

Consultation Response from: KC Environmental Health (Pollution & Noise Control)		
2026/91164 Busk Farm, 29, Northfield Lane, Highburton, Huddersfield, HD8 0QT		
Erection of extension and alterations including associated works		
Date Responded: 26/06/2026	Responding Officer: KB	Responding Ref: WK/202617805
<p>Contaminated Land We have considered whether the application site is on, or in proximity to, land that may be affected by contamination arising from current or historic land uses and the implications for the proposed residential end use. The site forms part of a former working farm and lies within approximately 200m of a historic landfill site (Netheroyd Hill Tip), which represents a potential off-site source of ground gas.</p> <p>We have reviewed a Coal Mining Risk Assessment Report by Rogers Geotechnical Services (Ref. C3473/23/E/5263.REV1. March 2026) as part of the application. While the submitted report primarily addresses ground stability, it identifies a moderate risk from shallow coal workings and mine gas, which is also a relevant consideration under contaminated land guidance. The potential for mine gas and landfill gas represents a credible pollutant linkage that should be fully assessed for the purposes of land contamination.</p> <p>In the absence of sufficient contaminated land (former working farm) and ground gas information to demonstrate that the site can be made suitable for the proposed residential use, it is recommended that conditions put in place requiring a Phase 1 Preliminary Risk Assessment, with provision for intrusive investigation, remediation and verification where necessary, to ensure the safe occupation of the site.</p> <p>Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCPs) In an application of this nature, it is expected that facilities for charging electric vehicles and other ultra-low emission vehicles are provided in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and <i>Air Quality & Emissions Technical Planning Guidance</i> from the West Yorkshire Low Emissions Strategy Group. An advisory relating to charging points is therefore necessary.</p> <p>Construction Hours The proposed development is near to residential properties. Restricting the hours of construction is appropriate to minimise adverse impacts on the occupiers of nearby properties. For that reason, conditions relating to construction times are required.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATIONS 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</p>		

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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. Where verification has been submitted and approved in stages for different areas of the whole site, a Final Verification Summary Report shall be 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.

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.

EVF1 Electric Vehicle Charging Points – Advisory Footnote

- Approval under the Building Regulations may also be required, and the applicant should contact their Building Control Provider for further information in relation to Approved Document S.
- The electrical supply of the final installation should allow the charging equipment to operate at full rated capacity and the installation must comply with all applicable electrical requirements in force at the time of installation.
- To futureproof the development, we would encourage the applicant to provide these in accordance with the current *Air Quality & Emissions Technical Planning Guidance* from the West Yorkshire Low Emissions Strategy (WYLES) Group

CSC1 Construction Site Working Times - Condition

Noisy construction related activities shall not take place outside the hours of:

07.30 to 18.30 hours Mondays to Fridays

08.00 to 13.00 hours, Saturdays

With no noisy activities on Sundays or Public Holidays.

Reason: To safeguard the amenities of the occupiers of nearby properties in accordance with part 15 of the NPPF and LP52 of the Local Plan.

CSF1 Construction Sites working times – Footnote

Kirklees Council has powers under Section 60 of the Control of Pollution Act 1974 to control noise from construction sites and may serve a notice imposing requirements on the way in which construction works are to be carried out. It has additional powers under Sections 80 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 to prevent statutory nuisance including noise, dust, smoke and artificial light and must serve an abatement notice when it is satisfied that a statutory nuisance exists or is likely to occur or recur. Failure to comply with a notice served using the above-mentioned legislation would be an offence for which the maximum fine on summary conviction is unlimited.