# **Forth Replacement Crossing**

Employer's Delivery Team Construction Noise Monitoring Report

> FIFE ITS Contract (February 2012)





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# FORTH REPLACEMENT CROSSING - FIFE ITS

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# NOISE COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORT FOR EARTHWORKS (FILL EMBANKMENT) AT GANTRY 02F.

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#### Introduction

#### The Brief

Waterman Energy, Environment & Design Limited (hereafter 'Waterman') was instructed by John Graham (Dromore) Limited to undertake an assessment of noise and vibration in support of the on-going Fife Intelligent Transport Scheme (ITS) in line with the Forth Replacement Crossing Code of Construction Practice (the CoCP) and Appendix 1/9 of the Employers Requirements (hereafter 'the Employers Requirements').

A Plan for the Control of Noise and Vibration has been submitted and approved for works to be undertaken during the embankment works (FRC-FITS-JG-PCNV0005) which assessed the potential noise impacts associated with embankment works including excavation, piling and concreting. This document sets out the findings of a compliance monitoring exercise during the earthworks on the southbound hard shoulder at Gantry Site 02F. Works were continuous on the site between 24<sup>th</sup> January 2012 and 19<sup>th</sup> February 2012.

In order to ensure compliance with Best Practicable Means (BPM) the approved PCNV, CoCP and the Employers Requirements noise monitoring has been undertaken at the closest location to the works throughout the survey period.

#### Site Description and Description of Works

The closest NSRs to the works are those located off Park Lea, Rosyth (refer to Table 1).

Table 1	Noise Sensitive Re	ceptors			
Noise Sensitiv Recept		Description	Grid Reference	Distance Works	from
NSR B	Properties Park Lea F		ellings 312410,68 3958	60m	

#### **Baseline Conditions and Noise Assessment Criteria**

Baseline noise monitoring has been undertaken at a location representative of the closest existing sensitive receptor to the works (see Table 1). The monitoring data is provided in full within the separately submitted baseline noise report (FRC-FITS-JG-NVMP-BMR-0001) and is summarised below. Following completion of the baseline monitoring exercise noise assessment category levels were set in compliance with the CoCP and the Employers Requirements. The assessment category levels in terms of  $L_{Aeq,T}$  and  $L_{Amax}$  are presented as Table 2.

#### Table 2 Noise Assessment Category Levels

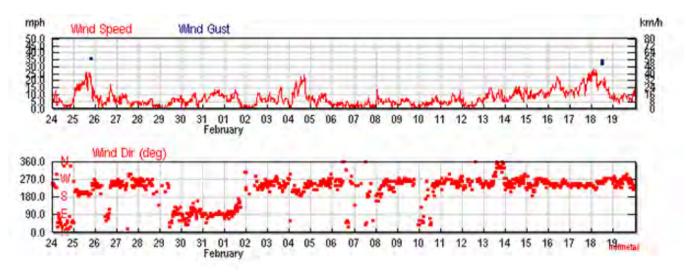
Period	Monitored Baseline Assessr			ent Category B
	L <sub>Aeq, 1 hour</sub>	L <sub>Amax,F</sub>	L <sub>Aeq</sub>	L <sub>Amax</sub>
Daytime	67	72	70	85

#### **Monitoring Methodology**

Unattended noise monitoring was undertaken between Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2012 and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2012 by trained and competent staff holding corporate membership of the institute of acoustics (IOA). A single monitoring location was selected so as to be representative of the closest sensitive receptors to the works. All measurements were undertaken under free field conditions (i.e. there were no nearby reflecting surfaces, other than the ground). The measurement location is described in Table 1 below. A member of the Waterman Noise and Vibration Team visited the site on a weekly basis so as to change batteries and take site notes.

Table 1:	Noise Monitoring Location	
Location	Description	Subjective Observations
26 Park Le	Two storey residential dwellings locat approximately 60m from the embankment work The M90 runs on embankment at this location a is approximately at roof level with the propertie Monitoring location set in free field conditions at height of 1.5m.	ks. noise from the adjacent M90 nd es.

The weather throughout the survey period was noted to be predominantly dry with some periods of snowfall. The wind direction throughout the survey period was noted to be predominantly from the south west with wind speeds of up to 25mph, average wind speeds throughout the survey period were below 10 mph. The average temperature throughout the survey was noted to be 3°C.

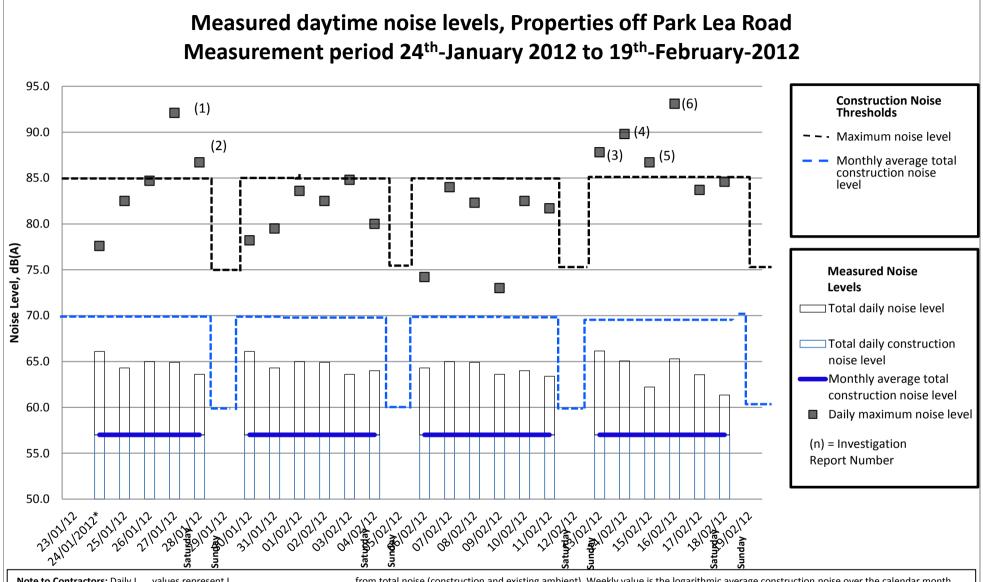


The monitoring equipment used during the survey period is described in Table 2. The sound level meters were calibrated both before and after each monitoring period; no significant drift from the reference level of 94 dB was recorded. The sound level meter was also calibrated in the last year to BS EN 60942.

Table 2: Noise Monitoring Equipme	ent
Sound Level Meter	LT1
Meter Mode	Rion NL-32
Serial Number	32403193
Calibrator	
Calibrator Model	NC-74
Serial Number	35173533
Calibration Level at 1000 Hz	94 dB
Microphone	
Microphone Type	UC-53A
Microphone Serial Number	316668

Noise levels were monitored at five minute intervals throughout the survey period. The parameters logged throughout the survey period were  $L_{Aeq.} L_{Amix}$ ,  $L_{Amin}$ ,  $L_{A90}$  and  $L_{A10}$ . The  $L_{Aeq}$  level is the equivalent continuous sound pressure level over the measurement period;  $L_{Amax}$  is an indicator of the highest sound level during the measurement period; the  $L_{Amin}$  is the lowest level during the measurement period;  $L_{A90}$  is used as a descriptor of background noise levels and  $L_{A10}$  is the noise level which is achieved for 10% of the monitoring period and is often used to describe road traffic noise.

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	W	eek	Summary Text	Site Indicator
1	(24/01/2012	2 - 29/01/2012)	Monitored noise levels recorded during this survey period fell consistently below both the construction noise threshold level and the baseline noise level during this survey period. The daily $L_{Amax}$ was exceeded on two occassions (1 and 2 on graph). Futher analysis of hourly data however illustrates that the $L_{Amax}$ is predominantly satisfied during the construction works with $L_{Amax}$ exceedences being as a result of activity within the occupants gardens. In view of this it is considered that during the first week of works all activities where completed in accordance with the approved PCNV and as such, no additional action is required.	
2	2 (30/01/201	2-05/02/2012)	Monitored noise levels recorded during this survey period fell consistently below both the construction noise threshold level and the baseline noise level during this survey period. In view of this it is considered that all activities where completed in accordance with the approved PCNV and as such, no additional action is required.	
3	3 (06/02/201	2-12/02/2012)	Monitored noise levels recorded during this survey period fell consistently below both the construction noise threshold level and the baseline noise level during this survey period. In view of this it is considered that all activities where completed in accordance with the approved PCNV and as such, no additional action is required.	
2	4 (13/02/201	2-19/02/2012)	Monitored noise levels recorded during this survey period fell consistently below both the construction noise threshold level and the baseline noise level during this survey period. The daily $L_{Amax}$ was exceeded on four occassions (3 to 6 on graph). Futher analysis of hourly data however illustrates that the $L_{Amax}$ is predominantly satisfied during the construction works with $L_{Amax}$ exceedences representing a single event over the survey period in this case as a result of short term works associated with the erection of fencing. Although exceedences were recorded given that these were during the daytime period and single incidences only it is considered unlikely that they would give rise to disturbance. Nonetheless a review of working practices has been undertaken and it was determined that all works were being undertaken in line with BPM	
			Site Indicator	
		Classification	Mitigation Working no apparent noise problems	
		Description	Noise levels throughout the week are below the adopted threshold level thr period. No exceedences of L <sub>Amax</sub> criteria attributable to the works. Continue following best practice guidance as outlined in site environment p	
		Action Classification	Continue following best practice guidance as outlined in site environment p	
		Description	Noise levels have increased to approaching the adopted threshold level an been a small number of exceedences of the L <sub>Amax</sub> criteria attributable to the	
		Action	Check mitigation is operating as anticipated and if further measures are ap	propriate.
		Classification	Further Review of Mitigation	
		-	Noise levels have exceeded the adopted threshold level and/or the L <sub>Amax</sub> control development of the survey period.	
			Review mitigation measures with Environmental Manager or Adviser to ens	sure current



**Note to Contractors:** Daily L<sub>Aeq</sub> values represent L<sub>Aeq (10 hour Saturday, 11 hour Weekday)</sub> from total noise (construction and existing ambient). Weekly value is the logarithmic average construction noise over the calendar month, assessed against the threshold level. Daily L<sub>Amax,F</sub> represents the highest single event value over the daytime period, investigative reports into exceedances identify whether or not these values correspond to construction Sunday data have not been included as no construction works have been conducted during these hours.

		L <sub>Aeq</sub>						L <sub>Amax</sub>		
			Daytime, L <sub>Aeq(11 hour weekday,</sub>							
		Measured Baseline	10 hour Saturday) (NOTE: As			Measured -		Weekly Average		
_		(NOTE: From ES or if new	measured during	Inferred construction levels (See	_	Construction	Category Threshold	Construction	Daytime	Lmax
Day		receptor as measured)	construction)	note below)	10^Lp/10	(difference)	(Daytime)	(Logarithmic)	Lmax	Threshold
Monday	23/01/12									
Tuesday	24/01/2012*	67	66.1	57.0		9	-		77.6	
Wednesday	25/01/12	67	64.3	57.0		7	70		82.5	85.0
Thursday	26/01/12	67	65.0	57.0		8	70		84.7	85.0
Friday	27/01/12	67	64.9	57.0		8	70		92.1	85.0
Saturday	28/01/12	67	63.6	57.0	501187.2	7	70	57	86.7	85.0
Sunday	29/01/12									
Monday	30/01/12	67	66.1	57.0	501187.2	9	70	57	78.2	85.0
Tuesday	31/01/12	67	64.3	57.0	501187.2	7	70	57	79.5	85.0
Wednesday	01/02/12	67	65.0	57.0	501187.2	8	70	57	83.6	85.0
Thursday	02/02/12	67	64.9	57.0	501187.2	8	70	57	82.5	85.0
Friday	03/02/12	67	63.6	57.0	501187.2	7	70	57	84.8	85.0
Saturday	04/02/12	67	64.0	57.0	501187.2	7	70	57	80.0	85.0
Sunday	05/02/12									
Monday	06/02/12	67	64.3	57.0	501187.2	7	70	57	74.2	85.0
Tuesday	07/02/12	67	65.0	57.0	501187.2	8	70	57	84.0	85.0
Wednesday	08/02/12	67	64.9	57.0	501187.2	8	70	57	82.3	85.0
Thursday	09/02/12	67	63.6	57.0	501187.2	7	70	57	73.0	85.0
Friday	10/02/12	67	64.0	57.0	501187.2	7	70	57	82.5	85.0
Saturday	11/02/12	67	63.4	57.0	501187.2	6	70	57	81.7	85.0
Sunday	12/02/12									
Monday	13/02/12	67	66.1	57.0	501187.2	9	70	57	87.8	85.0
Tuesday	14/02/12	67	65.1	57.0	501187.2	8	70	57	89.8	85.0
Wednesday	15/02/12	67	62.2	57.0	501187.2	5	70	57	86.7	85.0
Thursday	16/02/12	67	65.3	57.0	501187.2	8	70	57	93.1	85.0
Friday	17/02/12	67	63.6	57.0	501187.2	7	70	57	83.7	85.0
Saturday	18/02/12	67	61.3	57.0	501187.2	4	70	57	84.6	85.0
Sunday	19/02/12									
	-		truction noise (Logarithmic)	E7 00	-	-	-	-		

Monthly construction noise (Logarithmic)

57.00

\* - L<sub>Aeq,9h</sub>

Exceedance Number	Description
1	An exceedance of the L <sub>amax</sub> threshold level of 85dB was recorded on the 27/01/2012. A monitored noise level of 92.1dB Lamax was recorded during this period. A review of the SLMa audio files for this period indicated that the exceedance of the Lamax criteria did not occur as a result of the works but rather as a result of the single noisy event within the occupants garden. In light of the above no additional action was considered necessary.
2	An exceedance of the Lamax threshold level of 85dB was recorded on the 28/01/2012. A monitored noise level of 86.7dB Lamax was recorded during this period. A review of the SLMa audio files for this period indicated that the exceedance of the Lamax criteria did not occur as a result of the works but rather as a result of the single noisy event within the occupants garden. In light of the above no additional action was considered necessary.
3	An exceedance of the Lamax threshold level of 85dB was recorded on the 13/02/2012. A monitored noise level of 87.8dB Lamax was recorded during this period. A review of the SLMa audio files for this period indicated that the exceedance of the Lamax criteria did not occur as a result of the works but rather as a result of the single noisy event within the occupants garden. In light of the above no additional action was considered necessary.
4	An exceedance of the Lamax threshold level of 85dB was recorded on the 14/02/2012. A monitored noise level of 89.8dB Lamax was recorded during this period. A review of the SLMa audio files for this period indicated that the exceedance of the Lamax criteria did not occur as a result of the works but rather as a result of the single noisy event within the occupants garden. In light of the above no additional action was considered necessary.
5	An exceedance of the Lamax threshold level of 85dB was recorded on the 15/02/2012. A monitored noise level of 86.7dB Lamax was recorded during this period. A review of the SLMa audio files for this period indicated that the exceedance of the Lamax criteria did not occur as a result of the works but rather as a result of the single noisy event within the occupants garden. In light of the above no additional action was considered necessary.
6	An exceedance of the Lamax threshold level of 85dB was recorded on the 16/02/2012. A monitored noise level of 93.1dB Lamax was recorded during this period. A review of the SLMa audio files for this period indicated that the exceedance arrose as a result of activity associated with the erection of fencing associated with the scheme. Given that the recorded exceedance was singular and occured during the daytime period onlu it is considered unlilkey to give rise to disturbance. Nonetheless a review of working practices was undertaken and it was determined that all works were being undertaken in line with BPM.



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# FORTH REPLACEMENT CROSSING - FIFE ITS

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# NOISE COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORT FOR MINEWORKING CONSOLIDATION AT SITE G20F

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#### Introduction

#### The Brief

Waterman Energy, Environment & Design Limited (hereafter 'Waterman') was instructed by John Graham (Dromore) Limited to undertake an assessment of noise and vibration in support of the on-going Fife Intelligent Transport Scheme (ITS) in line with the Forth Replacement Crossing Code of Construction Practice (the CoCP) and Appendix 1/9 of the Employers Requirements (hereafter 'the Employers Requirements').

A Plan for the Control of Noise and Vibration has been submitted and approved for works to be undertaken during the grouting of mine works (FRC-FITS-JG-PCNV0007) which assessed the potential noise impacts associated with mine workings including borehole drilling and grouting. This document sets out the findings of a compliance monitoring exercise during the grouting of mine workings adjacent to Gantry Site 20F. Works were continuous on the site between 30<sup>th</sup> January 2012 and 19<sup>th</sup> February 2012.

In order to ensure compliance with Best Practicable Means (BPM) the approved PCNV, CoCP and the Employers Requirements noise monitoring has been undertaken at the closest location to the works throughout the survey period.

#### Site Description and Description of Works

The closest NSRs to the works are those located off Alice Grove, Crossgates (refer to Table 1). During the works a number of boreholes were drilled and a grout mixture pumped into the hole in order to stabalise existing mine workings.

#### Table 1 Noise Sensitive Receptors

Noise Sensitive Receptor	Name	Description	Grid Reference	Distance Works	from
NSR A	Properties on Alice Grove	Two story residential dwellings	314050,688 988	50m	

#### **Baseline Conditions and Noise Assessment Criteria**

Baseline noise monitoring has been undertaken at a location representative of the closest existing sensitive receptor to the works (see Table 1). The monitoring data is provided in full within the separately submitted baseline noise report (FRC-FITS-JG-NVMP-BMR-0001) and is summarised below. Following completion of the baseline monitoring exercise noise assessment category levels were set in compliance with the CoCP and the Employers Requirements. The assessment category levels in terms of  $L_{Aeg,T}$  and  $L_{Amax}$  are presented as Table 2.

#### Table 2 Noise Assessment Category Levels

Period	Monitored Baseline		Assessm	ent Category
	L <sub>Aeq, 1 hour</sub>	L <sub>Amax,F</sub>	L <sub>Aeq</sub>	L <sub>Amax</sub>
Daytime	61	71	65	80

#### **Monitoring Methodology**

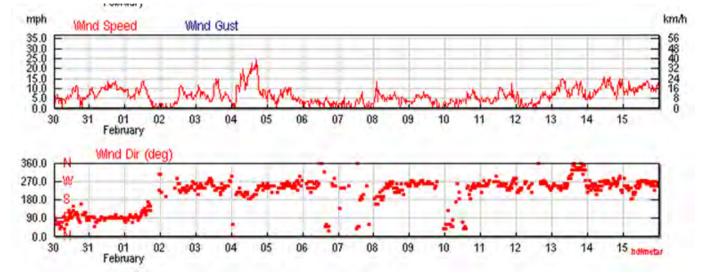
Noise monitoring was undertaken throughout mine grouting works at Gantry Site 20F. The monitoring was undertaken in line with the guidance provided in BS 4142:1997 and the approved PCNV (FRC-FITS-JG-PCNV-0007).

Unattended noise monitoring was undertaken between the 30<sup>th</sup> January 2012 and 19<sup>th</sup> February 2012 by trained and competent staff holding corporate membership of the institute of acoustics (IOA). A single monitoring location was selected so as to be representative of the closest sensitive receptors to the works. All measurements were undertaken under free field conditions (i.e. there were no nearby reflecting surfaces, other than the ground). The measurement location is described in Table 1 below. A member of the Waterman Noise and Vibration Team visited the site on a weekly basis so as to change batteries and take site notes.

#### Table 1:Noise Monitoring Location

Location	Description	Subjective Observations				
18 Alice Grove	Residential dwellings located approximately 50m from grouting works. Monitoring location set in free field conditions at a height of 1.5m.	Noise climate dominated by road traffic noise				

The weather throughout the survey period was noted to be predominantly dry. The wind direction throughout the survey period was noted to be predominantly from the west with wind speeds of up to 25mph, average wind speeds throughout the survey period where 10mph. The average temperature throughout the survey was noted to be  $3^{\circ}$ C.

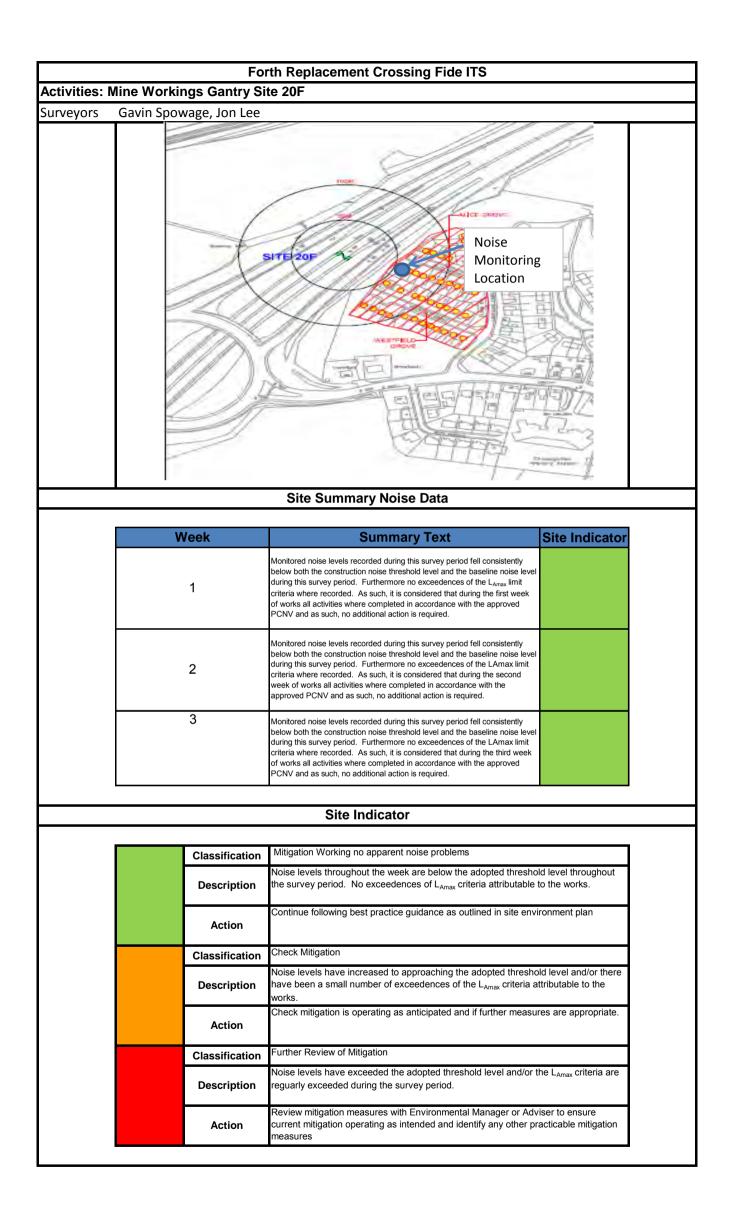


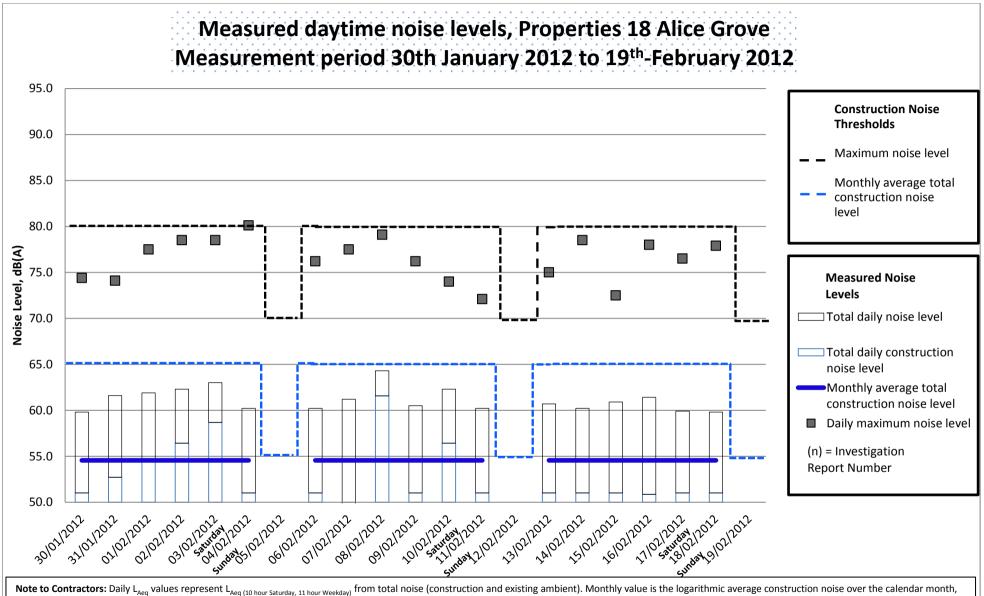
The monitoring equipment used during the survey period is described in Table 2. The sound level meters were calibrated both before and after each monitoring period; no significant drift from the reference level of 94 dB was recorded. The sound level meter was also calibrated in the last year to BS EN 60942.

#### Table 2: Noise Monitoring Equipment

Sound Level Meter	LT1
Meter Mode	Rion NL-32
Serial Number	00503293
Calibrator	
Calibrator Model	NC-74
Serial Number	35196845
Calibration Level at 1000 Hz	94 dB
Microphone	
Microphone Type	UC-53A
Microphone Serial Number	399988

Noise levels were monitored at five minute intervals throughout the survey period. The parameters logged throughout the survey period were  $L_{Aeq}$ ,  $L_{Amax}$ ,  $L_{Amin}$ ,  $L_{A90}$  and  $L_{A10}$ . The  $L_{Aeq}$  level is the equivalent continuous sound pressure level over the measurement period;  $L_{Amax}$  is an indicator of the highest sound level during the measurement period; the  $L_{Amin}$  is the lowest level during the measurement period;  $L_{A90}$  is used as a descriptor of background noise levels and  $L_{A10}$  is the noise level which is achieved for 10% of the monitoring period and is often used to describe road traffic noise.





Note to Contractors: Daily L<sub>Aeq</sub> values represent L<sub>Aeq (10 hour Saturday, 11 hour Weekday)</sub> from total noise (construction and existing ambient). Monthly value is the logarithmic average construction noise over the calendar month assessed against the threshold level. Daily L<sub>Amax,F</sub> represents the highest single event value over the daytime period, investigative reports into exceedances identify whether or not these values correspond to construction noise. Assessment category lines should be amended for each location. Sunday data have not been included as no construction works have been conducted during these hours.

		L <sub>Aeq</sub>						L <sub>Amax</sub>		
_		Measured Baseline (NOTE: From ES or if new receptor as	Daytime, L <sub>Aeq(11 hour weekday, 10 hour Saturday)</sub> (NOTE: As measured during	Inferred construction levels (See		Construction	Category Threshold		l '	Lmax
Day		measured)	construction)	note below)	10^Lp/10	(difference)		(Logarithmic)	Lmax	Threshold
Monday	30/01/12	61	59.8			9	65			
Tuesday	31/01/12	61	61.6	52.7	186514.4	9	65			
Wednesday	01/02/12	61	61.9	54.6		7	65			
Thursday	02/02/12	61	62.3	56.4	439318.2	6	65			
Friday	03/02/12	61	63.0	58.7	736336.9	4	65			
Saturday	04/02/12	61	60.2	51.0	125892.5	9	65	55	80.1	80.0
Sunday	05/02/12									
Monday	06/02/12	61	60.2	51.0	125892.5	9	65	55	76.2	80.0
Tuesday	07/02/12	61	61.2	47.7	59331.3	13	65	55	77.5	80.0
Wednesday	08/02/12	61	64.3	61.6	1432609.4	3	65	55	79.1	80.0
Thursday	09/02/12	61	60.5	51.0	125892.5	10	65	55	76.2	80.0
Friday	10/02/12	61	62.3	56.4	439318.2	6	65	55	74.0	80.0
Saturday	11/02/12	61	60.2	51.0	125892.5	9	65	55	72.1	80.0
Sunday	12/02/12									
Monday	13/02/12	61	60.7	51.0	125892.5	10	65	55	75.0	80.0
Tuesday	14/02/12	61	60.2	51.0	125892.5	9	65	55	78.5	80.0
Wednesday	15/02/12	61	60.9	51.0	125892.5	10	65	55	72.5	80.0
Thursday	16/02/12	61	61.4	50.8	121458.9	11	65	55	78.0	80.0
Friday	17/02/12	61	59.9	51.0	125892.5	9	65	55	76.5	80.0
Saturday	18/02/12	61	59.8	51.0	125892.5	9	65	55	77.9	80.0
Sunday	19/02/12									
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Average monthly construction noise (Logarithmic)

54.55