Consultation Response from: KC Environmental Health (Pollution & Noise Control)		
2023/91248 - Cherry Tree Surgery, 132, Upper Commercial Street, Batley, WF17 5DH		
Discharge conditions 3 (landscaping), 4 (Phase II Site Investigation Report), 5 (Remediation Strategy), 9 (retaining walls) on previous permission 2021/94474 for erection of single storey extension and formation of additional parking spaces (within a Conservation Area)		
Date Responded: **8th December 2023**	**Responding Officer:** **NH**	**Responding Ref:** **WK/202335214**

Conditions 3 and 9 are outside the remit of Environmental Health.

Condition 5 – Remediation Strategy
Following our response on the 22nd September 2023, we have received a Remedial Specification authored by Groundtech Consulting, dated 10th November 2023 (ref: GRO-22384-4861) in support of discharging Condition 5.

A sequence of remediation activities is outlined for the site, beginning with a series of drill and grout works followed by vegetation clearance and soil strip. Subsequently, the plan involves the removal of made ground, off-site disposal, importation of clean material from off-site sources and the application of a clean cover system in soft-landscaping areas.

Specifically, the clean cover system proposed by Groundtech is the placement of 0.6m of topsoil and subsoil (inclusive of 0.15m of topsoil) underlain by a contamination demarcation barrier. The depth and chemical suitability of the cover system should be validated after placement.

We have read the report and accept the document. We remind the applicant that any imported materials must be characterised as suitable for the intended end-use in accordance with the Yorkshire and Lincolnshire Pollution Advisory Group, Verification for Cover Systems guidance (version 4.1, June 2021).

We recommend that that Condition 5 is discharged.

<u>Recommendations</u>
Condition 5 – Remediation Strategy
We accept the Remedial Specification authored by Groundtech Consulting, dated 10th November 2023 (ref: GRO-22384-4861) and recommend that Condition 5 is discharged.

We remind the applicant that any imported materials must be characterised as suitable for the intended end-use in accordance with the Yorkshire and Lincolnshire Pollution Advisory Group, Verification for Cover Systems guidance (version 4.1, June 2021).