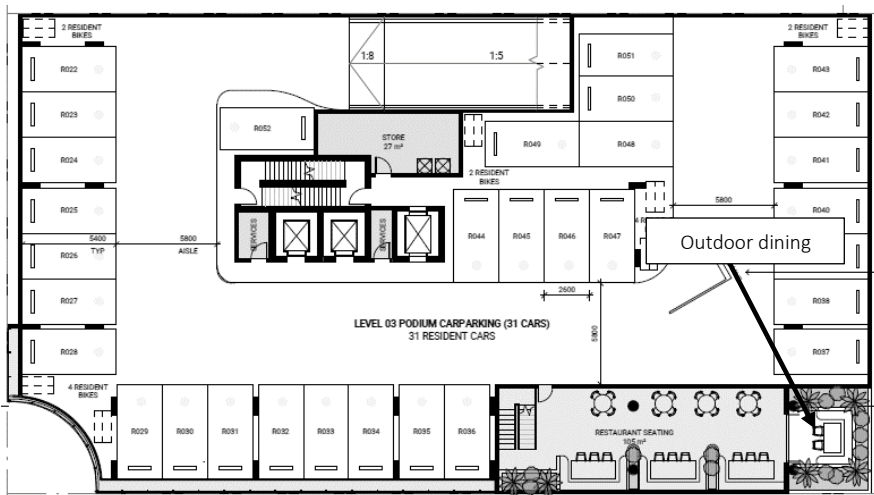
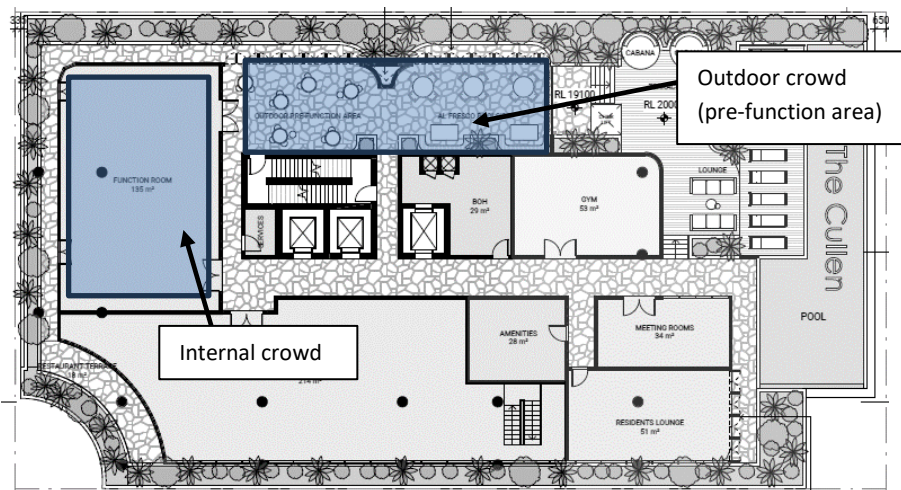


Figure 6: Noise Activity Locations – Level 4



## 6.4 Predicted Noise Levels at Receivers

The predicted noise levels from typical onsite activities are based on the noise sources presented in Table 9 and the assumptions outlined in Section 6.3. Calculations are included in Appendix C.

### 6.4.1 Noise Planning Criteria – $L_{eq}$

Table 10 and Table 11 present the predicted noise emission levels for offsite and onsite receivers respectively.

Table 10: Predicted Noise Planning Impacts – Offsite Receivers

Receiver	Noise Source	Predicted External Noise Level $L_{Aeq}$ dB(A)	Complies with Criteria?	
			Day 7am - 6pm 55 dB(A)	Evening 6pm - 10pm 50 dB(A)
1	Outdoor dining (Level 3)	49	✓	✓
	Crowd (outdoor function Level 4)	21	✓	✓
	Crowd (indoor function Level 4)	<10	✓	✓
	Cumulative	49	✓	✓
2	Outdoor dining (Level 3)	<10	✓	✓
	Crowd (outdoor function Level 4)	32	✓	✓
	Crowd (indoor function Level 4)	26	✓	✓
	Cumulative	33	✓	✓
3	Outdoor dining (Level 3)	48	✓	✓
	Crowd (outdoor function Level 4)	38	✓	✓
	Crowd (indoor function Level 4)	20	✓	✓
	Cumulative	48	✓	✓

Table 11: Predicted Noise Planning Impacts – Onsite Receivers

Receiver	Noise Source	Predicted External / Internal Noise Level $L_{Aeq}$ dB(A)	Complies with Criteria?		
			External		Internal (AS2107)
			Day 7am-6pm 55dB(A)	Evening 6pm-10pm 50dB(A)	Day / Evening 7am-10pm 35dB(A)
4	Outdoor dining (Level 3)	N/A* / 34	✓	✓	✓
	Crowd (outdoor function Level 4)	N/A* / 26	✓	✓	✓
	Crowd (indoor function Level 4)	N/A* / 19	✓	✓	✓
	Cumulative <sup>^</sup>	N/A* / 27	✓	✓	✓
5	Outdoor dining (Level 3)	45 / 27	✓	✓	✓
	Crowd (outdoor function Level 4)	27 / <10	✓	✓	✓
	Crowd (indoor function Level 4)	25 / <10	✓	✓	✓
	Cumulative <sup>^</sup>	29 / 11	✓	✓	✓



\*No external balcony at onsite receiver location (hotel room)

^The applicable cumulative noise sources are those at the same location which are crowd (outdoor & indoor function).

Noise activities are predicted to comply with the relevant noise criteria.

See Section 7 for recommended noise mitigation measures.

## 6.5 Amplified Music

Internal background only amplified music is proposed for the restaurant (Level 3 & 4). This internal use is enclosed within the building façade and not expected to adversely impact a noise sensitive receiver. Nonetheless, a minimum façade sound rating was recommended for the restaurant (Section 7.2).

The function outdoor area (Level 4) crowd noise level includes background only amplified music which was assessed in Section 6. When background amplified music is used, the operable façade is recommended to be closed (Section 7.2).

The internal function room use (Level 4) may generate external noise emissions from the use of internal amplified music (between 7am – 10pm). Noise level predictions to determine a maximum internal sound level were based on reverse calculations. The calculations are based on the following assumptions which are considered worst case:

- Nearest sensitive receiver: Receiver 2 and 4
- Distance attenuation between nearest room façade and receiver
- Area (m<sup>2</sup>) of façade in the direction of the receiver
- Minimum sound rating of function façade (closed): Rw35 (walls) and Rw40 (roof)
- Noise criteria:
  - 65dB(C) external (day/evening) (Table 6)
  - 47dB(A) internal (based on external 65dB(C) – 18dB standard façade)

Based on the above parameters, Table 12 presents the predicted maximum possible internal sound levels for amplified music. Calculations are included in Appendix C.

Table 12: Maximum Possible Internal Sound Level (Reverse Calculation)

Area Location	Receiver	Maximum Possible Internal Reverberant Sound Level* Leq dB(C)		Note
		Day 7am - 6pm	Evening 6pm - 10pm	
Function room internal use (Level 4)	2	117	117	These are not proposed sound levels. These are maximum possible sound levels
	4	113	113	

\*Measured at centre of room equidistant from any speakers

The predicted maximum allowable internal sound levels for amplified music are expected to be adequate for internal operation (7am – 10pm). Actual internal sound levels are expected to be less than these maximum levels.

See Section 7 for recommended noise mitigation measures.

# 7 Recommendations

Recommended noise mitigation measures are presented in this section to achieve predicted compliance with the relevant assessment criteria.

## 7.1 Acoustic Barrier

In accordance with Multiple dwelling code (AO35.2) and Centre or mixed use code (AO62.1/62.2), acoustic screening is recommended for the ground level car manoeuvring area at the location, height and extent as shown in Figure 7 and Figure 8.

The acoustic barrier should:

- Be the minimum height relative to the finished car manoeuvring ground level.
- Be of solid construction and have no gaps or holes for the extent shown.
- Be constructed of a material with a surface mass not less than 12.5kg/m<sup>2</sup>.
- If applicable, can be transparent (eg. glazing, acrylic)

Figure 7: Recommended Acoustic Barrier – Ground Level

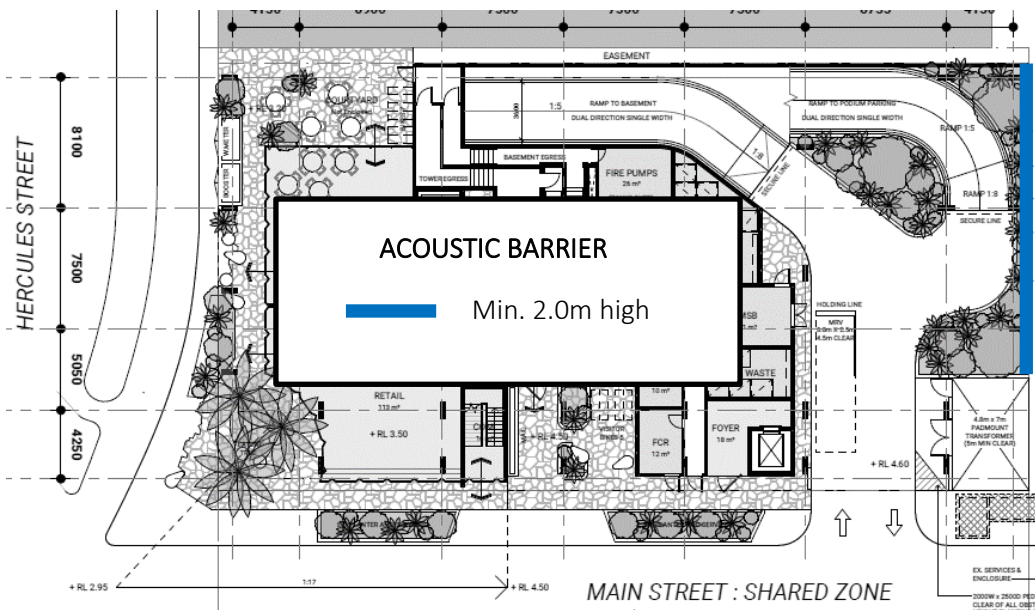
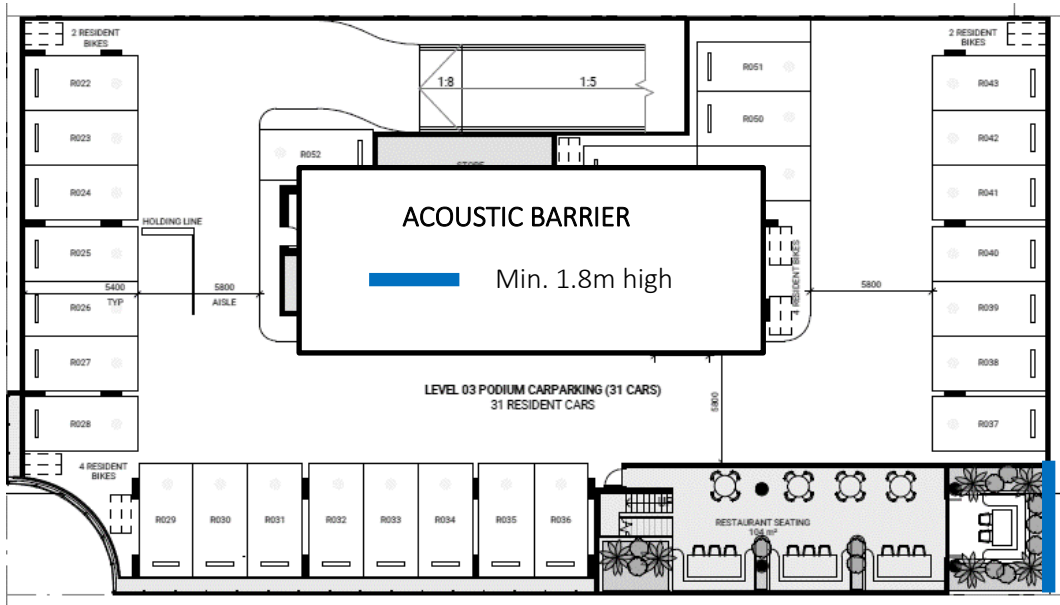


Figure 8: Recommended Acoustic Barrier – Level 3



## 7.2 Noise Mitigation Measures

The following management strategies are recommended to achieve predicted compliance and minimise noise annoyance:

- a. Operating hours as proposed:
  - i. Ground floor restaurant / café: between 6am – 10pm
  - ii. Level 3 & 4 hotel and residential facilities (all uses): between 7am – 10pm
- b. Function internal room (Level 4):
  - i. External façades sound rating of min. Rw35 (walls) and min. Rw40 (roof).
  - ii. Façade closed during internal operation (crowd and/or amplified music). Door to outdoor function area can be open when outdoor function area operable façade is closed. Momentary open/close of function room southeast door is possible when used for access to amenities. Self-closing door to be used.
- c. Function outdoor area (Level 4):
  - i. External façades sound rating of min. Rw25 (operable walls) and min. Rw35 (roof).
  - ii. Background amplified music only (not louder than patron noise level).
  - iii. Operable façade to be closed when in use by crowd and/or amplified music (background).

- d. Restaurant (Level 3 & 4):
  - i. External façades minimum sound rating of Rw35.
  - ii. Internal background amplified music only (not louder than patron noise level).
- e. No external amplified music speakers at any other location.
- f. Hotel habitable room façades to have a minimum sound rating of:
  - i. Min. Rw30 for the east facing façade at Levels 5 -7
- g. Deliveries and waste collection to occur during code allowed operating hours 6am - 8pm.
- h. Any speed humps should be bitumen, concrete (as part of the slab), or rubber, and not metal.
- i. Any grates or other protective covers in the car park and access driveways must be rigidly fixed in position to eliminate movement and be maintained.

### 7.3 Mechanical Plant

As detailed mechanical plant selections are not available at this stage, it is not possible to carry out a detailed examination of any attenuation measures that may be required to achieve the noise criteria.

To comply with planning scheme acceptable outcomes for mechanical plant (City Plan 2014), we recommend the following for plant with the potential to adversely impact nearby sensitive receivers:

*Development ensures mechanical plant is acoustically screened from nearby sensitive uses.*

The definition of 'acoustically screened' is provided in Table SC1.2.3.B of Brisbane City Plan 2014, Schedule 1 Definitions:

*The source of noise is completely screened from view of habitable rooms (including balconies, patios, decks and verandas) of an adjoining sensitive use by solid, gap free material and construction e.g. acoustic fence, building, or enclosure.*

*Acoustic barrier: Solid, gap free barrier with minimum surface density of 12.5kg/m<sup>2</sup>*

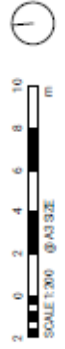
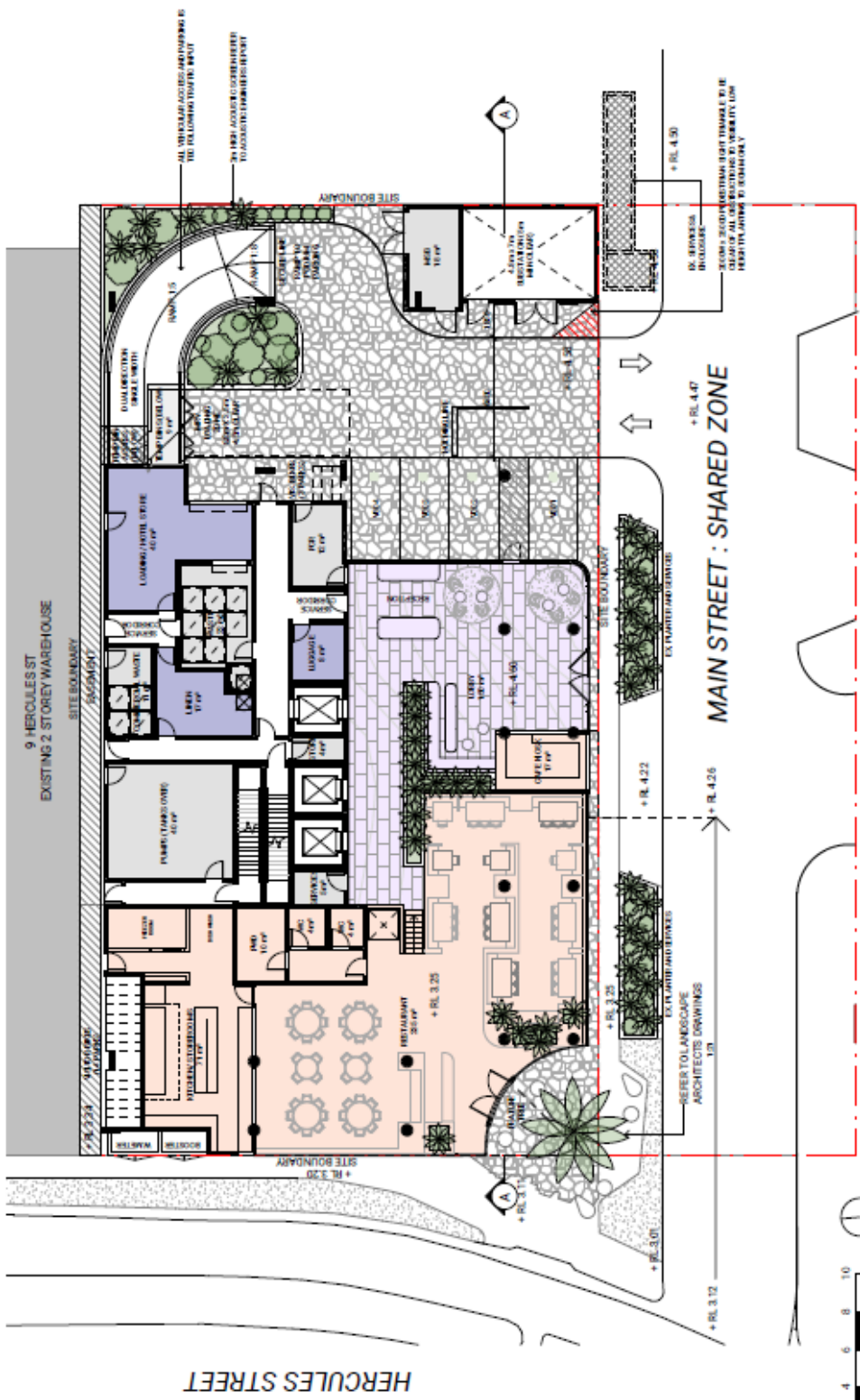
Furthermore, it is also recommended that a mechanical plant noise assessment is conducted once plant selections are finalised to ensure noise emissions comply with criteria.

## 8 Conclusion

An environmental noise assessment was conducted of a proposed mixed-use development located at 5 Hercules Street, Hamilton.

Compliance with the Northshore Hamilton Priority Development Area (PDA) planning scheme and Brisbane City Council *City Plan 2014* planning scheme is predicted to be achieved based on the recommendations outlined in Section 7 of this report.

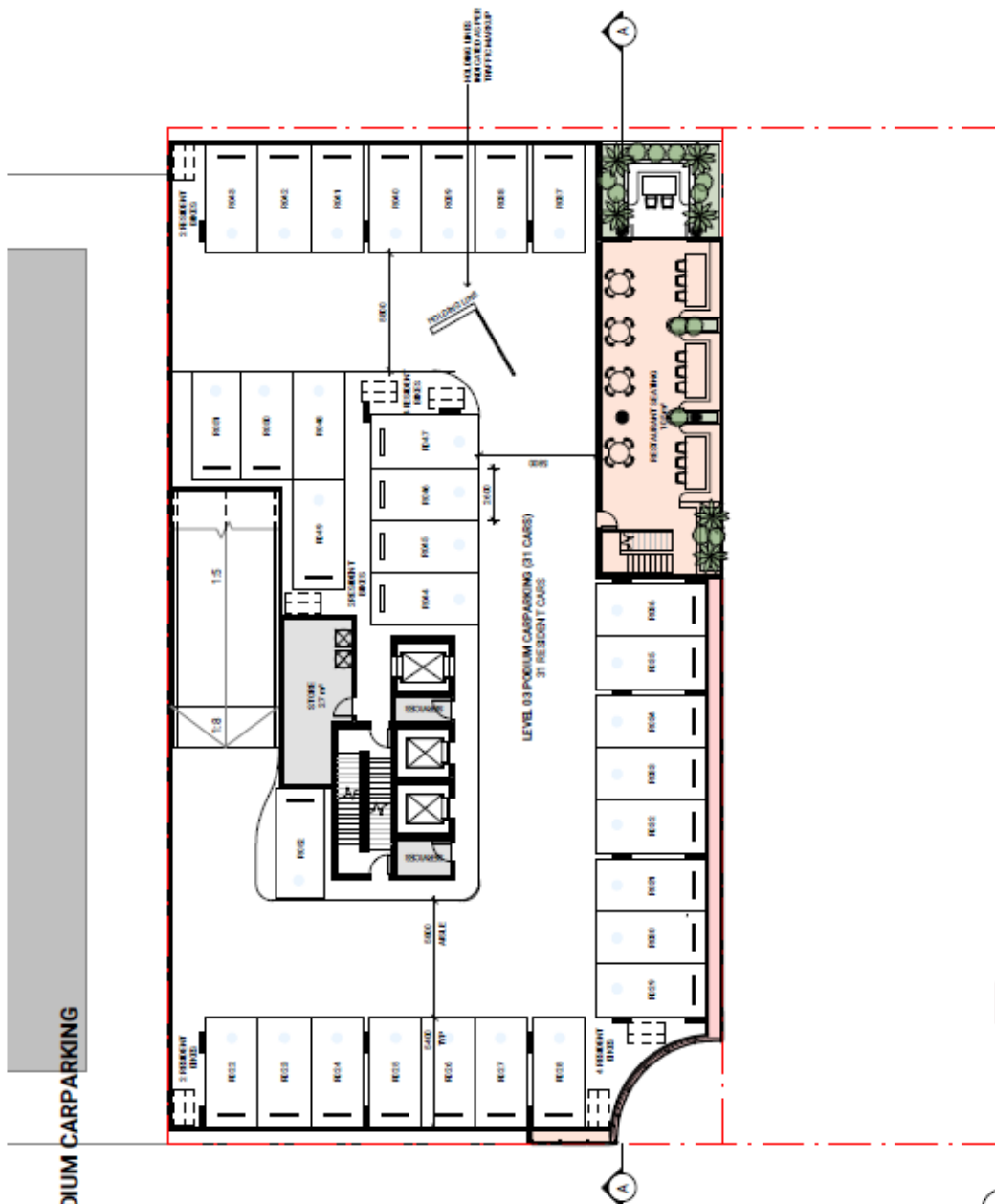
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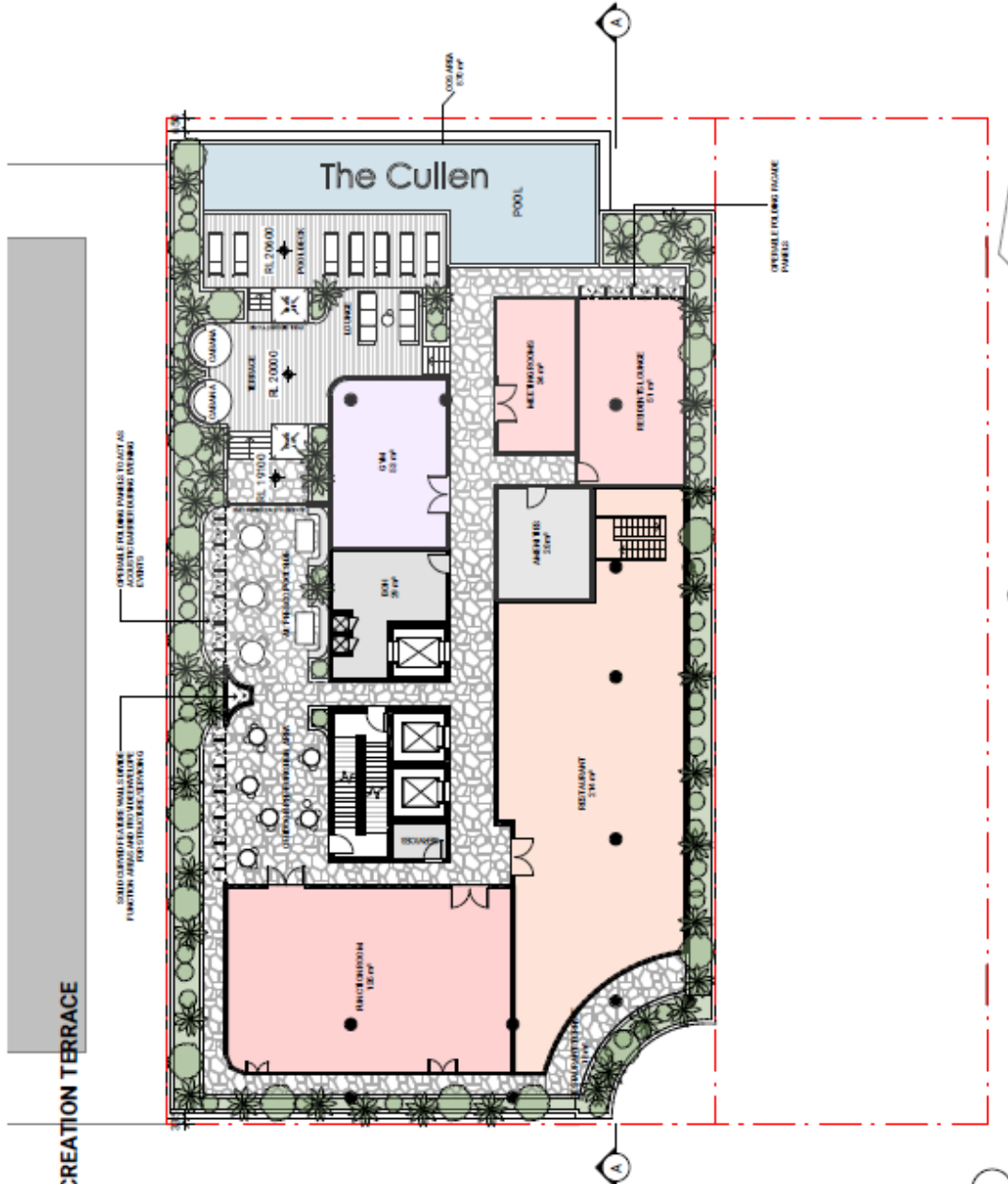
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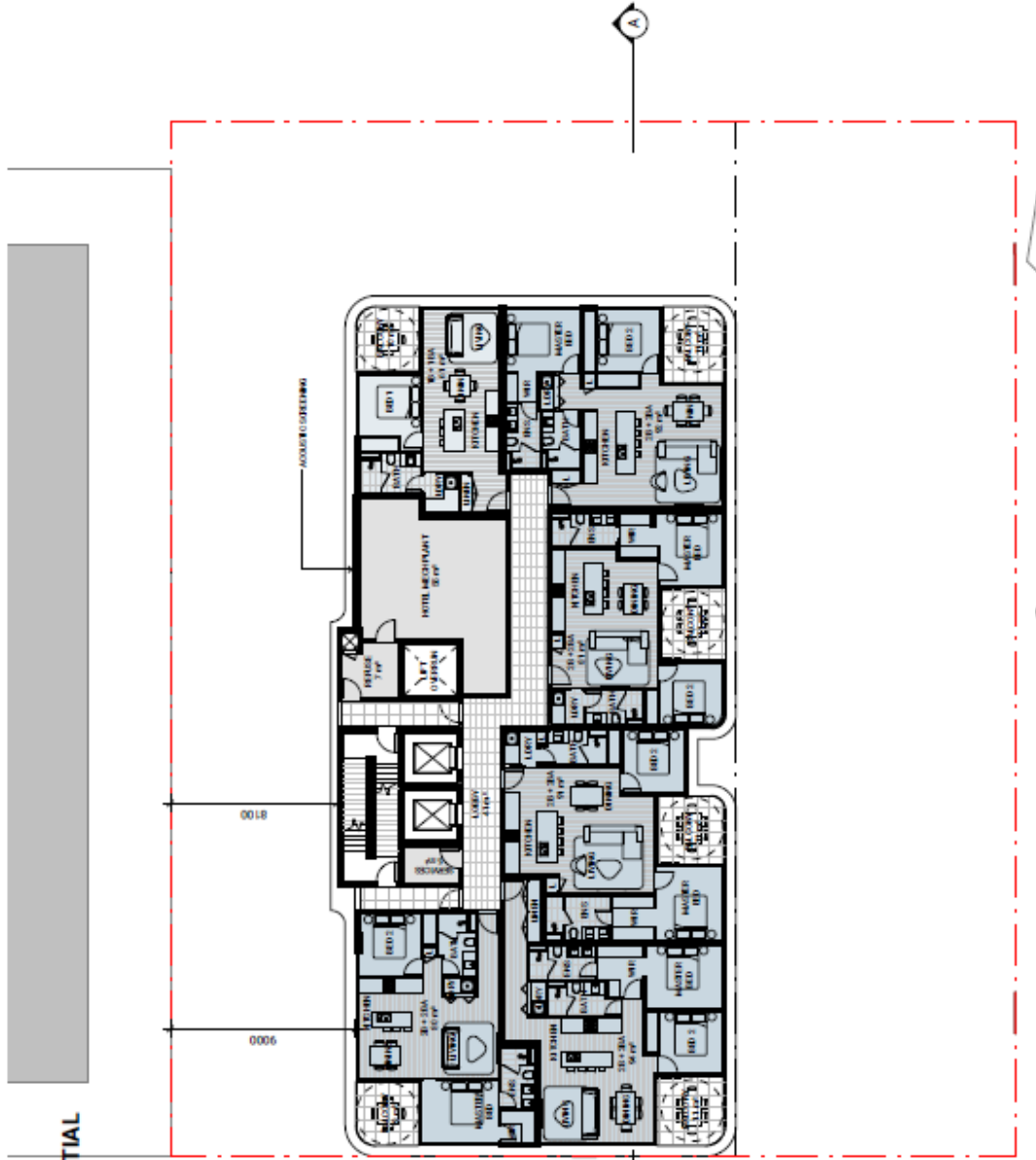
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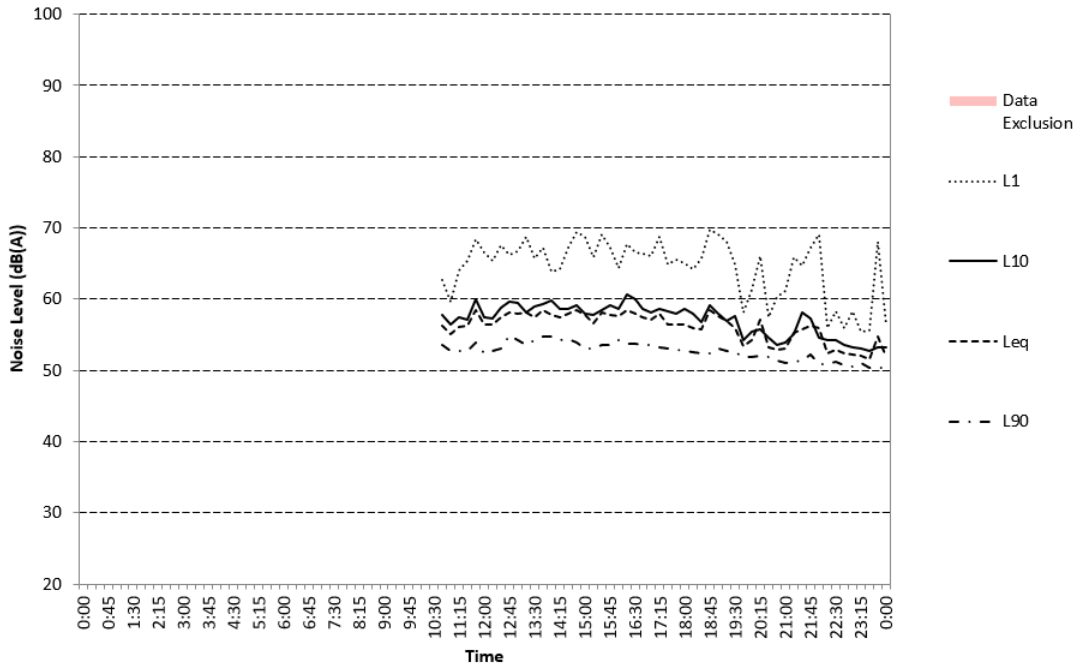
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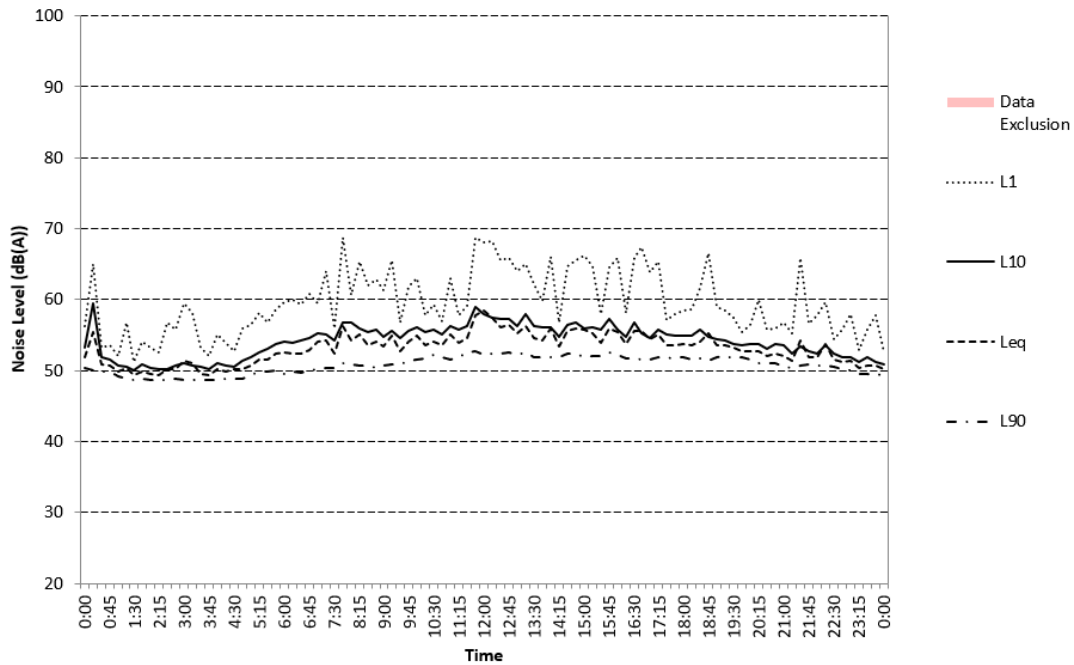
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## Appendix B Unattended Noise Monitoring Graphs

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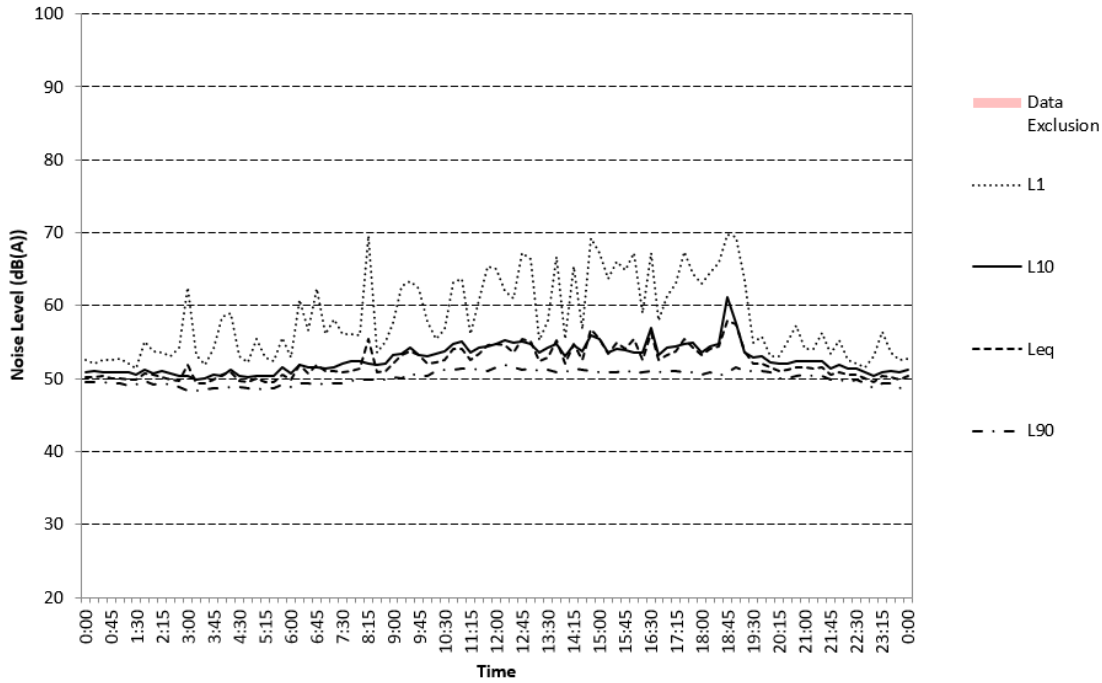


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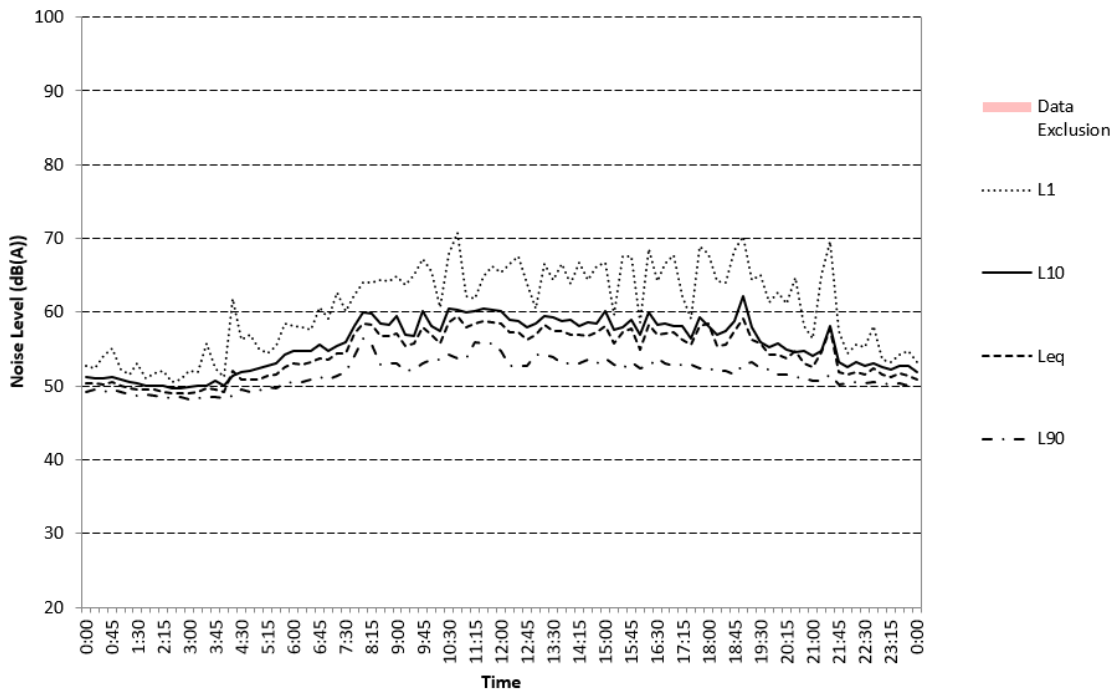
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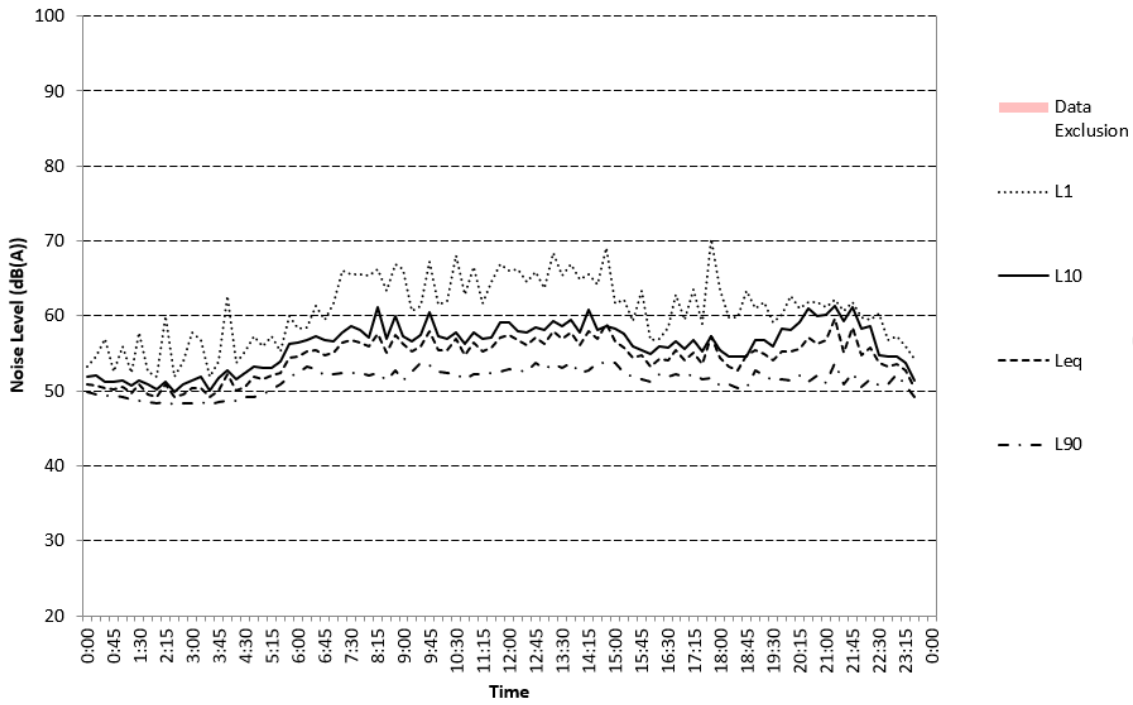


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## Appendix C Calculations

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Outdoor Noise Sources

Noise Source	Duration (sec)	Leq	1 Hour Period (sec)	Events	Leq Level	Distance to Receivers				
						R1 South	R2 West	R3 East	R4 Onsite Hotel	R5 Onsite Res
Outdoor dining (Level 3)	60	75	3600	60	75	19	70	10	6	30
Crowd (Function outdoor area Level 4)	60	86	3600	60	86	30	50	25	4	27

Noise level due to Distance loss											
Outdoor dining (Level 3)							49	38	55	59	45
Crowd (Function outdoor area Level 4)							56	52	58	74	57
Shielding (building, barrier)							R1 South	R2 West	R3 East	R4 Onsite Ho	R5 Onsite R
Outdoor dining (Level 3)							0	35	7	0	0
Crowd (Function outdoor area Level 4)							35	20	20	30	30

Noise Level at Receiver - External						R1 South	R2 West	R3 East	R4 Onsite Ho	R5 Onsite R
Outdoor dining (Level 3)						49	3	48	No balcony	45
Crowd (Function outdoor area Level 4)						21	32	38	No balcony	27
Crowd (Function internal room Level 4)					from internal calc sheet	-9	26	20	No balcony	25
Cumulative						49	33	48		29
Noise Level at Receiver - Internal (Onsite receivers)			Façade Attenuation	R1 South	R2 West	R3 East	R4 Onsite Ho	R5 Onsite R		
Outdoor dining (Level 3)			25dB (Rw30)				34	27		
Crowd (Function outdoor area Level 4)			18dB (standard construction)				26	9		
Crowd (Function internal room Level 4)							19	7		
Cumulative (function noise)							27	11		



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### Crowd noise prediction

Item / Description	Rating/Broadband/Input			Octave Band Centre Frequency, Hz								
	Rating	dB	dB(A)	31.5	63	125	250	500	1k	2k	4k	8k
<b>Crowd noise prediction</b>	Hayne et al 2011											
Crowd size - no. of people	100											
LwAeq = 15LogN + 64 dB(A)			94 (A)									
Point Source Propagation Loss	1 m	3.0 dB	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0
LpAeq (@1m)			86 (A)									
LwA01 = 11LogN + 77 dB(A)			99 (A)									
LpA01 (@1m)			91 (A)									
LwA10 = 15LogN + 67 dB(A)			97 (A)									
LpA10 (@1m)			89 (A)									
LwAmax = 11LogN + 81 dB(A)			81 (A)									
LpAmax (@1m)			73 (A)									
Crowd size - no. of people	200											
LwAeq												
Group of 100			94 (A)									
Two groups of 100 adjustment			+3dB									
Group of 200			97 (A)									

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### Internal Reverberant Noise Level - Crowd - Function Room (Level 4)

Item / Description	Rating/Broadband/Input			Octave Band Centre Frequency, Hz								
	Rating	dB	dB(A)	31.5	63	125	250	500	1k	2k	4k	8k
<b>Reverberation Time</b>												
Quick RT (from RT Library) - Room Type: Restaurants, Finish Type: Hard	1.50 s			2.3	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.1	0.8
<b>Source SWL</b>												
	SPL	Distance	SWL	Duration sec	No. Events	Adjust dB	Adjusted SWL (1hr)					
† Crowd (patrons 200)			97 (A)	60	100%	0	97 (A)					
							<b>SUM</b>	<b>97 (A)</b>				
Library - Type: Noise Level, § Speech - Frequency spectrum			63 (A)			57	62	63	57	48	40	
Adjust to match SUM above	34											
<b>Sum</b>			<b>97 (A)</b>			<b>91</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>74</b>	
<b>Building</b>												
Floor area	135	m <sup>2</sup>										
Height (av)	4.0	m										
Volume	540	m <sup>3</sup>										
<b>Lp,i (internal, reverberant SPL)</b>												
Reverberant Sound Level (from RT) - RT: Row 14, Lw: Row 19	540 m <sup>3</sup>	1 x	<b>85 (A)</b>			<b>80</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>61</b>	

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### Internal noise break out - Crowd - Function - At Receiver 1

Item / Description	Rating/Broadband/Input			Octave Band Centre Frequency, Hz								
	Rating	dB	dB(A)	31.5	63	125	250	500	1k	2k	4k	8k
<b>Lp,i (internal, reverberant SPL)</b>	(from room reverb calc)		<b>85 (A)</b>			<b>80</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>61</b>	
<b>Noise break out - wall</b>												
Library - Type: Transmission Loss, Source: Glazing						-26	-28	-34	-35	-36	-44	
adjust	0		<b>Rw 35</b>			-26	-28	-34	-35	-36	-44	
<b>Noise level at Receiver</b>												
† Reverberant Room to Environment		29 m	42 m <sup>2</sup>	26 (A)		28	30	25	17	7	-10	
<b>Noise break out - roof</b>												
Library - Type: Transmission Loss, Source: User, ID: 344						-18	-20	-21	-21	-25	-25	
adjust	17		<b>Rw 40</b>			-35	-37	-38	-38	-42	-42	
<b>Noise level at Receiver</b>												
† Reverberant Room to Environment		31 m	36 m <sup>2</sup>	19 (A)		17	20	19	13	0	-9	
<b>Screening by building structure in direction of receiver (south)</b>												
				-35 (A)		-35	-35	-35	-35	-35	-35	
<b>Noise Level at Receiver - Total</b>												
= Logarithmic Sum			<b>-9 (A)</b>			<b>-7</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>-16</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>-41</b>	

### Internal noise break out - Crowd - Function - At Receiver 2

Item / Description	Rating/Broadband/Input			31.5	63	Octave Band Centre Frequency, Hz								
	Rating	dB	dB(A)			125	250	500	1k	2k	4k	8k		
<b>Lp,i (internal, reverberant SPL)</b>	(from room reverb calc)			<b>85 (A)</b>										
<b>Noise break out - wall</b>														
Library - Type: Transmission Loss, Source: Glazing							-26	-28	-34	-35	-36	-44		
adjust	0			<b>Rw 35</b>			-26	-28	-34	-35	-36	-44		
<b>Noise level at Receiver</b>														
‡ Reverberant Room to Environment		30 m	42 m²	25 (A)			27	30	24	17	7	-10		
<b>Noise break out - roof</b>														
Library - Type: Transmission Loss, Source: User, ID: 344							-18	-20	-21	-21	-25	-25		
adjust	17			<b>Rw 40</b>			-35	-37	-38	-38	-42	-42		
<b>Noise level at Receiver</b>														
‡ Reverberant Room to Environment		35 m	36 m²	18 (A)			16	19	18	12	-1	-10		
<b>Noise Level at Receiver - Total</b>														
= Logarithmic Sum				<b>26 (A)</b>			<b>28</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-7</b>		

### Internal noise break out - Crowd - Function - At Receiver 3

Item / Description	Rating/Broadband/Input			31.5	63	Octave Band Centre Frequency, Hz								
	Rating	dB	dB(A)			125	250	500	1k	2k	4k	8k		
<b>Lp,i (internal, reverberant SPL)</b>	(from room reverb calc)			<b>85 (A)</b>										
<b>Noise break out - wall</b>														
Library - Type: Transmission Loss, Source: Glazing							-26	-28	-34	-35	-36	-44		
adjust	0			<b>Rw 35</b>			-26	-28	-34	-35	-36	-44		
<b>Noise level at Receiver</b>														
‡ Reverberant Room to Environment		40 m	15 m²	18 (A)			20	23	17	10	0	-17		
<b>Noise break out - roof</b>														
Library - Type: Transmission Loss, Source: User, ID: 344							-18	-20	-21	-21	-25	-25		
adjust	17			<b>Rw 40</b>			-35	-37	-38	-38	-42	-42		
<b>Noise level at Receiver</b>														
‡ Reverberant Room to Environment		45 m	36 m²	16 (A)			14	16	16	10	-4	-13		
<b>Noise Level at Receiver - Total</b>														
= Logarithmic Sum				<b>20 (A)</b>			<b>21</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-11</b>		

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Item / Description	Rating/Broadband/Input			31.5	63	Octave Band Centre Frequency, Hz								
	Rating	dB	dB(A)			125	250	500	1k	2k	4k	8k		
<b>Lp,i (internal, reverberant SPL)</b>	(from room reverb calc)			<b>85 (A)</b>										
<b>Noise break out - wall</b>														
Library - Type: Transmission Loss, Source: Glazing							-26	-28	-34	-35	-36	-44		
adjust	0			<b>Rw 35</b>			-26	-28	-34	-35	-36	-44		
<b>Noise level at Receiver</b>														
‡ Reverberant Room to Environment		3 m	0 m²	6 (A)			0	0	0	0	0	0		
<b>Noise break out - roof</b>														
Library - Type: Transmission Loss, Source: User, ID: 344							-18	-20	-21	-21	-25	-25		
adjust	17			<b>Rw 40</b>			-35	-37	-38	-38	-42	-42		
<b>Noise level at Receiver</b>														
‡ Reverberant Room to Environment		4 m	36 m²	37 (A)			35	37	37	31	18	8		
<b>Noise Level at Receiver - Total</b>														
= Logarithmic Sum				<b>37 (A)</b>			<b>35</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>		

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### Internal noise break out - Crowd - Function - At Receiver 5

Item / Description	Rating/Broadband/Input			31.5	63	Octave Band Centre Frequency, Hz								
	Rating	dB	dB(A)			125	250	500	1k	2k	4k	8k		
<b>Lp,i (internal, reverberant SPL)</b>	(from room reverb calc)			<b>85 (A)</b>										
<b>Noise break out - wall</b>														
Library - Type: Transmission Loss, Source: Glazing							-26	-28	-34	-35	-36	-44		
adjust	0			<b>Rw 35</b>			-26	-28	-34	-35	-36	-44		
<b>Noise level at Receiver</b>														
‡ Reverberant Room to Environment		3 m	0 m²	6 (A)			0	0	0	0	0	0		
<b>Noise break out - roof</b>														
Library - Type: Transmission Loss, Source: User, ID: 344							-18	-20	-21	-21	-25	-25		
adjust	12			<b>Rw 35</b>			-30	-32	-33	-33	-37	-37		
<b>Noise level at Receiver</b>														
‡ Reverberant Room to Environment		27 m	36 m²	25 (A)			23	26	25	19	6	-3		
<b>Noise Level at Receiver - Total</b>														
= Logarithmic Sum				<b>25 (A)</b>			<b>23</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>		



