# **2 BURLEY ROAD, PADSTOW**

**Road Traffic Noise Assessment** 

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# 1 Introduction

SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd (SLR) has undertaken an acoustic assessment, relating to road traffic noise intrusion, for a proposed residential development at 2 Burley Road in Padstow, New South Wales (NSW).

The aim of the assessment was to determine minimum building constructions required to achieve satisfactory acoustic amenity within the future dwelling. This report documents the results and findings of the assessment, thus satisfying the requirements of the City of Canterbury-Bankstown in relation to the proposed dwelling.

# 2 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The proposed development will be a two-storey dwelling, located on the northwest corner of the Burley Road-Davies Road intersection in Padstow. The area surrounding the site is predominantly residential. **Figure 1** shows an aerial view of the project site and surrounds.

Layout plans and elevation drawings can be seen in **Appendix A**. The east-facing facade of the building will be the most exposed to noise from vehicles on Davies Road, situated approximately 8 m from the nearest active lane.

# **3 Road Noise Criteria**

The City of Canterbury Bankstown (CCB) does not provide any specific regulations regarding noise in its *Development Control Plan* (DCP) issued in 2015. Consequently, it is appropriate to consider road noise in the context of commonly-applied published criteria available in NSW.

The NSW Department of Planning (DoP) *Development near Rail Corridors and Busy Roads – Interim Guideline* (the DoP Guideline) provides guidance for the consideration of road noise and building constructions for proposed dwellings near busy roads.

The DoP Guideline relies upon the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007* ("the Infrastructure SEPP") for noise criteria internal areas of dwellings. In relation to road traffic noise at residential developments, Clause 102 'Impact of road noise or vibration on non-rail development' of the Infrastructure SEPP states:

"(3) If the development is for the purposes of residential accommodation, the consent authority must not grant consent to the development unless it is satisfied that appropriate measures will be taken to ensure that the following LAeq levels are not exceeded—

(a) in any bedroom in the residential accommodation  $-35 \, dB(A)$  at any time between 10 pm and 7 am,

(b) anywhere else in the residential accommodation (other than a garage, kitchen, bathroom or hallway) — 40 dB(A) at any time."



# Figure 1 Site Location and Surrounds



# 4 Existing Noise Environment

Long-term noise monitoring was completed at the site between Monday 4 April and Wednesday 13 April 2022. The measured noise levels have been used to determine the existing road traffic noise levels at the proposed site.

The monitoring equipment was positioned to measure existing noise levels at the location of the future facade most-exposed to noise from vehicles on Davies Road.

The noise monitoring equipment continuously measured existing noise levels in 15-minute periods during the daytime (7:00 am-10:00 pm) and night-time (10:00 pm-7:00 am).

The measurement results are shown in **Table 1**.

# Table 1 2 Burley Road, Padstow – Road Traffic Noise Levels

Location	Measured Noise Level (LAeq de	3A) <sup>1</sup>
	Day (15 hour)	Night (9 hour)
East-facing facade, ground floor	64	62

1. Adjacent to the most exposed and nearest facade to Davies Road.

The measurements were undertaken using a B&K 2250 Light sound level meter (Serial Number: 3004637). All equipment carried current National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) calibration certificates and equipment calibration was confirmed before and after the monitoring survey using a GRAS 42AG Acoustical Calibrator (Serial Number: 280550).

The measured noise levels have been adjusted to account for the measurement position relative to the future facade locations as shown in **Table 2**, to establish the future road traffic noise at the site.

# Table 2 Future Road Traffic Noise Levels

Noise Level	Daytime (LAeq(15 hour	) dBA)	Night-time (LAeq(9 hour) dBA)			
	Ground Floor	First Floor	Ground Floor	First Floor		
Measured noise level – ground floor, dBA	64	64	62	62		
Adjustment for first floor assessment location <sup>2</sup> , dBA		+2		+2		
Future noise level at east- facing facade, dBA	64	66	62	64		

1. Ground attenuation is less where the assessment location is higher from the ground, eg at second and subsequent levels of a building.

A -2 dBA adjustment has been applied for external noise levels at future facades with less exposure to road traffic noise from Davies Road.



# 5 Road Traffic Noise Intrusion

The DoP Guideline recommends the use of Australian Standard (AS) 3671:1989 Acoustics — Road Noise Intrusion–Building siting and construction (AS 3671) to determine the level of noise reduction required and the minimum sound insulation performance to be achieved by the external building envelope.

# 5.1 Required Noise Reduction

The required noise reductions to be achieved by the building facade have been calculated using the noise levels in **Table 2** and are shown in **Table 3**.

Table 3Required Noise Reductions

Time of Day	Future External N dBA LAeq	loise Level,	Internal Design Criteria, dBA LAeq	Required Noise Reduction, dBA		
	Ground FloorFirst Floorn)64 (15 hour)66			Ground Floor	First Floor	
Day (7:00 am – 10:00 pm)			40 (Habitable room)	24	26	
Night (10:00 pm – 7:00 am)	62 (9 hour)	64	35 (Bedroom)	27	29	

# 5.2 **Proposed Building Constructions**

The proposed building constructions are described in **Table 4**, along with the expected noise reduction performance.

# Table 4 Proposed Building Constructions

Building Element	Exterior wall: Brickwork with plasterboard internal lining with R2.5 cavity	Expected Noise Reduction, Rw <sup>1</sup>
Exterior wall: Ground Level	Brickwork with plasterboard internal lining with R2.5 cavity insulation	50
Exterior wall: Upper Level	James Hardie "Stria" and "Axon" fibre cement cladding with plasterboard internal lining with R2.5 cavity insulation	42 (Axon) 44 (Stria)
Roof	Roof tiles or metal roof with "Anticon" sarking, 10 mm thick plasterboard ceiling with R4.1 insulation overlaid	42

1. Noise reduction performance is commonly described in terms of the Weighed Sound Reduction Index, Rw. The higher the value, the better the noise reduction performance.

# 5.3 Facade Sound Insulation and Constructions

Calculations in accordance with the methodology contained within AS 3671 were undertaken to determine the minimum sound insulation performance of building constructions.

The size of the glazed elements (as shown in the project drawings provided) and likely acoustic characteristics of the bedrooms and habitable rooms have been considered. It is anticipated that the floor covering to the bedrooms would be carpet and the habitable areas (ie dining/lounge, entry, etc) would be hard-floored (ie timber, vinyl and/or tiled), with all rooms furnished.



Based on the proposed design of the dwelling, the future road traffic noise levels expected at the site, and the AS 3671 methodology, the minimum sound insulation ratings required to meet the internal criteria are described in **Table 5**.

Level	Occupancy	Element	Minimum Sound Insulation (Rw)	Example Glazing/Configuration
Ground Floor	Guest Room	Windows	32	10.38 mm laminated glass in a proprietary system with acoustic seals
	Sitting/Entry	Windows	28	6 mm float glass in a proprietary system with acoustic seals
		Entry Door	28	<ul> <li>35 mm thick timber door with acoustic seals, eg:</li> <li>Perimeter: Kilargo "Batwing" type seals or equivalent</li> <li>Bottom: Raven RP8 Si or RQ35 Si or equivalent</li> </ul>
	Retreat	Windows	30	<ul><li>6.38 mm laminated glass in a proprietary system</li><li>with acoustic seals, or</li><li>6 mm/12 mm air gap/6 mm double glazing</li></ul>
	Family	East Windows	32	10.38 mm laminated glass in a proprietary system with acoustic seals
		North Windows	30	<ul><li>6.38 mm laminated glass in a proprietary system</li><li>with acoustic seals, or</li><li>6 mm/12 mm air gap/6 mm double glazing</li></ul>
	Dining/Kitchen	North Windows	28	6 mm float glass in a proprietary system with acoustic seals
First Floor	Master	Windows	32	10.38 mm laminated glass in a proprietary system with acoustic seals
	Rumpus/Stair	South Windows	30	6.38 mm laminated glass in a proprietary system with acoustic seals
		East Windows	32	10.38 mm laminated glass in a proprietary system with acoustic seals
	Bedroom 2	Windows	30	<ul><li>6.38 mm laminated glass in a proprietary system</li><li>with acoustic seals, or</li><li>6 mm/12 mm air gap/6 mm double glazing</li></ul>
	Bedrooms 3/4	Windows	30	6.38 mm laminated glass in a proprietary system with acoustic seals, or 6 mm/12 mm air gap/6 mm double glazing

 Table 5
 Minimum Sound Insulation Performance Requirements

The glazed elements of other facades/occupancies not described in **Table 5** do not require specific acoustic controls.

It is noted that a range of proprietary window style and glazing options and configurations would be available to achieve the specified minimum acoustic performance shown in **Table 5**.



The supplier/manufacturer will be responsible for ensuring satisfactory performance of window/glazing systems. The builder will be responsible for ensuring the correct glazing is installed appropriately and effectively to each location.

Windows and doors are required to be closed to achieve compliance with the indoor noise criteria and an alternative means of ventilation is required to be provided as per the requirements of the NCC. This does not preclude the use of natural ventilation however, where natural ventilation is to be provided, the ventilation opening must be selected such that the overall composite sound insulation of the facade is not compromised.

# 6 Conclusion

SLR has undertaken a road traffic noise intrusion assessment of a proposed residential development at 2 Burley Road, Padstow.

The assessment has been undertaken in accordance with the NSW Department of Planning (DoP) *Development near Rail Corridors and Busy Roads – Interim Guideline.* 

Road traffic noise intrusion was assessed in accordance with methodology contained within AS 3671 to determine the minimum sound insulation rating of building elements to achieve the internal noise criteria nominated in the Infrastructure SEPP.

Calculations show that the Infrastructure SEPP criteria would be achieved using the proposed building constructions, together with glazing and entry doors capable of achieving the specified minimum sound insulation ratings in this report.

The required sound insulation ratings are not onerous and would be achieved with standard proprietary constructions.



# **APPENDIX A**

Site Plan, Layout and Elevations



















# **APPENDIX B**

Example AS 3671 Calculations

# AS3671 Calculation of Insulation Requirements for Building Elements

North Window 08	62	0.7	22 22 22	0.0	20 20 20 20	26	31	30	24	
East Stacker Door North Window 07	64 62	8.6	24	0.5	33	39 26	31	32	26	
Component Name East Window 06	Outside Noise Level, dBA 64	Area (sq.m) 2.2	<b>TNR</b> 24	Sc/Sf 0.1	<b>TNAc</b> 27	Rw 33	Contribution 31	Rw 32		Contributi
•								Alternative		
Number of Components		8								
Room height (m) Reverberation Time (T60)		3.5								
Floor Area (sq.m)		15.7								
Façade reflection included?		Yes								
Maximum Design External Exposure (dBA Design Internal Level (dBA)	.)	64 40	dBA LAeq							
Room Description		GF Family								
Project Number		670.30096								

AS3671 Calculation of Insu	ulation Requirement	nts for Buildin	g Elements								
Project Number		670.30096									
Room Description		1F Rumpus									
Maximum Design External Exposure (dBA)		66	dBA LAeq								
Design Internal Level (dBA)		40									
Façade reflection included?		Yes									
Floor Area (sq.m)		18.3									
Room height (m)		3.3									
Reverberation Time (T60)		1									
Number of Components		5									
									Alternative \$		
	Outside Noise Level, dBA	Area (sq.m)					Contribution		Rw		Contributio
South Stacker Door	64	6.5	24				33		32		3
South Façade	64	8.1	24	0.4	30	36	33		44	38	2
East Façade	66	14.9	26	0.8	35	41	33		44	38	3
Roof	64	18.3	24	1.0	34	40	33		42	36	3
East windows	66	3.7	26	0.2	29	35	33		32	26	3
			0	0.0	0	0	0			0	
			0	0.0	0	0	0			0	
			0	0.0	0	0	0			0	
			0	0.0	0	0	0			0	
					Overall Internal	Noise Level:	40		Overall Inter	mal Noise Level:	4
						Intern	al Noise Level is	0	equivalent	with proposed system	





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