

Noise Management Statement - Dog Grooming Service

The proposed dog grooming service will operate on a small-scale, appointment-only basis and has been designed to minimise any potential noise impact on neighbouring properties.

The business will operate **Monday to Thursday between 9:00am and 2:30pm** only. Appointments are carefully staggered, with a minimum **20-minute gap between dogs leaving and arriving**, to avoid overlap and congregation of customers. Owners are notified **10–15 minutes before their dog is due to be finished**, allowing them to arrive promptly and reducing waiting times and external activity.

The **external door will only be opened briefly when dogs are being dropped off or collected**. At all other times the door remains closed and locked, both to prevent noise escape and to ensure animal safety. Windows remain closed at all times, except for a minimal opening during bathing to manage steam; this opening is very small and does not materially increase noise transmission.

Mechanical equipment such as the **blaster/dryer is used only intermittently and solely for the duration required to dry each dog**. When in use, all doors and windows are closed, and the equipment is not audible outside the property.

Dog barking is **minimal and infrequent**. Most dogs do not bark, and any occasional barking is typically brief and may only occur if another dog passes nearby, which happens rarely.

Overall, the combination of restricted operating hours, appointment management, closed-door operation, and limited use of equipment ensures that noise levels remain low and are unlikely to cause disturbance to neighbouring occupiers.