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Dear Mr Abantu-Choudhury



REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

We refer to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and/or the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) received by the Olympic Delivery Authority (ODA) on 14 July 2008 requesting the following information:

I would like to know the start time & last time of day for work-that-creates-noise on the whole Olympic Site.

I would then like to know - specifically - what start time & the last time of day that work-that-creates-noise is on the whole Arena Fields/Media Centre/Satellite Park/Soil Cleaning Machine that is right next door to the residential areas of Leabank Square & Wick Village.

Please include in your answer any noise-free weekend times.

We confirm that we hold information of the description specified in your request as detailed below.

The Planning Permission for the Olympic Park and the associated Code of Construction Practice define the site 'core hours' as:



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Monday to Friday 07.00 to 18.00

Saturday 07.00 to 14.00.

There is an additional half-hour start-up and close-down period at the start and end of each day where certain activities are permitted (e.g. movement of vehicles and plant (e.g. excavators, articulated dumper trucks etc.) to working areas)

In addition, permission may be sought from the Local Authority to undertake works outside of these core hours by applying for a Section 61 Consent. In order to obtain this from the Local Authority, Contractors are required to submit full details of the proposed works, specific noise control measures, noise levels as predicted for local residents and demonstrate they are doing everything practicable to reduce the impact of their works on local communities. The Consent will often include additional conditions such as noise limits and additional monitoring.

For the area adjacent to Leabank Square, a Section 61 Consent has been granted by Hackney to operate the soil washing plant until 10pm Monday to Friday with a reduced noise limit compared to the core working hours. The S61 Consent was granted in April 2008 after 2 months of consultation with Hackney to demonstrate noise levels could meet the required limit. We have attached a copy of the S61 Consent for your information (Annex **A** and **B**).

We trust that this information satisfies your request for information. However, if you are not satisfied with the response to your request and wish to make a complaint, you should write to The Information Officer, Olympic Delivery Authority, One Churchill Place, Canary Wharf, London, E14 5LN. Please state detailed grounds for your complaint.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner will not make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaint procedure provided by the ODA. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P Jarvis', enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

Penelope Jarvis
Information Officer
Olympic Delivery Authority