

Helicopter use at base hospital

I have read in your environmental impact study that, the issue of helicopter- related activity/ helicopter noise item 6.5 in the noise and vibration recommendations section that there is no need to address the use of helicopter as a part of this development, as it should have been addressed at the original planning application for the overall hospital.

I disagree that it is **not in this impact study**, and should be included in the impact study.

The main reason for me thinking like this, is that the hospital is growing and there for more flights will be coming here because of the new facilities, instead of flying them to the major hospitals nearer the major cities.

The other main reason for me thinking like this is that there should be consideration of nearby residents in regards to flight paths and the flight heights above resident's houses.

Please do not get me wrong, I support the work of the helicopters,

But **I do object** to my house vibrating/shaking and the noise when one of the helicopters is flying over my house less than 100 meters.

I fail to see why the flight path is not over the vacant crown land above the hospital, or why they don't maintain a safe height above residential housing to at least give them a chance of landing safety. There must be somewhere in the SOP (safe operating procedures) of flying a helicopter regarding flying above residential housing.

Just a question? If a helicopter has a major mechanical failure coming in to land Is it better to be over vacant land or residential housing?

I believe the helicopter landing pad should be on the roof of the new development alleviating a lot of the problems,

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Environmental Acoustic Assessment, I believe contradicts items

- 4.1.3
- 4.1.4
- 4.1.5
- 4.1.5.1
- 4.1.5.2
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Regards

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