

Consultation Response from: KC Environmental Health (Pollution & Noise Control)

2026/91034 University of Huddersfield, Queensgate, Huddersfield, HD1 3DH

Discharge of details reserved by conditions 3, 4, 5, 6 (drainage), 7 (Phase II Site Investigation) on previous permission 2026/90009 for provision of new landscaping scheme on the site of the former faith centre building together with extended delivery area and turning circle and associated works

Responding Date:
23rd April 2026

Responding Officer:
SR

Responding Ref:
WK202611687

Comments

In support of the discharge of condition 7 (Phase II Intrusive Site Investigation Report) a Phase 2 Geo Environmental Assessment by EPS dated THE 1st of April 2026, ref: UK26.7777 has been submitted. The reports include geotechnical information, which is outside the remit of Environmental Health. This consultation response therefore only relates to the land contamination aspect of the report.

Fieldworks were undertaken on the 27th of February 2026 and included the following: Four boreholes to depth 3.5m, strata was confirmed to comprise an initial layer of made ground, overlying superficial deposits of clay, sand and gravel, which in turn is underlain by weathered siltstone of the Pennine Lower Coal Measures. During sample collection a Photoionisation Detector (PID) was used to measure the relative concentrations of vapour associated with soil samples collected from different depths and locations at the site. We are informed that PID monitoring did not identify any concentrations of organic vapours above instrument detection levels despite a slight noticeable odour during borehole/sampling.

The soil sampling results are presented; section 5.1.3 indicates risks to future site users were not exceeded for any contaminant at any location. This is based on the current development proposal of landscaped public open space. No remediation is recommended within the report.

Having reviewed the documents provided we make the following recommendation.

Recommendations

Condition 7

On the basis of the professional judgement of the report author and the evidence and interpretations presented in the Phase 2 Geo Environmental Assessment by EPS dated 1st of April 2026, ref: UK26.7777; Environmental Health have no objection to the discharge of condition 7.