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Policy WM9 – Sustainable Waste Management Design and Layout

The proposed commercial development has been designed to incorporate sustainable waste management measures in accordance with Policy WM9 of the Merseyside and Halton Joint Waste Local Plan which was adopted and by Knowsley Council.

A dedicated refuse and recycling storage area will be provided within the site to accommodate separate containers for residual waste and recyclable materials generated by the commercial use. The waste storage area has been positioned to ensure convenient access for staff while minimising any impact on the appearance and operation of the development.

The storage facilities are of sufficient size to accommodate the anticipated waste arising from the proposed use and enable segregation of recyclable materials in accordance with the waste hierarchy. The enclosure will be designed to be secure, durable and appropriately screened to protect visual amenity and prevent unauthorised access.

The site layout enables waste collection to be undertaken safely and efficiently. Collection points are located so that waste operatives can access containers without causing obstruction to the public highway or pedestrian routes. Where collection vehicles enter the site, adequate manoeuvring space is available to allow vehicles to enter and leave in a forward gear.

The proposal has also sought to minimise waste generation through the efficient use of materials during construction and by providing suitable facilities to encourage recycling throughout the operational life of the development.

Overall, the development demonstrates compliance with Policy WM9 by:

- Providing dedicated and adequately sized refuse and recycling storage facilities.
- Enabling the separation and collection of recyclable waste streams.
- Ensuring safe and convenient access for waste collection vehicles and operatives.
- Integrating waste storage into the site layout without adversely affecting visual amenity or neighbouring occupiers.
- Supporting sustainable resource management and the principles of the waste hierarchy.

Litter Handling and Waste

- Regular cleaning
We will implement a routine cleaning schedule that includes frequent checks and cleaning of the areas surrounding the business premises to promptly address any litter.
- Staff will be trained to monitor and clean the premises as part of their duties
- Our business is committed to maintaining a clean environment and will take responsibility for any litter attributed to our operations.
This includes litter generated by customers in the vicinity of our premises.

Preventing Measures

- Signage will be displayed to encourage customers to dispose of their waste properly.
- We will participate in local initiatives aimed at reducing litter and promoting environmental responsibility.

Rat Infestation and Disposal

- As mentioned, all waste will be stored in secured, covered containers to prevent access by rodents.
- Regular waste collection will be scheduled to ensure that waste does not accumulate and attract pests.

Pest Control Measures

- We will engage a professional pest control service to conduct regular inspections and treatments, to prevent and address any potential rat infestations.
- Any sign of pest activity, will be promptly reported and addressed.

Compliance with Policy WM9

- In line with Policy WM9 of Merseyside and Halton Joint Waste Plan, we will ensure that our waste management practices include provisions for recycling materials and mitigating any risks associated with waste management.
- We will maintain separate containers for recycling materials and ensure they are collected by authorised recycling services.

The proposed development therefore accords with Policy WM9 of the Merseyside and Halton Joint Waste Local Plan which was adopted and by Knowsley Council, by incorporating appropriate and effective waste management facilities into the design and layout of the commercial development.