

Consultation Response from: KC Environmental Health (Pollution & Noise Control)		
2023/93796 - Flush Mills, Westgate, Heckmondwike, WF16 0EN		
Erection of industrial building		
Date Responded: 27th March 2024	Responding Officer: NH	Responding Ref: WK/202407211
Contaminated Land Further to our previous response dated 15th February, we have received and reviewed the report titled Phase 1 Environmental Due Diligence Report prepared by Jones Hargreaves (dated February 2024, ref: 24.134/Env V02) in response to our comments. The report includes geotechnical information, which is outside the remit of Environmental Health, this consultation response therefore only relates to the land contamination aspect of the report. Having reviewed the Phase 1 report, we make the following points. The risk assessment relies heavily on third party reporting that is not at the site of interest. Furthermore, there does not appear to be any consideration for the risk from combustible soils. Lastly, there is insufficient information in relation to the concrete hardstanding. Microfractures or deterioration in the concrete structure can potentially allow ground gas ingress. For these reasons, we do not accept the report titled Phase 1 Environmental Due Diligence Report prepared by Jones Hargreaves (dated February 2024, ref: 24.134/Env V02). Nevertheless, we still support the application subject to the necessary conditions be applied. <u>Recommended Conditions</u> NB: These recommendations relate to contaminated land only and should be read in conjunction with the full environmental health recommendations dated 15th February 2024 (Ref: WK/20201970) CLC1 Submission of a Phase 1 Preliminary Risk Assessment Report - Condition Groundworks shall not commence until actual or potential land contamination at the site has been investigated and a Preliminary Risk Assessment (Phase I Desk Study Report) by a suitably competent person has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Reason: To ensure the safe occupation of the site in accordance with Policy LP53 of the Kirklees Local Plan and paragraph nos. 189 and 190 of the National Planning Policy Framework CLC2 Submission of a Phase 2 Intrusive Site Investigation Report - Condition Where further intrusive investigation is recommended in the Preliminary Risk Assessment approved pursuant to condition (CLC1) groundworks (other than those required for a site investigation report) shall not commence until a Phase II Intrusive Site Investigation Report by a suitably competent person has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Reason: To ensure the safe occupation of the site in accordance with Policy LP53 of the Kirklees Local Plan and paragraph nos. 189 and 190 of the National Planning Policy Framework		

CLC3 Submission of Remediation Strategy - Condition

Where site remediation is recommended in the Phase II Intrusive Site Investigation Report approved pursuant to condition (CLC2) further groundworks shall not commence until a Remediation Strategy by a suitably competent person has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Remediation Strategy shall include a timetable for the implementation and completion of the approved remediation measures.

Reason: To ensure the safe occupation of the site in accordance with Policy LP53 of the Kirklees Local Plan and paragraph nos. 189 and 190 of the National Planning Policy Framework

CLC4 Implementation of the Remediation Strategy - Condition

Remediation of the site shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the Remediation Strategy approved pursuant to condition (CLC3). In the event that remediation is unable to proceed in accordance with the approved Remediation Strategy or contamination not previously considered in either the Preliminary Risk Assessment or the Phase II Intrusive Site Investigation Report is identified or encountered on site, all groundworks in the affected area (except for site investigation works) shall cease immediately and the Local Planning Authority shall be notified in writing within 2 working days. Works shall not recommence until proposed revisions to the Remediation Strategy have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Remediation of the site shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved revised Remediation Strategy.

Reason: To ensure the safe occupation of the site in accordance with Policy LP53 of the Kirklees Local Plan and paragraph nos. 189 and 190 of the National Planning Policy Framework

CLC5 Submission of Verification Report - Condition

Following completion of any measures identified in the approved Remediation Strategy or any approved revised Remediation Strategy a Verification Report by a suitably competent person shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority. No part of the site shall be brought into use until such time as the remediation measures have been completed for (that part of) the site in accordance with the approved Remediation Strategy or the approved revised Remediation Strategy and a Verification Report in respect of those remediation measures has been approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure the safe occupation of the site in accordance with Policy LP53 of the Kirklees Local Plan and paragraph nos. 189 and 190 of the National Planning Policy Framework

CLC7 Contaminated land - Footnote

All contamination reports shall be prepared by a suitably competent person, as defined in Annex 2 of the National Planning Policy Framework. Reports must be prepared in accordance with the following guidance:

- *Land Contamination Risk Management (LCRM)*
- *BS 10175:2011+ A2:2017 Investigation of Potentially Contaminated Sites. Code of Practice*
- *Development on Land Affected by Contamination - Technical Guidance for Developers, Landowners & Consultants - (v11.2) June 2020 by the Yorkshire and Lincolnshire Pollution Advisory Group.*



The conditions relate to Planning Control only. Approval under the Building Regulations may also be required, and the applicant should contact their Building Control Provider for further information. Any other necessary consent must be obtained from the appropriate authority. If the applicant commences work without discharging conditions, they will be at risk of enforcement action and invalidating the permission if the planning condition is a pre commencement condition.