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1. Worcester City Council informally agrees that the following measures would be acceptable and these are given as a guide. However, it is for the contractor to decide whether to seek the Council's formal consent to his proposed methods of work and to the steps he proposes to take to minimise noise. The contractor shall employ the "best practicable means" as defined in the Control of Pollution Act 1974 to minimise noise and vibration resulting from his operations and shall have regard to British Standard BS 5228 1997 code of Practice for Noise Control on Construction and Open Sites. The Council does not specify permissible noise levels.
2. The Contractor shall ensure that all vehicles, plant and machinery used during the operations are fitted with effective exhaust silencers and that all parts of such vehicles, plant or machinery are maintained in good repair and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and are so operated and orientated so as to minimise noise emissions.
3. All compressors used shall be "noise reduced" models fitted with properly lined and sealed acoustic covers which shall be kept closed when the machines are in use and all ancillary pneumatic percussive tools shall be fitted with approved mufflers or silencers of the type recommended by the manufacturers. All of these items will be kept in good repair.
4. Any machinery used intermittently shall be shut down when not in use or, where this is impracticable, shall be throttled back to a minimum.
5. The Contractor shall advise the Council's Environmental Health Division (01905 722213) of a named person, or persons, in a position of authority who can be contacted at any time whilst works are being carried out.
6. The Contractor shall give prior notice to the Council's Environmental Health Division, where operations are to take place outside the normal working hours of 08.00 to 18.00 Mondays to Fridays and 08.00 to 13.00 Saturdays or any time on Bank Holidays.
7. Compliance with the above clauses shall not relieve the contractor of any of his obligations and liabilities under any contract of the Control of Pollution Act and The Environmental Protection Act 1990.

THIS IS NOT A PERMISSION FOR WORK TO COMMENCE. AN APPLICATION MUST BE MADE TO THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT TEAM, THE GUILDHALL, HIGH STREET, WORCESTER, WR1 2EY.