



TEST CERTIFICATE

Liquid and Plastic Limits

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Watford Herts WD18 8YS



Environmental Science

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Tested in Accordance with: BS 1377-2: 1990: Clause 4.3 and 5

Client: CURTINS
Client Address: Rose Wharf, Ground Floor,
78-80 East Street, Leeds,
LS9 8EE
Contact: Emma Scholes
Site Name: North Bierley
Site Address: Not Given

Client Reference: 65646
Job Number: 19-66815
Date Sampled: 02/10/2019
Date Received: 07/10/2019
Date Tested: 23/10/2019
Sampled By: Not Given

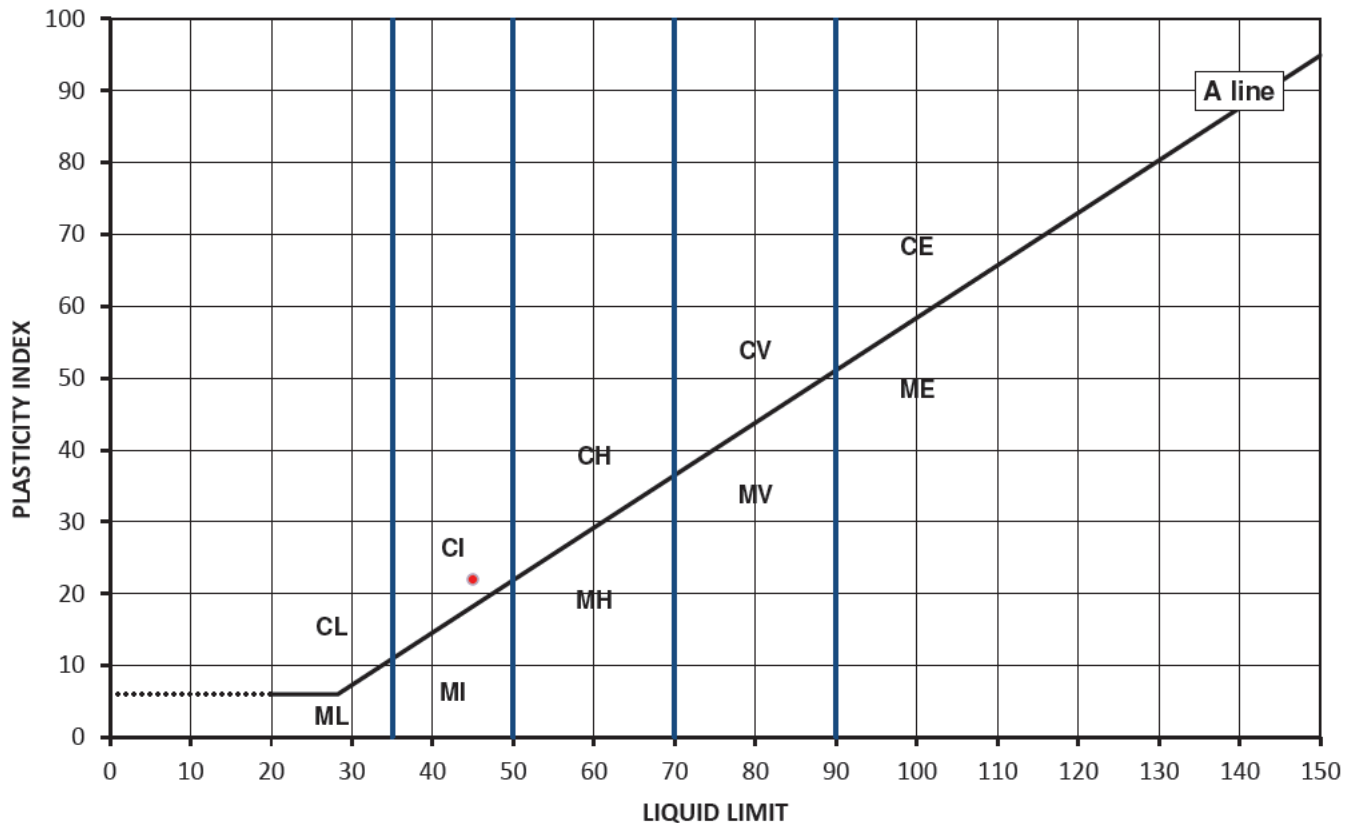
Test Results:

Laboratory Reference: 1335551
Hole No.: WS103
Sample Reference: Not Given
Soil Description: Mottled orangish brown and grey slightly gravelly sandy CLAY

Depth Top [m]: 1.30
Depth Base [m]: Not Given
Sample Type: D

Sample Preparation: Tested after washing to remove >425um

As Received Moisture Content [%]	Liquid Limit [%]	Plastic Limit [%]	Plasticity Index [%]	% Passing 425µm BS Test Sieve
24	45	23	22	85



Legend, based on BS 5930:2015 Code of practice for site investigations

C	Clay	Plasticity	Liquid Limit
M	Silt	L	Low
		I	Medium
		H	High
		V	Very high
		E	Extremely high
			below 35
			35 to 50
			50 to 70
			70 to 90
			exceeding 90
	Organic	O	append to classification for organic material (eg CHO)

Note: Moisture Content by BS 1377-2: 1990: Clause 3.2

Remarks:

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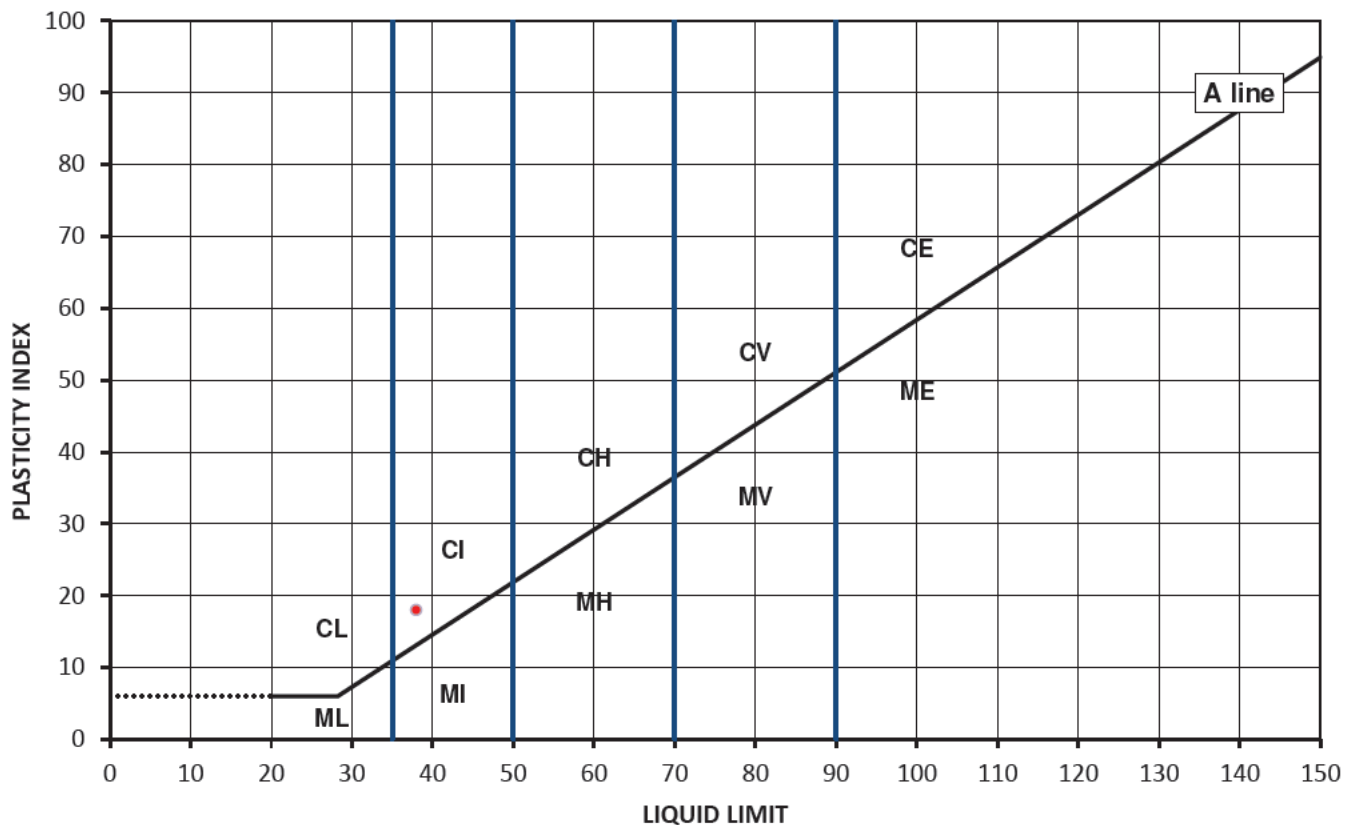
Test Results:

Laboratory Reference: 1335552
Hole No.: WS106
Sample Reference: Not Given
Soil Description: Orangish brown slightly gravelly sandy CLAY

Depth Top [m]: 0.50
Depth Base [m]: Not Given
Sample Type: D

Sample Preparation: Tested after washing to remove >425µm

As Received Moisture Content [%]	Liquid Limit [%]	Plastic Limit [%]	Plasticity Index [%]	% Passing 425µm BS Test Sieve
19	38	20	18	81



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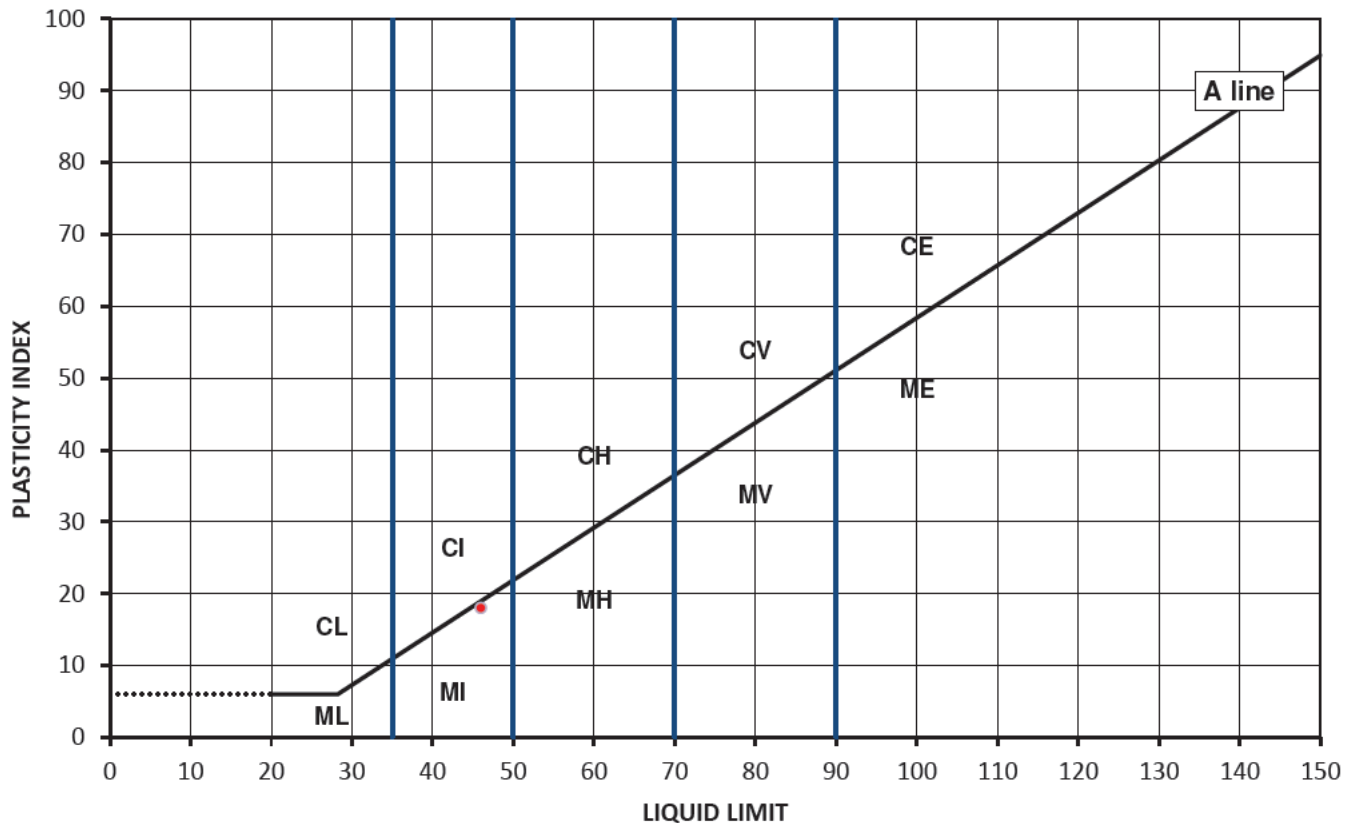
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Laboratory Reference: 1335553
Hole No.: WS109
Sample Reference: Not Given
Soil Description: Dark brown gravelly sandy CLAY

Depth Top [m]: 0.30
Depth Base [m]: Not Given
Sample Type: D

Sample Preparation: Tested after washing to remove >425µm

As Received Moisture Content [%]	Liquid Limit [%]	Plastic Limit [%]	Plasticity Index [%]	% Passing 425µm BS Test Sieve
24	46	28	18	72



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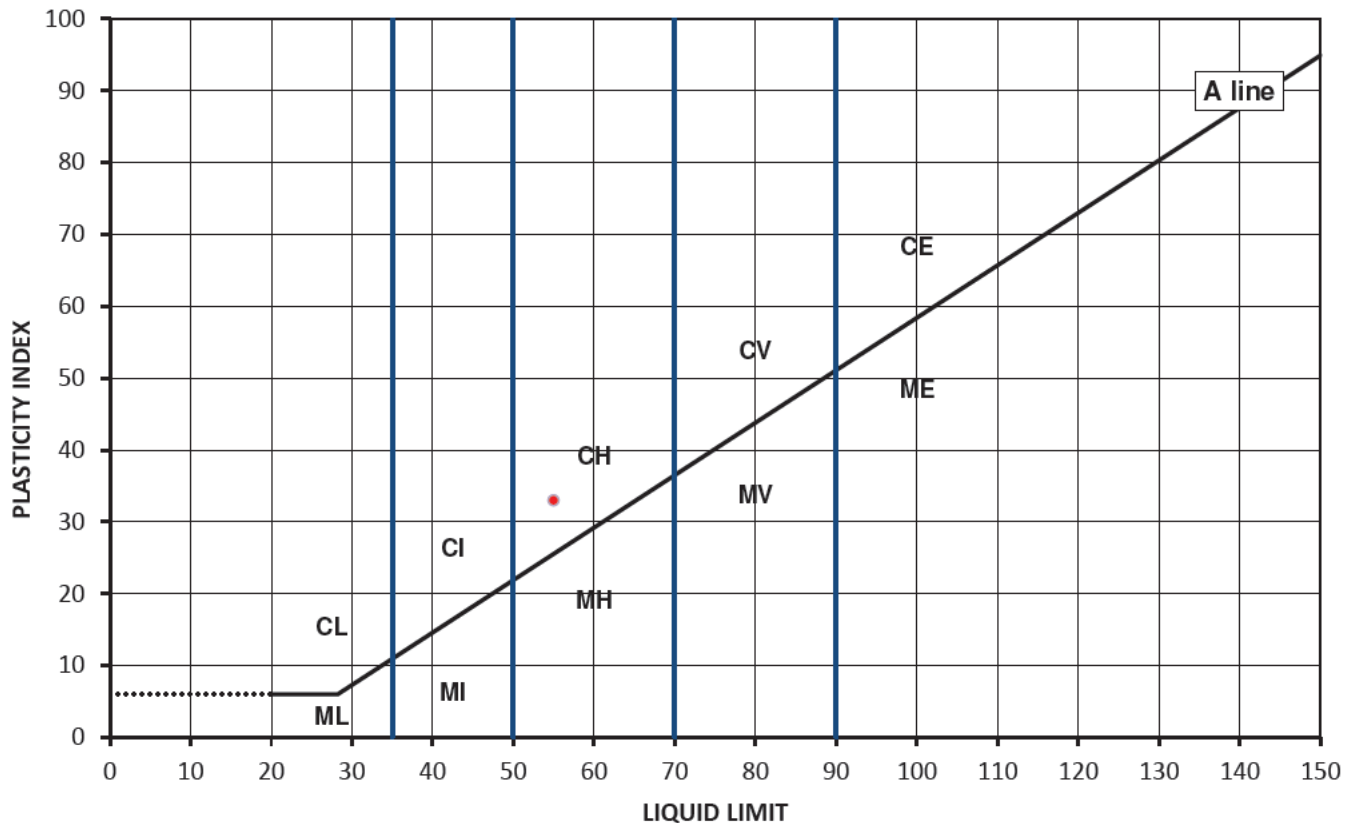
Test Results:

Laboratory Reference: 1335554
Hole No.: WS110
Sample Reference: Not Given
Soil Description: Dark brown slightly gravelly slightly sandy CLAY with roots

Depth Top [m]: 0.20
Depth Base [m]: Not Given
Sample Type: D

Sample Preparation: Tested after washing to remove >425µm

As Received Moisture Content [%]	Liquid Limit [%]	Plastic Limit [%]	Plasticity Index [%]	% Passing 425µm BS Test Sieve
23	55	22	33	75



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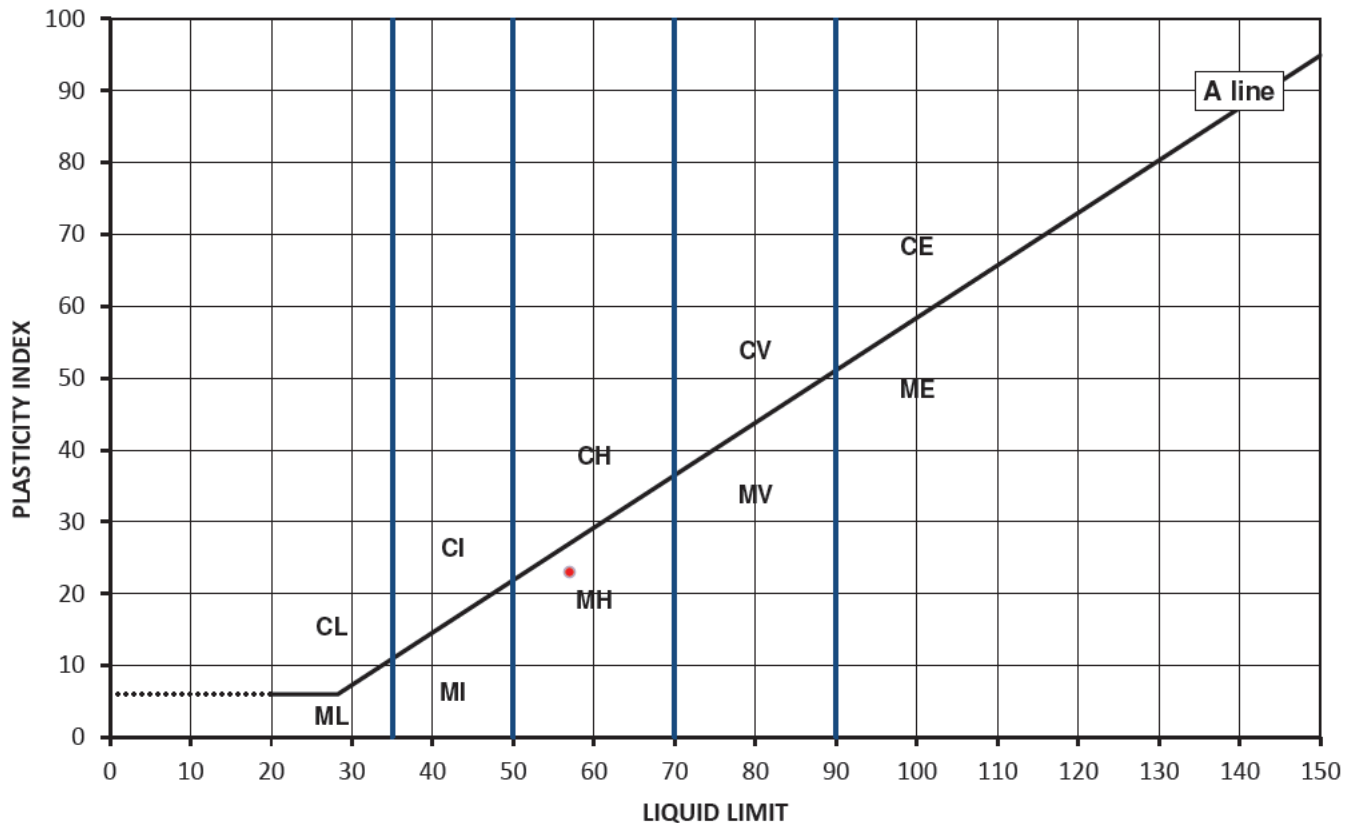
Test Results:

Laboratory Reference: 1335555
Hole No.: WS114
Sample Reference: Not Given
Soil Description: Orangish brown slightly gravelly slightly sandy CLAY

Depth Top [m]: 0.30
Depth Base [m]: Not Given
Sample Type: D

Sample Preparation: Tested after washing to remove >425µm

As Received Moisture Content [%]	Liquid Limit [%]	Plastic Limit [%]	Plasticity Index [%]	% Passing 425µm BS Test Sieve
37	57	34	23	91



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SUMMARY REPORT

Summary of Classification Test Results

Tested in Accordance with:

MC by BS 1377-2: 1990: Clause 3.2; WC by BS EN 17892-1: 2014; Atterberg
 by BS 1377-2: 1990: Clause 4.3, Clause 4.4 and 5; PD by BS 1377-2: 1990:
 Clause 8.2

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Date Received: 07/10/2019

Date Tested: 23/10/2019

Sampled By: Not Given

Test results

Laboratory Reference	Hole No.	Sample				Description	Remarks	MC	WC	Atterberg				Density			Total Porosity#		
		Reference	Depth Top m	Depth Base m	Type					% Passing 425um	LL	PL	PI	bulk Mg/m3	dry Mg/m3	PD Mg/m3			
1335546	WS101	Not Given	1.90	Not Given	D	Dark brown slightly gravelly slightly sandy CLAY	Atterberg 4 Point	25		72	59	33	26						
1335549	WS102	Not Given	1.40	Not Given	D	Orangish brown slightly gravelly very sandy CLAY	Atterberg 4 Point	15		78	30	17	13						
1335550	WS102	Not Given	2.60	Not Given	D	Orangish brown very gravelly sandy CLAY	Atterberg 4 Point	16		43	36	18	18						
1335551	WS103	Not Given	1.30	Not Given	D	Mottled orangish brown and grey slightly gravelly sandy CLAY	Atterberg 4 Point	24		85	45	23	22						
1335552	WS106	Not Given	0.50	Not Given	D	Orangish brown slightly gravelly sandy CLAY	Atterberg 4 Point	19		81	38	20	18						
1335553	WS109	Not Given	0.30	Not Given	D	Dark brown gravelly sandy CLAY	Atterberg 4 Point	24		72	46	28	18						
1335554	WS110	Not Given	0.20	Not Given	D	Dark brown slightly gravelly slightly sandy CLAY with roots	Atterberg 4 Point	23		75	55	22	33						
1335555	WS114	Not Given	0.30	Not Given	D	Orangish brown slightly gravelly slightly sandy CLAY	Atterberg 4 Point	37		91	57	34	23						

Note: # Non accredited; NP - Non plastic

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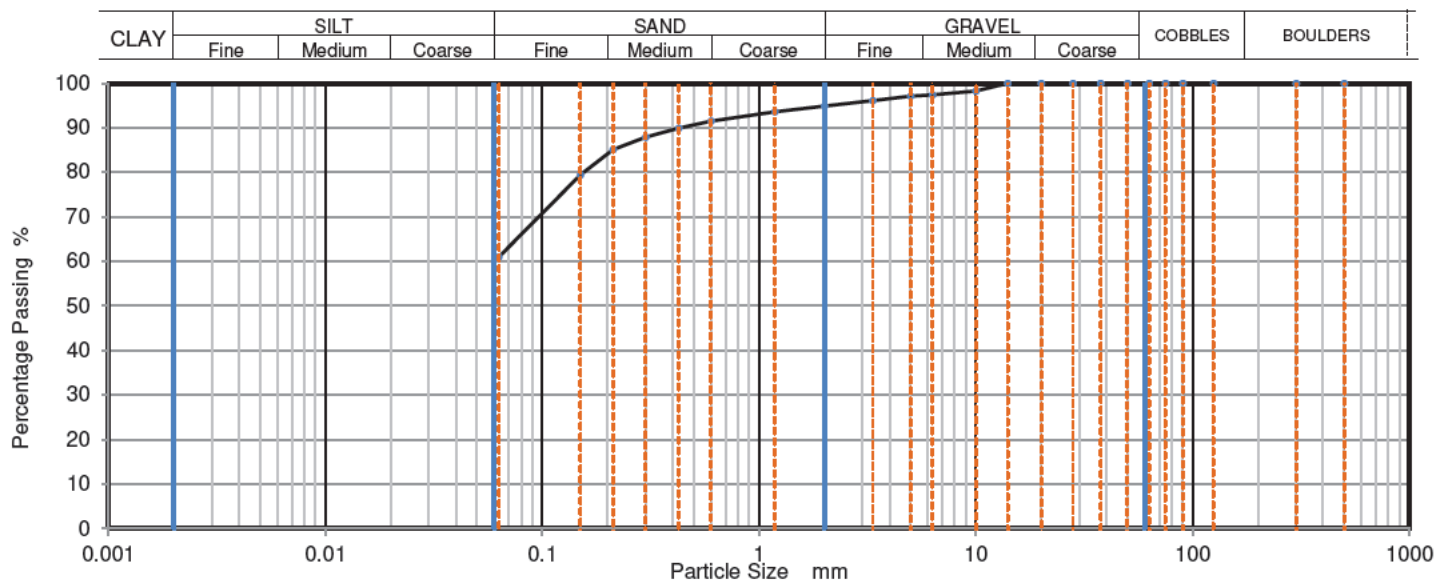
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Date Sampled: 02/10/2019
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Sampled By: Not Given

Test Results:

Laboratory Reference: 1335547
Hole No.: WS101
Sample Reference: Not Given
Sample Description: Orangish brown slightly gravelly sandy CLAY

Depth Top [m]: 3.20
Depth Base [m]: Not Given
Sample Type: D



Sieving		Sedimentation	
Particle Size mm	% Passing	Particle Size mm	% Passing
500	100		
300	100		
125	100		
90	100		
75	100		
63	100		
50	100		
37.5	100		
28	100		
20	100		
14	100		
10	98		
6.3	97		
5	97		
3.35	96		
2	95		
1.18	94		
0.6	92		
0.425	90		
0.3	88		
0.212	85		
0.15	79		
0.063	62		

Sample Proportions	% dry mass
Very coarse	0.00
Gravel	5.10
Sand	33.00
Fines <0.063mm	61.90

Grading Analysis	
D100	mm
D60	mm
D30	mm
D10	mm
Uniformity Coefficient	
Curvature Coefficient	

Note: Tested in Accordance with BS1377:Part 2:1990, clause 9.2

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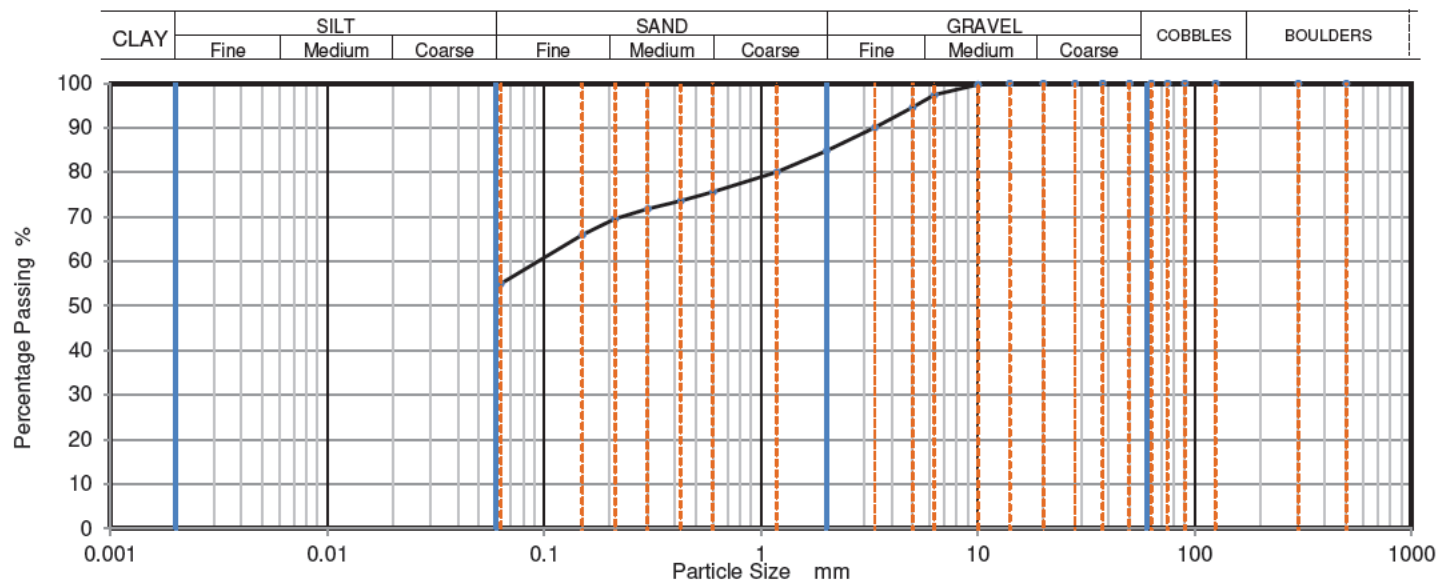
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Sampled By: Not Given

Test Results:

Laboratory Reference: 1335548
Hole No.: WS102
Sample Reference: Not Given
Sample Description: Orangish brown gravelly very sandy CLAY

Depth Top [m]: 1.20
Depth Base [m]: Not Given
Sample Type: D



Sieving		Sedimentation	
Particle Size mm	% Passing	Particle Size mm	% Passing
500	100		
300	100		
125	100		
90	100		
75	100		
63	100		
50	100		
37.5	100		
28	100		
20	100		
14	100		
10	100		
6.3	97		
5	95		
3.35	90		
2	85		
1.18	80		
0.6	76		
0.425	74		
0.3	72		
0.212	70		
0.15	66		
0.063	56		

Sample Proportions	% dry mass
Very coarse	0.00
Gravel	15.20
Sand	29.10
Fines <0.063mm	55.70

Grading Analysis	
D100	mm
D60	mm
D30	mm
D10	mm
Uniformity Coefficient	
Curvature Coefficient	

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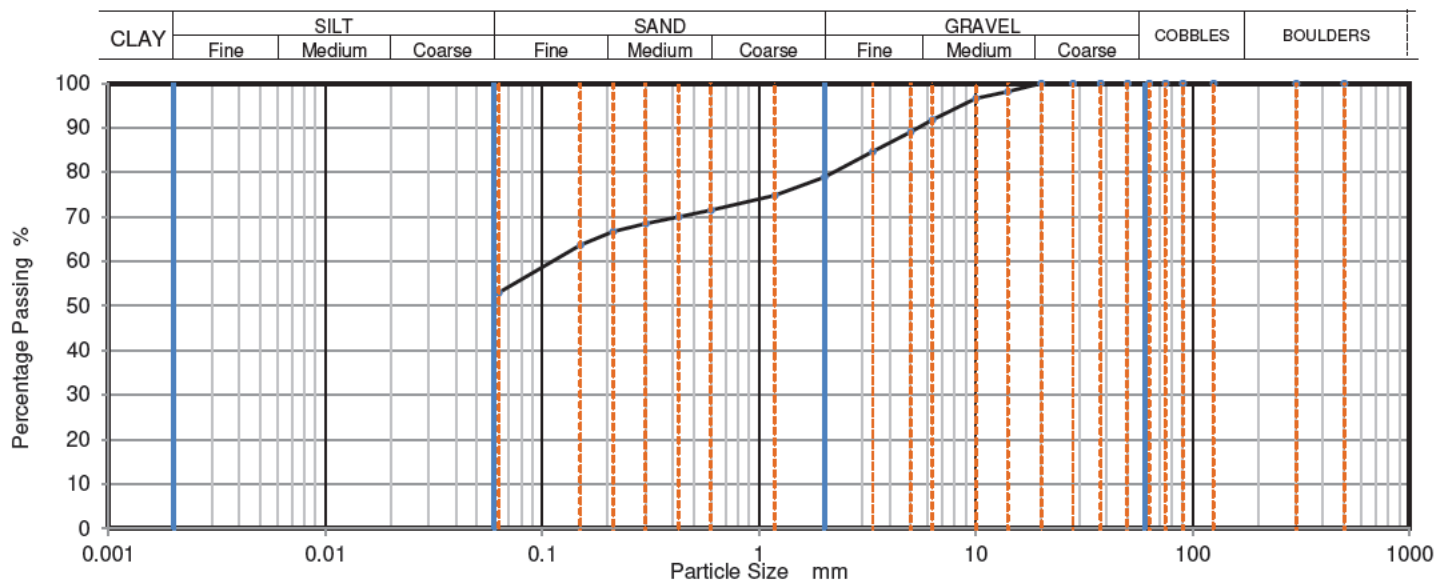
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Test Results:

Laboratory Reference: 1335553
Hole No.: WS109
Sample Reference: Not Given
Sample Description: Dark brown gravelly sandy CLAY

Depth Top [m]: 0.30
Depth Base [m]: Not Given
Sample Type: D



Sieving		Sedimentation	
Particle Size mm	% Passing	Particle Size mm	% Passing
500	100		
300	100		
125	100		
90	100		
75	100		
63	100		
50	100		
37.5	100		
28	100		
20	100		
14	98		
10	97		
6.3	92		
5	89		
3.35	85		
2	79		
1.18	75		
0.6	72		
0.425	70		
0.3	69		
0.212	67		
0.15	64		
0.063	54		

Sample Proportions	% dry mass
Very coarse	0.00
Gravel	21.10
Sand	25.10
Fines <0.063mm	53.80

Grading Analysis	
D100	mm
D60	mm
D30	mm
D10	mm
Uniformity Coefficient	
Curvature Coefficient	

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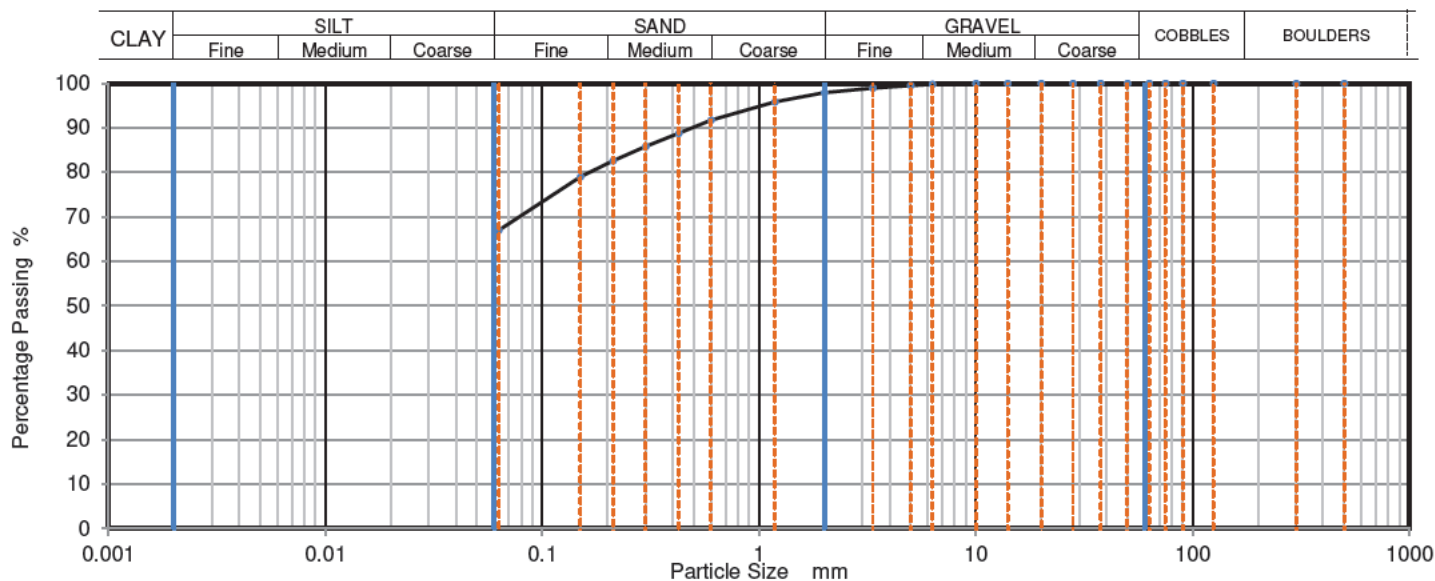
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Test Results:

Laboratory Reference: 1335556
Hole No.: WS116
Sample Reference: Not Given
Sample Description: Orangish brown sandy CLAY

Depth Top [m]: 0.30
Depth Base [m]: Not Given
Sample Type: D



Sieving		Sedimentation	
Particle Size mm	% Passing	Particle Size mm	% Passing
500	100		
300	100		
125	100		
90	100		
75	100		
63	100		
50	100		
37.5	100		
28	100		
20	100		
14	100		
10	100		
6.3	100		
5	100		
3.35	99		
2	98		
1.18	96		
0.6	92		
0.425	89		
0.3	86		
0.212	83		
0.15	79		
0.063	67		

Sample Proportions	% dry mass
Very coarse	0.00
Gravel	2.10
Sand	30.70
Fines <0.063mm	67.30

Grading Analysis	
D100	mm 10
D60	mm
D30	mm
D10	mm
Uniformity Coefficient	
Curvature Coefficient	

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Appendix E – Ground Gas and Groundwater Monitoring Results

Appendix F – GAC Screening Thresholds

Adopted Soil Generic Assessment Criteria
Sandy loam with 2.5% SOM



Contaminants	Residential <u>with</u> home grown produce	Residential <u>without</u> home grown produce	Allotments	Commercial	Public open space near residential housing POS _{resi}	Public park POS _{park}
Metals						
Beryllium	1.7	1.7	35	12	2.2	63
Boron	290	11,000	45	240,000	21,000	46,000
Cadmium	10⁽¹³⁾ 22	85⁽¹³⁾ 150	1.8 3.9	230 410	120 220	560 880
Chromium III	910	910	18,000	8,600	1,500	33,000
Chromium VI	6 <u>21</u>	6 <u>21</u>	1.8 <u>170</u>	33 <u>49</u>	7.7 <u>21</u>	220 <u>250</u>
Lead	<u>200</u>	<u>310</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>2,300</u>	<u>630</u>	<u>1,300</u>
Mercury (elemental)	1	1	26	26	16	26 ⁽⁸⁾ [30]
Mercury (inorganic)	170	240	80	3600	120	240
Nickel	130 ⁽¹⁰⁾	180 ⁽¹⁰⁾	53 ⁽¹¹⁾	980 ⁽¹⁰⁾	230	800
Vanadium	410	1200	91	9000	2000	5000
Copper	2400	7100	520	68000	12000	44000
Zinc	3700	40000	620	730000	81000	170000
Semi-Metals and non-metals						
Arsenic	32⁽¹²⁾ 37	35⁽¹²⁾ 40	43⁽¹²⁾ 49	640⁽¹²⁾ 640	79 <u>79</u>	170 <u>170</u>
Antimony		550		7500	1500	3300
Selenium	350	600	120	13000	1100	1800
Inorganic chemicals						
Cyanide	34	34	34	34	34	34
Organic contaminants						
<i>Aliphatic risk banded hydrocarbons - TPHCWG method</i>						
EC ₅ - EC ₆	78	78	1700	5900	590000	130000
EC ₆ - EC ₈	230	230	5600	17000	610000	220000
EC ₈ - EC ₁₀	65	65	770	4800	13000	18000
EC ₁₀ - EC ₁₂	330	330	4400	23000	13000	23000
EC ₁₂ - EC ₁₆	2400	2400	13000	82000	13000	25000
EC ₁₆ - EC ₃₅	92000	92000	270000	1700000	250000	480000
EC ₃₅ - EC ₄₄	92000	92000	270000	1700000	250000	480000
<i>Aromatic risk banded hydrocarbons - TPHCWG method</i>						
EC ₅ - EC ₇	140	690	27	46000	56000	84000
EC ₇ - EC ₈	290	1800	51	110000	56000	95000
EC ₈ - EC ₁₀	83	110	21	8100	5000	8500
EC ₁₀ - EC ₁₂	180	590	31	28000	5000	9700
EC ₁₂ - EC ₁₆	330	2300	57	37000	5100	10000
EC ₁₆ - EC ₂₁	540	1900	110	28000	3800	7700
EC ₂₁ - EC ₃₅	1500	1900	820	28000	3800	7800
EC ₃₅ - EC ₄₄	1500	1900	820	28000	3800	7800
Aliph + Arom EC >44-70	1800	1900	2100	28000	3800	7800
<i>Aromatic</i>						
Benzene	0.16	0.49	0.035	50	72	100
Ethyl benzene	150	380	39	1200⁽⁸⁾ [35000]	1200⁽⁸⁾ [24000]	1200⁽⁸⁾ [22000]
Toluene	270	1300	51	1900⁽⁸⁾ [110000]	1900⁽⁸⁾ [56000]	1900⁽⁸⁾ [95000]
Xylene ⁽⁹⁾	98	120	70	1200⁽⁸⁾ [14000]	1200⁽⁸⁾ [42000]	1200⁽⁸⁾ [23000]
Phenol	290	420	140	1500⁽¹⁴⁾ (35000)	1500⁽¹⁴⁾ (10000)	1500⁽¹⁴⁾ (8300)
<i>Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH)</i>						
Naphthalene	5.6	5.6	10	460	4900	1900
Acenaphthylene	420	4600	69	97000	15000	30000
Acenaphthene	510	4700	85	97000	15000	30000
Fluorene	400	3800	67	68000	9900	20000
Phenanthrene	220	1500	38	22000	3100	6200
Anthracene	5400	35000	950	540000	74000	150000
Fluoranthene	560	1600	130	23000	3100	6300
Pyrene	1200	3800	270	54000	7400	15000
Benz(a)anthracene	11	14	6.5	170	29	56
Chrysene	22	31	9.4	350	57	110
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	3.3	4.0	2.1	44	7.2	15
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	93	110	75	1200	190	410
Benzo(a)pyrene	2.7	3.2	2	35	5.7	12
Indeno(123cd)pyrene	36	46	21	510	82	170
Dibenzo(ah)anthracene	0.28	0.32	0.27	3.6	0.57	1.3
Benzo(ghi)perylene	340	360	470	4000	640	1500
Chlorinated Aliphatic Hydrocarbons						
Vinyl chloride	0.00087	0.001	0.001	0.077	3.5	5
Trichloroethene (TCE)	0.034	0.036	0.091	2.6	120	91
1,1,1,2 Tetrachlorethane	2.8	3.5	1.9	250	1400	1800
Tetrachlorethane (PCE)	0.39	0.4	1.5	42	1400	1100
1,1,1 Trichlorethane	18	18	110	1300	140000	76000

Notes

- All values above are in mg/kg
- Numbers in bold are SGVs or GAC that are derived based on SGV report input parameters, numbers in italics are S4ULs, numbers in bold-italics are based on EIC/AGS/CL:AIRE numbers & input parameters and underlined numbers are C4SLs
- Soil organic matter (SOM) is assumed to be 2.5% - DEFAULT VALUE
- Soil type is assumed to be sandy loam - DEFAULT SOIL TYPE
- For residential, the building type is conservatively assumed to be a small terrace house where the development includes bungalows change to more conservative bungalow setting in computer model
- For commercial, the building type is conservatively assumed to be a pre 1970s office building, where the proposed development comprises houses, flat with living spaces changes setting in model accordingly
- For classrooms consider increasing the dust loading factor in the 'Soil and Building Data' of the CLEA 1.04 model from 50 to 100µg m⁻³
- Based on vapour saturation limit as suggested by EA / [] model value
- Lowest of o-, m- and p-xylene
- Based on comparison of inhalation exposure with inhalation TDI
- Based on comparison of oral, dermal, and inhalation exposure with the oral TDI
- Based on a comparison of oral and dermal soil exposure with oral Index Dose only
- Averaged over and based on lifetime exposure
- Based on critical concentration for skin irritation in humans arising from contact with phenol in aqueous solution (number in brackets based on health effects following long term exposure for illustration)
- NA: Not applicable

Appendix G - Risk Assessment Methodology

The site-specific risk assessment, presented in this report, follows the principle of establishing whether there is a viable linkage between a contaminant source to a potential receptor, via an exposure pathway.

The risk assessment corresponds with the total site area and incorporates both descriptive (qualitative) and, where available, numerical (quantitative) lines of evidence.

Risk assessment is the process of collating known information on a hazard or set of hazards to estimate actual or potential risk to receptors. The receptor may be humans, a water resource, a sensitive local ecosystem or future construction materials. Receptors can be connected to the source by one or several exposure pathways such as direct contact for example. Risks are generally managed by isolating the receptor or intercepting the exposure pathway or by isolating or removing the hazard.

Without the three essential components of a source, pathway and receptor there can be no risk. Therefore, the presence of contaminant source on a site does not necessarily mean there is a risk.

The risk assessment considers the likelihood of an event taking place (accounting for the presence of the source and receptor and the viability of the exposure pathway) in conjunction with the severity of the potential consequence (accounting for the potential severity of the hazard and the sensitivity of the receptor).

In the risk assessment, the consequence of the hazard has been classified as severe or medium or mild or minor and the probability (likelihood) of the circumstances occurring classified as high likelihood or likely or low likelihood or unlikely.

The consequences and probabilities are subsequently cross-correlated to give a qualitative estimation of the risk using Department of the Environment risk classifications as detailed in the table below and as referenced in CIRIA C552.

		Consequence			
		Severe	Medium	Mild	Minor
Probability (Likelihood)	High Likelihood	Very High Risk	High Risk	Moderate Risk	Moderate/Low Risk
	Likely	High Risk	Moderate Risk	Moderate/Low Risk	Low Risk
	Low Likelihood	Moderate Risk	Moderate/Low Risk	Low Risk	Very Low Risk
	Unlikely	Moderate/Low Risk	Low Risk	Very Low Risk	Very Low Risk

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In accordance with DoE guidance, the following categorisation of **consequence** has been developed.

Classification	Definition	Examples
Severe	Short-term (acute) risk to human health likely to result in "significant harm" as defined by the Environment Protection Act 1990, Part IIA. Short-term risk of pollution of sensitive water resource. Catastrophic damage to buildings/property. A short-term risk to an ecosystem or organisation forming part of such ecosystem.	High concentrations of cyanide on the surface of an informal recreation area. Major spillage of contaminants from site into controlled water. Explosion, causing building collapse (can also equate to a short-term human health risk if buildings are occupied).
Medium	Chronic damage to Human Health. Pollution of sensitive water resources. A significant change in an ecosystem or organism forming part of such ecosystem.	Concentration of a contaminant from site exceeds the generic or site-specific assessment criteria. Leaching of contaminants from a site to a Principal or Secondary A aquifer. Death of a species within a designated nature reserve. Lesser toxic and asphyxiate effects
Mild	Pollution of non-sensitive water resources. Significant damage to crops, buildings, structures and services. Damage to sensitive buildings/structures/services or the environment.	Pollution of non-classified groundwater (inc. Secondary B aquifers). Damage to building rendering it unsafe to occupy (e.g. foundation damage resulting in instability).
Minor	Harm, although not necessarily significant harm, which may result in a financial loss or expenditure to resolve. Non-permanent health effects to human health (easily prevented by means such as personal protective clothing, etc). Easily repairable effects of damage to buildings, structures and services.	The presence of contaminants at such concentrations that protective equipment is required during site works. The loss of plants in a landscaping scheme. Discoloration of concrete.

In accordance with DoE guidance, the following categorisation of **probability** has been developed.

Classification	Definition
High Likelihood	There is a pollution linkage and an event that either appears very likely in the short term and almost inevitable over the long term or there is evidence at the receptor of harm or pollution.
Likely	There is a pollution linkage and all the elements are present and in the right place, which means that it is probable that an event will occur. Circumstances are such that an event is not inevitable, but possible in the short term and likely over the long term.
Low Likelihood	There is a pollution linkage and circumstances are possible under which an event could occur. However, it is by no means certain that even over a longer period such event would take place, and is less likely in the shorter term.
Unlikely	There is a pollution linkage but circumstances are such that it is improbable that an event would occur even in the very long term.

In accordance with DoE guidance, the following categorisation of **risk** has been developed.

Classification	Definition
Very High Risk	There is a <i>high probability</i> that <i>severe harm</i> could arise to a designated receptor from an identified hazard at the site without appropriate further action.
High Risk	<i>Harm is likely to arise</i> to a designated receptor from an identified hazard at the site without appropriate further action.
Moderate Risk	<i>It is possible</i> that without appropriate further action <i>harm could arise</i> to a designated receptor. It is relatively <i>unlikely</i> that any such harm would be <i>severe</i> , and if any harm were to occur it is <i>more likely</i> that such harm would be <i>relatively mild</i> .
Low Risk	<i>It is possible</i> that <i>harm could arise</i> to a designated receptor from an identified hazard. It is <i>likely</i> that, at worst, if any harm was realised any effects would be <i>mild</i> .
Very Low Risk	The presence of an identified hazard does not give rise to the potential to cause harm to a designated receptor.

The term 'risk' in this instance refers to the risk that the source, pathway, receptor linkage for a given source of contamination is complete. It does not refer to immediate risk to individuals or features present on the site from potential contaminants and is intended to be used as a tool to assess the necessity of further investigation.

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