

## Submission 76 – Anne Bridley

The guidelines seem to be all about promoting delivery drones even though I very much doubt if the general public is aware that their skies could be filled with overhead noise in an unprecedented way. If such a major change to our urban environment is to be contemplated, then there should be much more consultation than the present.

The guideline comparisons with road noise reveal a category error by comparing the two and implying that if drones are no noisier than roads, then they are acceptable. I have already experienced unwanted noise and intrusion from drones over my home. It is completely unacceptable to me that drones for a minority of people who wish to have unnecessary deliveries should become the norm and impinge on the majority in such a way.

I believe that the draft guidelines should be withdrawn and the department reconsider its promotion of this technology in urban areas. At the very least, it should be explicitly stated in the guidelines that local governments should have the power to ban the use of drone technology for non-essential services without being overruled by higher levels of government.