

It has come to my attention that the battery storage units of which there are several close to my boundry, have 2 major concerns in the basis of animal welfare. If these batteries were to catch fire they are located close to my boarding kennels of which at any one time can have up to 75 dogs in residence . The gases which would be emitted from these batteries which apparently have to be left until they cool down themselves could be highly toxic, which could have very harmful effects on the dogs I suggest that this an important animal welfare issue. Also I beleive that these batteries also emit a sound which I beleive should be studied as dogs have more sensative hearing than humans, this if it is, at a certain frequency could also be very distressing for the dogs, I also raise this as an animal welfare issue. I would repeat that the proposed location of the batteries is only a short distance from the dogs accomadation

I make a further statement as further information has come to my attention, I own and run the Boarding kennels that is situated in Laws Lane, right on the boundry of the proposed development, further to my earlier submission about the animal welfare issues that I hope will be taken seriously and addressed, as a business owner, I understand that entrances to the site will be in 2 areas in Laws Lane right next to my business, which will have a direct impact on customers wishing to enter my premises, the lane is already in a bad state of disrepair and this will only make it worse , the impact on my business could be considerable.

I am also deeply concerned about the amount of water storage that has been planned in the event of one of the batteries catching fire, with 61 cases known worldwide of these batteries catching fire, there is a strong need for this to be re evaluated as there is a stong risk of this being inadequate. There is conflicting reports on the amount of water required and I would urge that this should be looked at as a priority.