

SUBMISSION

Background

This submission relates to the application by Sell & Parker “to increase the capacity of the Kings Park Metal Recovery to receive and process up to 600,000 tonnes per annum from 350,000 tonnes per annum”.

Noise

In simple but important terms, I am one of the residents living to the East of Sell & Parker’s facility and wish to make it known that:

- we (ie, my family) hear a lot of noise at various times from early morning to late evening (appreciating Sell & Parker can operate from **6am to 9pm Monday to Saturday** excluding public holidays, and they use **heavy duty and loud shears and shredders**)
- whilst some days/parts of the day are tolerable (ie, little noise), **many days/large parts of the day are bad** (ie, can be heard within the home/sound like a construction site)
- the **noise is highly uncomfortable and unpleasant** (ie, sharp loud metal banging)
- the **noise adversely impacts** our ability to enjoy our homes and yards, appreciating Sell & Parker can operate for **15 hours a day, 6 days a week**
- the **noise detrimentally impacts** our mental health and well-being because of the intrusion into the comfort we should be able to enjoy in our own homes
- whilst we appreciate Sell & Parker have a business to operate, a proper balance and **enforceable protection for residents** should be an equally high expectation and outcome
- our priority therefore is on **ensuring a permanent solution to the noise problem for residents**
- accordingly whilst we **STRONGLY OPPOSE AND OBJECT** to the application based on the noise experiences to date, **IF it is approved then we STRONGLY REQUEST that it be a mandatory condition of consent** that:

- (a) their hours of operation are reduced to be more reasonable for the comfort of residents – 15 hours a day, 6 days a week is just too much
- (b) much higher, thicker and best quality acoustic fences within Sell & Parker’s premises be built and maintained (eg, minimum 15-20 metres high) that span the whole of the Eastern perimeter of their premises (ie, facing Sunnyholt Road) and also as far as possible down the Southern perimeter of their premises (ie, facing Forge Street), and without any gaps
- (c) all other noise elimination/minimisation measures are implemented (to the extent possible)

Other

- we are aware other residents may express the same or similar views as we all suffer from the noise that Sell & Parker create