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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Authority

Ground Investigation Services (Southern) Ltd (GIS) has been commissioned by Thomas Homes Ltd to undertake a ground investigation at the following (hereinafter referred to as the) 'site':

#### **Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxfordshire**

### 1.2 Development Proposals

The site is proposed for residential development. The design details and site layout were made available.

### 1.3 Purpose of Investigation

The purpose of the investigation was to establish the general ground conditions and groundwater regime in order to enable design of foundations and establish the potential of the ground to accept surface drainage water. In addition, it was required to assess whether soil contamination was present and comment on how this may impact the development.

### 1.4 Scope of Investigation

The scope comprised the following:

- conduct in-situ permeability tests in trial pits in accordance with BRE Digest DG365 - Soakaway Design
- Sink Windowless Sampling boreholes with insitu sampling and strength tests
- Install groundwater monitoring wells within boreholes
- undertake geotechnical and contamination soil analysis
- compile an interpretive report with recommendations in respect of the proposed development

### 1.5 Service Constraints

The report is subject to, and should be read in conjunction with, the Service Constraints presented as a foreword to the Appendices.

## 2.0 THE SITE

### 2.1 Site Setting

#### 2.1.1 Site Location

The site is located on the western fringes of Clifton Hampden at Ordnance Survey National Grid Reference 454532E,195571N (site centred). The Location Plan is illustrated in Appendix A, Figure 1.

#### 2.1.2 Site Description

The site comprises two individual plots separated by the main Abingdon Road. These have been titled: Northern Plot and Southern Plot for ease of description.

The Northern Plot comprises a rectangular shaped parcel of land which can be sub-divided into two equal sized plots; the northern end is an arable field, generally level and flat across its breadth/length while the southern end consists of part active and abandoned allotments and fallow scrubland, generally flat and level. Site boundaries comprise hedging with a deep drainage ditch forming the northern boundary. There are a number of semi-mature trees within an internal field boundary (east to west) and in isolated clumps in the southern end of the site and along the west and north facing boundaries. These have been classified as ranging from low to high Water Demand<sup>1</sup>

The Southern Plot comprises an irregularly shaped parcel which is predominantly used as a paddock. The land slopes down progressively via a gentle declivity to the south terminating in a steep 3m deep cutting along the southern boundary to floodplain land below.

There are a number of trees within the curtilage of the site and several mature species noted along all of the site boundaries. These have been classified as ranging from low to high Water Demand<sup>1</sup>

#### 2.1.3 Surrounding Land Use

The immediate surrounding area is defined predominantly as residential land use and agricultural land use.

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<sup>1</sup> NHBC Standards Chapter 4.2 Building near trees

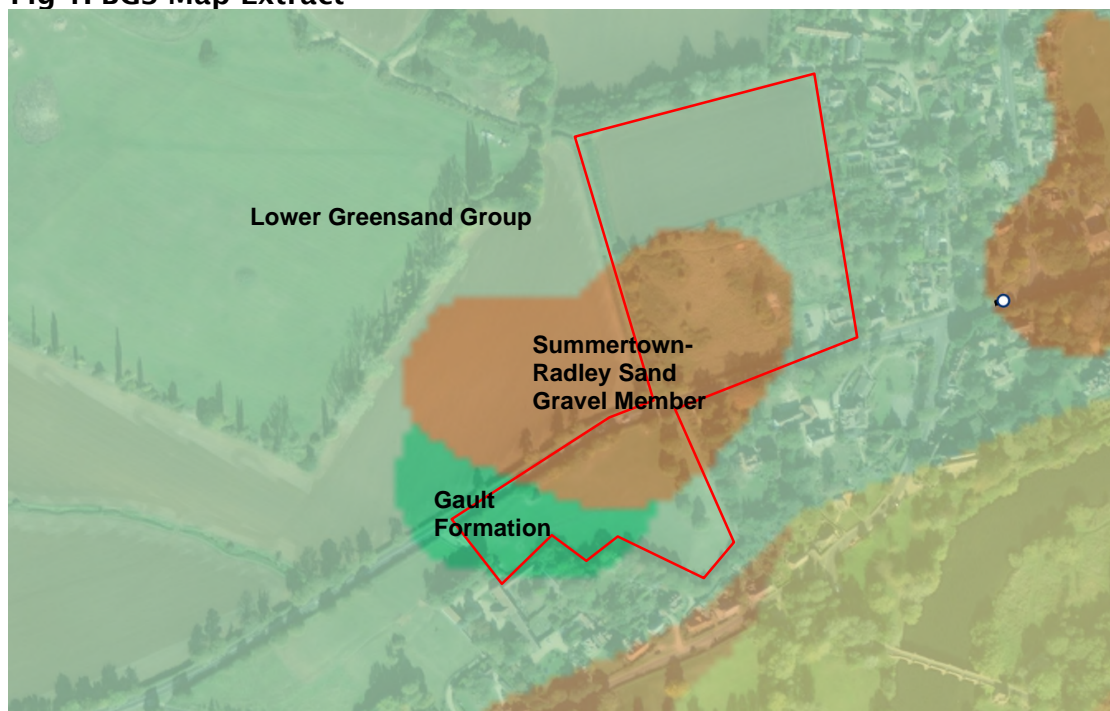
## 2.2 Published Geology

Reference to the British Geological Survey Solid and Drift Map for the area indicates the site is underlain by a range of strata including superficial deposits represented by Summertown Radley Sand and Gravel Member outcropping at the surface over the southeast corner of the Northern Plot and the northeast corner of the Southern Plot. This is underpinned by a small outcrop of Gault Clay in the Southern Plot while a majority of the site is underpinned by the chronologically older Lower Greensand Group.

- The Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member is characterised by sand and gravel.
- The Gault Clay is characterised by clay and mudstone
- The lower Greensand is characterised by sand and sandstone

A map extract from the BGS 'Geology of Britain' is illustrated below:

**Fig 1. BGS Map Extract**



### 2.2.1 Natural Geological Hazards

The three principal geological units have been classified in terms of environmental geological risk in regard to future development. Both the Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member and the Lower Greensand Group strata are classified as very low to negligible risk while the Gault Formation is considered a medium to high risk in terms of shrink-swell potential. This means that the soils are classified as high plasticity and have potential to shrink and swell under adverse conditions. Special precautions are required during and post construction for new build incorporating anti-heave/shrink measures.

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## 2.3 Hydrogeology

### 2.3.1 Groundwater Vulnerability and Soil Classification

The Environment Agency has classified the bedrock soil (Lower Greensand Group) underlying the site as:

- **Secondary A Aquifer:** permeable layers capable of supporting water supplies at a local rather than strategic scale, and in some cases forming an important source of base flow to rivers. These are aquifers formerly classified as minor aquifers.

The Environment Agency has classified the bedrock soil (Gault Formation) underlying the site as:

- **Unproductive Strata:** These are classified as soils with low permeability that have negligible significance for water supply or river base flow. These are aquifers formerly classified as non-aquifers.

The Environment Agency has classified the Superficial Deposits (Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member) underlying the site as:

- **Secondary A Aquifer:** permeable layers capable of supporting water supplies at a local rather than strategic scale, and in some cases forming an important source of base flow to rivers. These are aquifers formerly classified as minor aquifers.

The groundwater vulnerability is classified as HIGH VULNERABILITY which means the shallow soils are able to transmit pollution to groundwater due to high leaching potential and absence of low permeability soils.

The soils are classified as H2 and I1 – Soils of High and Intermediate Leaching Potential which can readily transmit a wide range of pollutants because of their rapid drainage and low attenuation potential.

## 3.0 GROUND INVESTIGATION

### 3.1 Introduction and General Standards

The intrusive geotechnical and geoenvironmental investigation has been conducted in general accordance with procedures outlined in the following:

#### 3.1.1 General Standards

- BS 5930:2015+A1:2020 - *Code of Practice for Ground Investigations*
- Eurocode 7 BS EN 1997-2 (2007) *Geotechnical Design - Part 2 Ground Investigation and Testing*
- BS 1377:Part 9:1990 *Methods of test for Soils for civil engineering purposes In-situ tests*
- BS EN ISO 22476-3: 2005+A1:2011 *Geotechnical Investigation and Testing – Field Testing Standard Penetration Test*
- BS EN ISO 14688-1:2018 *Geotechnical Investigation and Testing – Identification and Classification of Soil Part 1: Identification and Description*
- BS EN ISO 14688-2:2018 *Geotechnical Investigation and Testing – Identification and Classification of Soil Part 1: Principles for a classification*
- BS EN ISO 14689:2018 *Geotechnical Investigation and Testing – Identification and Classification of Rock Part 1: Identification and Description*
- BS 10175: 2011+A2 2017 - *Investigation of potentially contaminated sites. Code of Practice*
- *BRE Digest DG365 Soakaway Design*

### 3.2 Fieldwork

#### 3.2.1 General

The field-work was undertaken on the 22 October and between 14 and 16 December 2020. The weather was cold and wet during the first site visit and cold and dry on the second site visit

#### 3.2.2 Location of Intrusive Test Positions and Preliminary Works

All intrusive test holes were located in advance on plan by GIS the locations of which were designed primarily to give representative information relevant to the proposed development.

A Cable Avoidance Tool was utilised to provide information on existing buried services. No buried services utilities were recorded.

#### 3.2.3 Trial Pits and Infiltration Tests (BRE DG365)

Eight trial pits were excavated by 3T mechanical excavator to depths between 0.75m and 2.20m. These was logged and sampled by the engineer and samples of various soil horizons obtained and placed in airtight plastic bags for later geotechnical laboratory analysis. Trial pit depths in the Northern Plot were constrained by the ingress of shallow groundwater and limited to depths between 0.75m & 1.40m, while in the Southern Plot, ground conditions remained dry and pits depths extended into granular formation.

Each pit was subject to permeability testing in accordance with BRE DG365 provisions. The pits were filled with potable water, which was allowed to drain, while measurements of the falling head were recorded over three days. The results of this work are presented in Appendix A.



### 3.2.4 Boreholes

Six boreholes were advanced to depths of between 2.00 and 3.00m using windowless sampling techniques and utilising bore diameters of 96mm, 101mm and 116mm. Each of the boreholes terminated with very dense strata which was impenetrable using the drilling techniques deployed.

Representative Class 2 undisturbed continuous liner samples were obtained during the course of the boring for identification and laboratory testing. These were split and described by GIS representative on site and samples submitted to the laboratory for description and analysis.

In-situ Standard Penetration Tests (SPTs) were performed at 1.00m depth centres in order to provide an indication of the engineering grade of the soils.

Upon completion of the drilling works, each borehole was converted into groundwater monitoring wells. These comprised 50mm diameter HDPE plastic pipe, each installed to the base of each borehole and capped by lockable steel covers. Details of the installations are presented on respective borehole logs.

All information pertaining to the drilling works above is presented in the Borehole Logs, and with reference to the Notes and Abbreviations Sheet, in Appendix A.

### 3.2.5 California Bearing Ratio (CBR) Tests

Six in-situ California Bearing Ratio (CBR) tests were performed at 0.50m depths using an ELE reaction frame and utilising the weight of the excavator for stabilising kentledge. The results of this work are presented in Appendix A.

### 3.2.6 Geotechnical and Contamination Investigation and Sampling

Soil samples for subsequent laboratory 'classification' testing were taken from the boreholes. The samples were immediately placed in plastic bags and subsequently sealed and labelled. Soil samples were obtained to meet Category A Class 2 as described in BS EN 1997-2:2007 (table 3.1) sufficient for laboratory testing being considered. Sample sizes were also appropriate for the laboratory test being considered (refer BS EN 1997-2:2007 annex L).

Contamination samples were taken from both the trial pits and from hand dug trial pits at depths of between 0.10m and 0.20m.

Soil samples for contamination analysis were placed into laboratory supplied clean and airtight plastic tubs and 250ml amber jars. All of the containers were labelled with the project number, sample location, depth and date of sampling. The samples were stored and transported in a cool box with ice packs to ensure a nominal temperature of 5°C. Soil samples were submitted on 17 December 2020 to the UKAS and MCERTS accredited laboratory of

Element Materials Technology Ltd under full Chain of Custody  
Documentation.

### 3.2.7 Test Locations/Layout

The positions of the boreholes, trial pits/CBRs and contamination sample locations are illustrated in the Borehole/Trial Pit/CBR Location Plan in Appendix A, Figures 4 & 5.

## 3.3 Laboratory Testing

### 3.3.1 Geotechnical Analysis

Samples selected for laboratory testing will be tested in accordance with procedures outlined in BS 1377: 1990 'Methods of Test for Soils for Civil Engineering Purposes' and BS 1377-1:2016 'Methods of Test for Soils for Civil Engineering Purposes - Part 1 General requirements and sample preparation', and BS EN ISO 17892 'Geotechnical Investigation and Testing Laboratory testing of soil' and comprise the following:

The following table illustrates the type of test, methodology and reasoning behind the various test procedures.

**TABLE 1. INITIAL LABORATORY TEST SCHEDULE**

| Test/Type   | Reason for Test  |
|---|--|
| Sulphate (aqueous soluble content and acid soluble content and sulphur) and pH<br>BS 1377:Part 9:1990 <i>Methods of test for Soils for civil engineering purposes In-situ tests</i> | Assess acidity/alkalinity/sulphates of soil to allow design of buried concrete   |
| Natural water content and Atterburg Limits<br>(BS EN ISO 17892-12 : Clauses 5.3 and 5.5 : 2018)   | Determine shrinkage potential/classification properties to assist in design of foundations and appropriate depths  |
| Particle size distribution (Part 2, Method 9.3 dry/wet sieving method/hydrometer) and BS EN ISO 17892-4:2016 Clause 5.2/5.4 (pipette sedimentation)                                 | Particle size expresses the size of the particles comprising a soil in terms of percentages by weight of individual sizes. This analysis is used for classification of sands and gravels and coarser particles. This can be used as an aid in establishing friction angles and density relationship for pile and pile mat design and basement design |

### 3.3.2 Contamination Analysis

The details of the laboratory testing are itemised under Section 5.

## 4.0 GROUND AND GROUNDWATER CONDITIONS

### 4.1 Strata Encountered

The strata encountered during the exploratory works generally confirm the preliminary assessment, expounded in Section 2.2 with some additional capping layers of topsoil and a single isolated exposure of made ground.

The following general interpretation of the descending sequence of strata is made.

### 4.2 Northern Plot

#### 4.2.1 Made ground

Made ground was exposed solely in BH3, located near to the car park, from ground level to 0.40m depth. This consists of either tarmacadam pavement layer over general stone hardcore or brown silty sand and flint/brick gravel.

#### 4.2.2 Topsoil

Topsoil was identified in all other intrusive test positions and comprises brown silty humic sand with occasional fine medium gravel. The deposit extended down to depths ranging from 0.20m to 0.30m.

#### 4.2.3 Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member

The Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member was encountered solely in SA4 extending down to 1.10m depth and found to comprise loose to medium dense light brown silty sand with a little fine medium gravel.

#### 4.2.4 Lower Greensand Formation

Lower Greensand Formation was encountered in each intrusive test position and proven to a maximum depth of 3.00m. The formation consists of a highly uniform, in terms of vertical and lateral extent, light brown to reddish brown gravelly sand, initially loose to medium dense, progressively becoming dense and very dense. Gravel component is predominantly fine slightly medium sized rounded and composed of sandstone.

### 4.3 Southern Plot

#### 4.3.1 Topsoil

Topsoil was identified in all intrusive test positions from ground level to depths between 0.30m and 0.45m and comprises dark brown mottled greyish brown humic clayey sand with occasional fine medium gravel.

#### 4.3.2 Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member

The Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member was encountered solely in BH6 and SA8 extending down to depths of 2.00m and 1.50m respectively.

The formation comprised a laterally variable mixture of loose sand, loose gravelly sand and soft to firm very sandy gravelly clay.

#### 4.3.3 Gault Formation

Gault Formation was encountered in SA5, SA6, BH4 and BH5 extending down to depths between 1.60m and 2.00m overlying the chronologically older Lower Greensand Formation. The formation consists of firm, rare stiff, brownish grey and grey occasionally mottled orange and olive brown intact occasionally friable clay

#### 4.3.4 Lower Greensand Formation

Lower Greensand Formation was encountered in each intrusive test position, apart from SA8, underpinning the Gault Formation and topsoil/Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member at depths ranging from 0.40m (SA7) and 2.10m (BH4) proven to a maximum depth of 3.00m. The formation consists of a highly uniform, in terms of vertical and lateral extent, light brown to reddish brown gravelly sand, initially medium dense, becoming dense and very dense. Gravel component is predominantly fine, medium rare coarse sized rounded and angular and composed of sandstone

## 4.2 Groundwater

Groundwater was encountered in each of the intrusive test positions in the Northern Plot but was absent during the initial ground investigation in the Southern Plot but developed as gradually developed as standing water. The details of the groundwater monitoring programme are itemised in the following table:

**TABLE 2: GROUNDWATER STRIKE AND STANDING LEVELS**

| Test position | Stratum# | Strike (m bgl) | 20/30 minutes standing (m bgl) | Date     | Standing level (m bgl) |
|---------------|----------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------|------------------------|
| BH1           | LG       | 0.80           | 0.70                           | 22.10.20 |                        |
| BH1           |          |                |                                | 19.11.20 | 0.62 (in well)         |
| BH1           |          |                |                                | 17.12.20 | 0.60 (in well)         |
| BH1           |          |                |                                | 15.01.20 | 0.40 (in well)         |
| BH1           |          |                |                                | 15.02.20 | 0.24 (in well)         |
| BH2           | LG       | 1.32           | 1.17                           | 22.10.20 |                        |
| BH2           |          |                |                                | 19.11.20 | 0.91 (in well)         |
| BH2           |          |                |                                | 17.12.20 | 0.70 (in well)         |
| BH2           |          |                |                                | 15.01.20 | 0.47 (in well)         |
| BH2           |          |                |                                | 15.02.20 | 0.25 (in well)         |
| BH3           | LG       | 1.57           | 1.42                           | 22.10.20 |                        |
| BH3           |          |                |                                | 19.11.20 | 1.34 (in well)         |
| BH3           |          |                |                                | 17.12.20 | 1.26 (in well)         |
| BH3           |          |                |                                | 15.01.20 | 0.90 (in well)         |
| BH3           |          |                |                                | 15.02.20 | 0.62 (in well)         |
| BH4           |          | Dry (3.00m)    | dry                            | 22.10.20 |                        |
| BH4           |          |                |                                | 19.11.20 | Dry (in well)          |
| BH4           |          |                |                                | 17.12.20 | Dry (in well)          |
| BH4           |          |                |                                | 15.01.20 | 2.72 (in well)         |
| BH4           |          |                |                                | 15.02.20 | 1.81 (in well)         |
| BH5           |          | Dry (3.00m)    | dry                            | 22.10.20 |                        |
| BH5           |          |                |                                | 19.11.20 | Dry (in well)          |
| BH5           |          |                |                                | 17.12.20 | 1.98 (in well)         |
| BH5           |          |                |                                | 15.01.20 | 1.95 (in well)         |
| BH5           |          |                |                                | 15.02.20 | 1.21 (in well)         |
| BH6           |          | Dry (3.00m)    | dry                            | 22.10.20 |                        |
| BH6           |          |                |                                | 19.11.20 | Dry (in well)          |
| BH6           |          |                |                                | 17.12.20 | Dry (in well)          |
| BH6           |          |                |                                | 15.01.20 | Dry (in well)          |
| BH6           |          |                |                                | 15.02.20 | 1.77 (in well)         |
| SA1           | LG       | 0.75           | 0.75                           | 14.12.20 | 0.75                   |
| SA2           | LG       | 0.70           | 0.70                           | 14.12.20 | 0.70                   |
| SA3           | LG       | 0.90           | 0.90                           | 14.12.20 | 0.90                   |
| SA4           | SRSGM/LG | 1.20           | 1.20                           | 14.12.20 |                        |
|               |          |                |                                | 17.12.20 | 0.95                   |
| SA5           | LG/GC    | Dry (2.20)     | dry                            | 14.12.20 | dry                    |
| SA6           | LG/GC    | Dry (2.00)     | dry                            | 14.12.20 | dry                    |
| SA7           | LG       | Dry (1.30)     | dry                            | 14.12.20 | dry                    |
| SA8           | SRSGM    | Dry (2.00)     | dry                            | 14.12.20 | dry                    |

# SRSGM - Summertown-Radley Sand Gravel Member  
GC - Gault Clay  
LG - Lower Greensand Formation

Groundwater was shallow in the Northern Plot recorded between 0.70m and 1.57m depths and this continued to rise throughout the period of groundwater monitoring to present day (15.02.21) with levels ranging between 0.24m and 0.62m. It was particularly shallow in the northern half of the Northern Plot, slightly deeper in the south. Comparison of standing groundwater depths to heights above Ordnance data (AOD) suggest water levels are very level (between 54.21m-54.65m) with no particular deterministic gradient. Water levels continued to rise from 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> monitoring period with a maximum rise of 0.72m recorded in BH3.

In contrast groundwater was generally absent in the Southern Plot with no groundwater strikes in any of the intrusive test positions. Standing groundwater developed slowly during the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> monitoring periods with peak (shallowest) water levels recorded at 1.21m in BH5 and deepest water level of 1.81m in BH4. Water levels rose very slowly over the period of monitoring with a maximum rise of 1.19m in BH4.

### 4.3 Site Test Results

#### 4.3.1 Permeability Tests in Trial Pits

The results of the permeability tests undertaken within the Lower Greensand Formation, Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member and Gault Clay indicate generally poor drainage characteristics with the following soil infiltration rates:

SA1 - 0.75m depth -  $1.76 \times 10^{-6}$  m/sec  
SA2 - 0.75m depth -  $1.78 \times 10^{-6}$  m/sec  
SA3 - 1.00m depth -  $1.30 \times 10^{-6}$  m/sec  
SA4 - 1.40m depth -  $1.11 \times 10^{-5}$  m/sec  
SA5 - 2.20m depth - N/a insufficient data  
SA6 - 2.00m depth -  $1.07 \times 10^{-6}$  m/sec  
SA7 - 1.30m depth -  $3.34 \times 10^{-6}$  m/sec  
SA8 - 2.00m depth - N/a insufficient data

Soil Infiltration rates were based almost entirely on a single set of test results apart from SA7 where two tests were completed. Tests were not completed to full BRE365 requirements (3 repeat tests) due to the very slow fall in water levels.

The test results are illustrated in Appendix A.

#### 4.3.2 California Bearing Ratio (CBR) Tests

Six insitu CBR tests were conducted within natural undisturbed sub-grade at a uniform depth of 0.50m. The results reveal bearing values of 1%, 1%, 1%, 2%, 2% and 2% for subgrade described as dark brown/brown silty gravelly sand (CBR A, CBR B & CBR C) and brown sandy slightly gravelly and gravelly clay (CBR D, CBR E and CBR F).

#### 4.4 Laboratory Testing Schedule/Results - Geotechnical

The test schedule comprises the following:

**TABLE 3: ITEMISED SCHEDULE OF GEOTECHNICAL TESTS**

| Test/Type                                  | Soil Type                                | Number of Samples Tested | Sample Location                | Sample Depths (m)            |
|--|--|--------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Natural Water Content and Atterburg Limits | Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member | 4                        | BH6<br>CBR D<br>CBR E<br>CBR F | 1.00<br>0.50<br>0.50<br>0.50 |
|  | Gault Formation                          | 4                        | BH4<br>BH5                     | 1.00 & 2.00<br>0.50 & 1.00   |
|  | Lower Greensand Formation                | 3                        | CBR A<br>CBR B<br>CBR C        | 0.50<br>0.50<br>0.50         |
| Particle Size Distribution                 | Lower Greensand Formation                | 4                        | BH1<br>BH2<br>BH3<br>BH6       | 1.00<br>2.00<br>1.00<br>2.00 |
| pH, Sulphate and Sulphur                   | Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member | 1                        | BH6                            | 1.00                         |
|  | Lower Greensand Formation                | 4                        | BH1<br>BH2<br>BH3<br>BH5       | 1.00<br>0.50<br>1.00<br>2.00 |
|  | Gault Formation                          | 2                        | BH4<br>BH5                     | 1.00<br>0.50                 |

The results of the geotechnical testing are tabulated in Appendix B and discussed in more detail as follows:

##### 4.4.1 Atterburg Limits

- Superficial Deposits

Testing on samples of cohesive type material indicate the soil is classified as inorganic clay of low and medium plasticity and Non-shrinkage and Low Shrinkage potential.

- Gault Formation

Testing of cohesive samples of Gault Formation indicate the soil is classified as inorganic clay of high and very high plasticity and medium and high shrinkage potential.

- Lower Greensand Formation

Testing on a single sample of cohesive type material indicate the soil is classified as inorganic clay of low plasticity and Non- Shrinkage potential. All other samples of the Lower Greensand Formation are considered non-plastic.



All of the samples, apart from BH4 2.00m depth which was desiccated\*, were normally hydrated with natural moisture content values in equilibrium condition.

#### 4.4.2 Chemical Tests (pH/SO<sub>4</sub>)

The results indicate neutral and alkaline pH conditions while water soluble and acid soluble sulphate and sulphur concentrations were universally low in all samples.

#### 4.4.3 Particle Size Distribution

The four samples are broadly similar in composition, classified as silty very gravelly sand, (silty sand and gravel in BH1). The gravel constituent is fine medium rare coarse sandstone/flint. The grading classification could not be determined as the D<sub>10</sub> value could not be calculated. However, the angle of slope of the particle size curve suggests the samples are Narrow-Graded and Gap-graded.

### 4.5 Contamination Laboratory Analysis

The testing schedule is itemised under Section 5.0 overleaf.

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\* Desiccation defined in BRE Digest 412 Desiccation in clay soils (NMC less than 40% of LL )

## 5.0 CONTAMINATION ANALYSIS

### 5.1 Guidelines and Assessment Criteria

#### 5.1.1 Appropriate Guidance (Soils)

The following guidance documents have been referred to:

- Environment Agency – Contaminated Land Exposure (CLEA) model (software v1.06) and handbook
- Environment Agency – Science Report SC050021/SR3: Updated Technical background to the CLEA Model and Science Report SC0021/SR2: Human Health toxicological assessment of contaminants in soil
- LQM/CIEH Suitable 4 Use Levels
- Various Soil Guidance Values (SGV) reports
- WS Atkins ATRISK<sup>soil</sup> Soil Screening Values (SSVs)
- BS 3882:2015 Specification for Topsoil
- Part IIA Category 4 Screening Levels (C4SL)

#### 5.1.2 Selection of Appropriate Tier 1 Screening Values

In the UK there are currently no statutory limits by which to measure soil contamination. In order to assess whether soil beneath a site is contaminated, the results of the chemical analysis have to be compared with suitable guidelines.

In March 2009 DEFRA (Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) and the Environment Agency released the revised CLEA (Contaminated Land Exposure Assessment) model and the first tranche of revised Soil Guideline Values (SGV) covering 8 contaminants: Selenium, Benzene, Ethylbenzene, Toluene, Xylene, Mercury, Arsenic and Nickel. In October 2009 further SGVs for dioxins, furans, and dioxin-like PCBs were released.

Generally there will be SGVs for each contaminant, for several different uses of land. At the moment the land uses are limited to residential (with and without plant uptake), allotments and commercial.

In the absence of currently published SGV values for other common occurring contaminants and for other land uses not covered by the DEFRA, W S Atkins have derived ATRISK<sup>soil</sup> Soil Screening Values (SSVs) based on the 2009 guidance (SC050021/SR3 (the CLEA report) and SC050021/SR2) (the Tox report) for commercial/industrial/residential/open spaces and parks land uses. CLEA guidance is predicated on Soil Organic Matter (SOM) content of 6%. The SSVs produced by WS Atkins are similarly based on 6% SOM but also have SSVs for 1% SOM for a range of land uses.

Where neither of the aforementioned publications publish data for the various contaminants reference is made to the *LQM/CIEH Suitable 4 Use levels* published by CIEH and LQM (2015).

The aim of this report was to derive Soil Assessment Criteria (SAC) for an extended range of 89 substances. For each substance S4ULs have been derived for a range of generic land uses and soil organic matter (% SOM) contents. The assessment Criteria have been updated in line with developments in UK human health risk assessments since 2009, in particular the additional land uses and exposure assumptions presented in DEFRA's recent C4SL guidance. However, the S4ULs are all based on health criteria that represent minimum or tolerable levels of risks to health as described in the EA SR2 guidance, ensuring that the resulting assessment criteria are 'Suitable for use' under local authority planning.

For each substance S4ULs have been derived for six generic land uses (including two public open space land uses defined in C4SL guidance and a range of Soil Organic Matter (SOM) content for organic substances.

In addition reference has also been made to the recently introduced Part IIA Category 4 Screening Levels (C4SL) principally as an assessment tool for Lead in the soil as the SSV (WS Atkins) for lead has been withdrawn following recent appraisal of the toxicological parameters.

In the following sections, all Tier 1 assessment criteria have been collectively referred to as 'Site Acceptance Criteria' (SAC).

#### 5.1.3 Contamination Assessment Rationale

It is understood that the site is proposed as residential development. Our assessment of the contamination test results has been undertaken based on the published soil guidance values for *Residential Land Use with homegrown produce*.

#### 5.1.4 Site-Specific Considerations

The following site-specific considerations have been considered with respect to the soils at the site (as appropriate).

- Soil pH
- Soil type
- Soil Organic Matter (SOM) content

The SOM content and soil type are used to provide an assessment of the applicability of the Tier 1 SAC adopted.

## 5.2 Statistical Considerations

### 5.2.1 Application of Limit of Detection

Analytical techniques operate within a limit of detection (LOD). The LOD equates to a concentration below which the technique cannot detect the presence of a chemical. Accepted UK best practice is that where a concentration of a chemical is below the LOD of the technique, the LOD is adopted as the chemical concentration. It is necessary to adopt this approach in order to undertake a robust statistical analysis of the entire data set. Please note that SACs have only been adopted for determinants, which are present at concentrations in excess of the LOD on at least one occasion, or where key indicator compound assessment is required.

### 5.2.2 Assessment of Averaging Areas following Site Investigation Works

For the purposes of investigation and assessment a site can be divided into zones based on the historical usages or proposed end use and these zones can be further divided into averaging areas. These averaging areas can be used to assess different soil types revealed or different potential exposure pathways etc for the purposes of accurately modelling site conditions. Each averaging area can be considered independently of each other for human health exposure assessment. Based on the proposed end use of the site and the findings of the site investigation it is proposed that a single zone split into one averaging areas is appropriate for the site and defined as the **General Site Area** - topsoil.

### 5.2.3 Methodology

The chemical analysis results have been subjected to statistical analysis as detailed in the guidance produced by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH) (CIEH/CL:AIRE, May 2008). For details of the statistical tests and hypotheses, reference should be made to the aforementioned publication. However, a brief overview is presented below: In the first instance, a Null Hypothesis ( $H_0$ ) and Alternative Hypothesis ( $H_1$ ) are defined as below, in this case based on the Planning Scenario:

$H_0$   $\mu \geq C_c$  i.e. the true mean concentration ( $\mu$ ) is equal to or greater than the critical concentration ( $C_c$ ).

$H_1$   $\mu \leq C_c$  i.e. the true mean concentration ( $\mu$ ) is less than the critical concentration ( $C_c$ ).

The data is firstly split into averaging areas based on historic site uses etc. For this site the data has been designated as made ground concentrations and the averaging area is designated as the site. An outlier test (Grubb's Test) is undertaken to determine whether the soil concentrations for each determinant and averaging area belong to the same or are part of a separate population i.e. represent outliers or 'hot spots'.

A normality test is then undertaken to determine if the data is normally distributed, or otherwise. A significance test (dependent upon the distribution of the data) is then applied to the data to test  $H_0$  and  $H_1$ , and determine the associated level of evidence against  $H_0$ . The one sample t-test is undertaken for Normal data and the Chebychev test for Non-normal data. The former derives a single value for the level of evidence against  $H_0$ , whereas the latter derives upper and lower bound values. The ESI Ltd Contaminated Land Statistical Calculator has been used to undertake the aforementioned statistical assessments.

### 5.3 Sampling Strategy

#### 5.3.1 Soils

The ground conditions encountered revealed the presence of two identifiable types of material relevant to the geoenvironmental investigation: topsoil and underlying natural strata.

It was decided on the basis of land usage and visual and olfactory evidence to increase the sample density within the Northern Plot. This is because evidence from potential contaminative activity, including allotment gardens, localised bonfires and agricultural arable land were recorded solely to this land. The Southern Plot in contrast, is a paddock used for grazing purposes, hence the environmental risk here is lower.

Selective Soil samples were subjected to chemical analysis for a suite of contaminants deemed appropriate on the Land Use Assessment as itemised in Table 4. The testing schedule is as follows:

**TABLE 4: ITEMISED SCHEDULE OF CONTAMINATION TESTS (solid form)**

| Test  | Type/Medium<br>Soil/water | Number<br>of<br>Samples<br>Tested | Sample<br>Identifier  | Sample Depths<br>(m)   |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| Arsenic, Cadmium, Hexavalent Chromium, Trivalent (total) Chromium, Lead, Mercury, Nickel, Selenium, Beryllium, Copper, Vanadium, Boron, Zinc, pH, Organic Matter Content and speciated Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) | Topsoil                   | 18                                | Sample A<br>Sample B<br>Sample C<br>Sample D<br>Sample E<br>Sample F<br>Sample G<br>Sample H<br>Sample J<br>Sample K<br>Sample L<br>Sample M<br>Sample N<br>SA2<br>SA5<br>SA6<br>SA7<br>SA8 | 0.10<br>0.10<br>0.20<br>0.10<br>0.15<br>0.10<br>0.15<br>0.10<br>0.10<br>0.10<br>0.15<br>0.10<br>0.15<br>0.10<br>0.15<br>0.10<br>0.20<br>0.10<br>0.10 |
| Pesticide and herbicides  | Topsoil                   | 2                                 | Sample C<br>Sample N  | 0.20<br>0.15   |

## 5.4 Site Specific Consideration

- Topsoil

Table 5 summarises the site-specific considerations applicable to the topsoil at the site:

| Table 5 – SUMMARY OF TOPSOIL SITE SPECIFIC CONSIDERATIONS |            |                    |
|---|------------|--------------------|
| Parameter   | Value      | Comments           |
| pH  | 7.59       | Mean value         |
| Soil Type   | Silty loam | Visual observation |
| Soil Organic Matter                                       | 4.74%      | Mean value         |

A soil organic matter of 2.5% has been used in the analysis and the Tier 1 SAC is based on the mean average of 4.73% calculated from the eighteen soil samples.

## 5.5 Contamination Test Results

### 5.5.1 Outliers

Outliers identified above the respective critical concentrations are summarised in Table 6 below. Those below the critical concentrations are not deemed to warrant any further consideration.

**TABLE 6. OUTLIERS**

| Determinant | units | Critical Concentration (Cc) | Outlier Location | Outlier Concentration |
|-------------|-------|-----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Lead        | Mg/kg | 200                         | Sample E         | 226                   |

In consideration of the outlier value and the sampling depths, positions etc it is considered that the outlier value presented above for lead should not be removed from evaluation of the true mean concentration. This is because the outlier value was recorded within soil considered similar in composition to other test samples.

### 5.5.2 Significance Tests

The outcome of the significance tests are summarised in the following tables together with respective critical concentrations, upper confidence limits and evidence levels. Where concentrations for a particular determinant do not exceed the critical concentration a significance test of the data has not been undertaken. The full set of results and the ESI statistical test data are presented in Appendix B - Laboratory Test Results.

TABLE 7. SIGNIFICANCE TESTS: TOPSOIL

| Determinant  | No. of samples tested | Critical Concentration (Cc) SSVs/GACs | Published Reference    | Measured Range | No. of samples exceeding Tier 1 SAC | Sample Mean, (x) | Upper Confidence Limit (of true mean concentration $\mu$ ) | Evidence Level (%) | Outcome    | Reject Null Hypothesis (Ho) YES/NO |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|--|--------------------|------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Metals, Semi- Metals and Non-Metals</b>   |                       |                                       |                        |                |                                     |                  |  |                    |            |                                    |
| Arsenic  | 18                    | 37                                    | S4ULs                  | 30.7 - 42.6    | 9                                   | 36.7             | 38.2   | 62                 | $\mu > Cc$ | NO                                 |
| Cadmium  | 18                    | 11                                    | S4ULs                  | <0.1           | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Chromium III (total)   | 18                    | 910                                   | S4ULs                  | 83 - 116.4     | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Chromium (VI)  | 18                    | 6                                     | S4ULs                  | <0.3           | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Copper   | 18                    | 2400                                  | S4ULs                  | 14 - 50        | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Lead   | 18                    | 200                                   | C4SLs                  | 20 - 226       | 1                                   | 45.1             | 117.7  | 99                 | $\mu < Cc$ | YES                                |
| Inorganic Mercury  | 18                    | 40                                    | S4ULs                  | <0.1 - 0.2     | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Nickel   | 18                    | 180                                   | S4ULs                  | 22.7 - 42.9    | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Zinc   | 18                    | 3700                                  | S4ULs                  | 82 - 199       | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Boron (Water soluble)  | 18                    | 290                                   | S4ULs                  | 1.4 - 3.5      | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Selenium   | 18                    | 250                                   | S4ULs                  | 1 - 3          | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Vanadium   | 18                    | 410                                   | S4ULs                  | 93 - 187       | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Beryllium  | 18                    | 60.3                                  | SSV's                  | 1.7 - 2.6      | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| <b>Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons</b>  |                       |                                       |                        |                |                                     |                  |  |                    |            |                                    |
| Naphthalene  | 18                    | 5.6                                   | S4ULs                  | <0.04          | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Acenaphthylene   | 18                    | 420                                   | S4ULs                  | <0.03          | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Acenaphthene   | 18                    | 510                                   | S4ULs                  | <0.05          | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Fluorene   | 18                    | 400                                   | S4ULs                  | <0.04          | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Phenanthrene   | 18                    | 220                                   | S4ULs                  | <0.03 - 0.18   | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Anthracene   | 18                    | 5400                                  | S4ULs                  | <0.04          | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Fluoranthene   | 18                    | 560                                   | S4ULs                  | <0.05 - 0.7    | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Pyrene   | 18                    | 1200                                  | S4ULs                  | <0.03 - 0.64   | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Benzo(a)anthracene   | 18                    | 11                                    | S4ULs                  | <0.06 - 0.47   | 0                                   | 4.5              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Chrysene   | 18                    | 22                                    | S4ULs                  | <0.02 - 0.49   | 0                                   | 4.53             | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene   | 18                    | 3.3                                   | S4ULs                  | <0.05 - 0.65   | 0                                   | 6.91             | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene   | 18                    | 93                                    | S4ULs                  | <0.02 - 0.25   | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Benzo(a)pyrene   | 18                    | 2.7                                   | S4ULs                  | <0.04 - 0.38   | 0                                   | 6.1              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene   | 18                    | 36                                    | S4ULs                  | <0.05 - 0.33   | 0                                   | 4.6              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene  | 18                    | 0.28                                  | S4ULs                  | <0.04 - 0.06   | 0                                   | 1.33             | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Benzo(g,h,i)perylene   | 18                    | 340                                   | S4ULs                  | <0.04 - 0.33   | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| <b>Pesticides/Herbicides</b>   |                       |                                       |                        |                |                                     |                  |  |                    |            |                                    |
| Acid Herbicides  | 2                     | Above detection                       | Professional judgement | <0.1           | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Organochlorine Pesticides  | 2                     | Above detection                       | Professional judgement | <0.01          | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| Organophosphorus Pesticides  | 2                     | Above detection                       | Professional judgement | <0.01          | 0                                   | N/A              | N/A  | N/A                | N/A        | N/A                                |
| <b>Key</b><br><i>All measurements in mg/kg unless otherwise stated</i><br>Note: Null hypothesis (H <sub>0</sub> ): the level of contamination is the same as, or higher than, the critical concentration<br>SSVs - Soil Screening values for 1% SOM Residential with plant uptake<br>S4ULs - Soils screening values for 2.5% SOM Residential with homegrown produce<br>C4SL Part IIA Category 4 Screening Levels (C4SL)<br>#LQM/CIEH S4ULs |                       |                                       |                        |                |                                     |                  |  |                    |            |                                    |

## 5.6 Discussion of Test Results

### 5.6.1 Assessment of Test Results (Human Risk)

The above assessments of samples of topsoil have revealed that all determinants assessed were found to be present at concentrations below the UCL Tier 1 SAC except for arsenic which exceeded the Tier 1 SAC in nine samples and lead which exceeded the Tier 1 SAC in a single sample.

The statistical analysis indicates that the Null Hypothesis can be rejected in favour of the Alternative Hypothesis for all the metal and organic determinants with the exception of arsenic and lead i.e. there is sufficient evidence that the true mean for each of the other metal and organic determinants is less than the relevant critical concentrations.

#### Lead

Lead exceeded the relevant Tier 1 SAC of 200mg/kg in a single sample (Sample E) with a value of 230mg/kg. The data were non-normal distributed and the Chebychev Test for non-normal data was undertaken on the results. A 99% upper confidence limit of 117.7mg/kg was established for the site which does not exceed the Tier 1 SAC of 200mg/kg.

Therefore the null hypothesis for arsenic can be rejected in favour of the alternative hypothesis, i.e. there is sufficient evidence that the true sample mean for lead is equal to or less than the critical concentration.

#### Arsenic

Arsenic exceeded the relevant Tier 1 SAC of 37mg/kg in nine samples with values ranging between 38mg/kg and 42mg/kg.

The data were normal distributed and the One-Sample T Test for normal data was undertaken on the results. A 62% upper confidence limit of 38.2mg/kg was established for the site which exceeds the Tier 1 SAC of 37mg/kg.

Therefore the null hypothesis for arsenic cannot be rejected in favour of the alternative hypothesis, i.e. there is sufficient evidence that the true sample mean for arsenic is equal to or greater than the critical concentration.

### 5.6.2 Assessment of Test Results (Vegetation)

In order to assess the risk posed to vegetation on site from potentially phytotoxic contaminants, the concentrations of arsenic, chromium, copper, zinc, boron and nickel were compared against values given in BS 3882:2015 '*Specification for Topsoil*', the ICRC Guidance Note 70/90 and for values not stated in these publications reference has been made to ICRC 59/83 for boron and the Dutch ecotoxicological intervention value for total chromium (trivalent).

Based on the pH values the mean average of which is 7.6pH, the concentrations of copper, zinc, nickel, arsenic, boron and chromium were compared against the appropriate guidelines of 200mg/kg, 300mg/kg, 110mg/kg, 250mg/kg, 7mg/kg, and 230mg/kg respectively.



None of the determinants recorded by the chemical analysis were found to exceed the adopted phytotoxic screening values. Therefore, the existing ground conditions does not pose a risk to potential phytotoxic receptors.

## 5.7 Contamination Conclusions

The site investigation has revealed a potential risk to humans from contact with arsenic contamination recorded within topsoil. This contamination will pose a risk to human health through exposure pathways including skin contact, ingestion (soil pica - children particularly) of soil particles and inhalation of dust particles.

### 5.2.1 Non-Interventionist Approach

The results of the contamination analysis indicate most contaminant levels are below their respective UCL Tier 1 SAC except for arsenic which was marginally elevated in topsoil. The origin of the arsenic is thought to be derived from the weathering process of the bedrock soils which contain slightly higher concentrations of naturally occurring arsenic. The site is underlain by a geological bedrock documented with elevated levels of arsenic, which can degrade and weather producing high concentrations of arsenic which become incorporated into surface soils.

There was no evidence of any contaminative uses or anthropogenic practices that relate to the use of the site both in present or historical context that may explain the abnormally high levels of arsenic, therefore the high levels of arsenic can be attributed to the bedrock soil.

Reference to the EA *UK Soil and Herbage Pollutant Survey* June 2007 cite ambient levels of arsenic in the ground in the UK as ranging from 0.5 - 143mg/kg. Reference to the publication.

Reference to the publication by the British Geological Survey *Normal background concentrations (NBCs) of contaminants in English soils* states that the normal background concentrations for arsenic within areas associated with Lower Greensand Formation or downstream of this lithology may exceed 25mg/kg.

To illustrate this point, GIS have undertaken numerous environmental surveys on neighbouring land (west) within topsoil formation over a number of years between 2014 and 2020. The work undertaken for UKAEA was limited to samples of topsoil formation at depths between GL and 0.30m which superposed both superficial deposits and Lower Greensand Formation (directly and indirectly). These surveys revealed upper confidence limits of 37.54mg/kg based on seventeen samples recorded in 2014 and 39.5mg/kg based on twenty-two samples recorded in 2020. A copy of these data will be made available with the clients (UKAEA) consent.

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On the basis that the site lies within an extensive geographic area that is underlain by bedrock soils that contain naturally occurring metals (arsenic inter-alia) and for the reasons elaborated in the foregoing sections GIS consider that remediation will not be necessary as its effectiveness cannot be attested. This is because neighbouring contiguous land is similarly affected and in order to prevent migration to the site via various pathways, including: air, surface runoff and spillage etc, extreme measures such as solid masonry walls and other containment structures would have to be erected around the site to be considered 100% effective.

We advise that the Environmental Protection Officer for the local authority be contacted for their input in regards to their general approach to this issue.

## 6.0 GEOTECHNICAL ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### 6.1 Proposed Development

The site is proposed for residential development incorporating a number of detached and terraced houses and a new surgery building and new access roads and car parking bays<sup>2</sup>.

It is estimated that unfactored loads for perimeter walls for two-storey structures will be in the order of 50kN/m (suspended concrete floors).

### 6.2 Building Regulations

Current Approved Document A of the building Regulations references Eurocodes and their UK National Annexes as practical guidance in meeting part A requirements. Approved document A advises there may be alternative ways of achieving compliance with requirements where it can be demonstrated that the use of withdrawn standards no longer maintained by the British Standards Institution continues to meet Part A requirements.

This chapter also provides building foundation design parameters ('Traditional Methods') which relate (in part) to withdrawn British Standards as we understand that the development will likely follow such "traditional" method of design and construction. It is for the foundation designer to select the design methodology and demonstrate compliance with part A requirements. Should it be required GIS can provide a foundation strategy for the proposed development and geotechnical design parameters to comply with Eurocode 7 (BS EN 1997-1:2004 '*Geotechnical Design - part 1 General Rules*' and the corresponding UK National Annex).

### 6.3 Geotechnical Assessment

The site comprises a thin capping of topsoil and a single exposure of made ground superposing outcrops of Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member, Gault Formation and Lower Greensand Formation. Typically, both the northern and southern plots are underpinned by the Chronologically older Lower Greensand Formation with a thin capping layer of Gault Formation exposed solely within a small area of the Southern Plot, while the Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member outcrops in the northern end of the Southern Plot and in the southern end of the Northern Plot. This mirrors the BGS map data outlined in Section 2.2.

The Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member comprises a composite layer (0.80-1.70m thick) of loose to medium dense sand and gravel and firm to stiff clay.

The Gault Formation forms a capping layer (1.25-1.80m thick) of soft to firm, firm to stiff brown and grey clay of high and very high plasticity and high shrinkage potential

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<sup>2</sup> Change in development as illustrated in Fig 2 and Fig 3 (Proposed Development Plan) as supplied by Thomas Homes via email dated 09.06.22 (ref drawing reference 191 12.003 dated June 2020)

The Lower Greensand Formation consists of a highly uniform orange brown to brown silty gravelly sand, medium dense to dense becoming very dense with increasing depth. It is classified as low to Non shrinkage potential.

Groundwater was encountered in each test position in the Northern Plot at relatively shallow depth rising progressively close to ground level at the last monitoring visit (15.02.21). Groundwater developed more slowly and at greater depth in the Southern Plot with levels between 1.21m and 1.81m (15.02.21)

Infiltration test data demonstrate generally low permeability of the various soil strata.

CBR test data reveal low CBR values in the range 1% to 2%.

Chemical test data indicates alkaline pH values and negligible sulphate/sulphur concentrations.

The majority of the soils in the Northern Plot are classified as either low shrinkage potential or non-shrinkage potential, while the Gault Formation and cohesive layers of the Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member in the Southern Plot are classified as both low, medium and high shrinkage potential. Some desiccation of the Gault Formation in BH4 was recorded.

#### 6.4 Geotechnical Hazards

A summary of commonly occurring geotechnical hazards is given in Table 8 together with an assessment of whether the site may be affected by each of the stated hazards

**TABLE 8. Summary of Potential Hazards that may affect site**

| Hazard Category                           | Hazard Status on Investigation Findings   | Engineering Considerations  |
|---|---|---|
| Shrinkable Clay Soils                     | Shrinkable soils (Low to High shrinkage potential) predominantly in Southern Plot mainly identified as Gault Formation with some isolated exposures of clay with the Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member | Design to NHBC Standards Chapter 4 – Building near trees-use worst case scenario for design purposes          |
| High groundwater table                    | In general groundwater in the northern Plot is very shallow (near ground level) particularly in the north   | Will affect permanent works (Foundations and other buried substructures) and temporary works                  |
| Soil permeability                         | Very low soil infiltration rates and shallow groundwater will limit scope for surface water drainage  | Consider alternative solutions to conventional drainage systems   |
| Waterlogged ground and localised flooding | Local flooding (pools and water logged ground) identified in parts of Southern Plot   | Consider drainage solutions to remove surface water flooding in short and long term (Permanent and temporary) |

## 6.5 Site Preparation and Excavation

The site investigation did not reveal any unusual buried structures (tanks drains etc) that may impede construction. There will be site trafficability issues particularly in winter and spring months on slopes and lower ground where water-logging of shallow subsoils may hinder contractors plant vehicular movements. Temporary or permanent hardstanding surfaces for both vehicular parking and movements across the site should be installed prior to site works.

## 6.6 Foundation Design

Assessment of the foundation options relevant to the proposed design build are predicated on the basis of ground conditions, anticipated bearing pressures, site history and design layout.

### 6.6.1 Spread Foundations

- Northern Plot

From the information available and assessment of the ground conditions, it is considered the site may be successfully developed utilising conventional spread foundations.

Calculations based on the Standard Penetration Test results indicate a net allowable bearing pressure of 110kPa is advised for foundations constructed within the Lower Greensand Formation at a minimum depth of 1.00m, allowing for settlement within acceptable limits (maximum of 25mm) which should take place during the construction phase. This recommended bearing pressure has been calculated on the basis that groundwater levels will rise to foundation level.

The sand and gravel may also become weakened upon disturbance during excavation for foundation trenches resulting in a further reduction in relative density. GIS recommend foundation widths in general should be a minimum of 0.60m to avoid potential 'punching' failure with incorporation of some integral longitudinal and traverse steel bars/mesh reinforcement to mitigate the effects of differential settlement. This particular caveat is required to give added confidence to the long-term stability of the structure.

There will no requirement to install anti heave precautions as the founding medium at 1.00m depths is classified as non-shrinkable and given the distance from foundations to boundary trees, which is likely to exceed 10m.

It is recommended the groundworks proceed during the summer or autumn season when groundwater levels are anticipated to be at a level that will allow free unhindered access to excavations without an expensive and time-consuming dewatering programme If time permits. It is recommended groundwater levels are continually monitored over an annual period to establish peaks of high and low groundwater levels.

- Southern Plot

From the information available and assessment of the ground conditions, it is considered the site may be successfully developed utilising conventional spread foundations and deep trench-fill foundations.

The zone of development incorporating the five individual building plots is directly underlain by Gault Formation underpinned at a mean average depth of 1.48m by Lower Greensand Formation. Given the High Shrinkage Potential of the Gault Formation and the close proximity of trees allied with some evidence of desiccation in these clay soils GIS recommend foundations are taken down through the Gault Formation end bearing upon the Lower Greensand Formation at presumed depths ranging between 0.90m (SA7) and 2.10m (BH4).

Calculations based on the Standard Penetration Test results indicate a net allowable bearing pressure of 100kPa can be achieved for conventional footings 600mm wide, with settlement within acceptable limits (maximum of 25mm) which should take place during the construction period. This recommended bearing pressure has been calculated on the basis that groundwater levels may rise to or above foundation level.

It is recommended the groundworks proceed during the spring, summer or autumn season when groundwater levels are anticipated to be at a level that will allow free unhindered access to excavations without an expensive and time-consuming dewatering programme if time permits. It is recommended groundwater levels are continually monitored over an annual period to establish peaks of high and low groundwater levels.

#### 6.6.2 Pile Foundations

Should the client consider the method of foundation recommended above to be unworkable or the design bearing pressures exceed the bearing capacity of the soil then alternative approach should be considered such as deep pile foundations

Deep piles end bearing within the bedrock (Lower Greensand Formation) will be acceptable subject to the establishment of pile parameters based additional deep exploratory boreholes. GIS recommend a minimum of five boreholes are sunk to a depth of ten metres with insitu geotechnical testing and undisturbed sample retrieval for laboratory stress tests in order to allow design of pile foundations.

#### 6.7 Ground Floor Slab

The subgrade soil conditions beneath the footprint of the ground floor comprises soft and firm sandy clay and clay of low to high shrinkage potential. Given the distance to trees, those to be retained or removed and the heightened risk from continued shrink and swell brought about by tree root dehydration and high water table, GIS recommend the floor slab is suspended to offset the possibility of future heave/shrinkage/consolidation.

Reference to NHBC Standards, Chapter 5.2 - *Suspended Ground Floors* is recommended.

## 6.8 Excavations and Ground Stability

Excavations for foundations and service trenches will remain stable in the short term but will require temporary shoring if left open for a prolonged period of time. It is recommended all excavations in excess of 1.20m depth should be supported at all times, in compliance with health and safety at work requirements.

Excavations in the Northern Plot within the non-cohesive sand and gravel subsoil primarily for foundation and service trenches, are likely to become unstable in the very short term due to the granular nature of the soils encountered and may require temporary shoring or cut back to a safe minimum angle of 33°. All excavations in excess of 1.20m should be supported at all times, in compliance with health and safety at work requirements and in accordance with advice given the Construction Design and Management Regulations (2015) and in compliance with health and safety at work requirements and in accordance with advice given in HSE - Health and Safety in Construction HSG 150.

Groundwater levels are highly variable depending upon location and in respect of local hydrogeological conditions and seasonal variations. Current groundwater levels were recorded during a period of seasonally high precipitation and these are expected to stabilise and fall during spring months and summer months.

Groundwater ingress can be dealt with by a series of sumps and pumping off site. Any system of sump pumping or well points will have to be of sufficiently high capacity to adequately remove excess groundwaters. Any temporary reduction in groundwater levels should be short term to avoid excessive dewatering and consequential fines removal of granular stratum beneath future sub-structures. Advice on the temporary control of groundwater in excavations is given in CIRIA Report 113 (1998) - *Control of Groundwater in Temporary Works*.

## 6.9 Sub-Surface Concrete

The results of the laboratory testing indicate sulphate concentrations of less than 0.5 g/l (2:1 water: soil extract), with pH values in excess of 5.5pH. Such results, for a site which is neither brown-field nor pyritic with static groundwater conditions, conform to Design Sulphate Class DS-1 and ACEC Class AC-1 conditions of BRE Special Digest 1. Therefore the designer should use the above classifications in order to produce the sub-surface concrete specification.

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## 6.10 Soakaway Assessment

Infiltration testing has demonstrated the very poor drainage characteristics of the host soils to discharge drainage waters. Testing was performed in a range of strata, comprising clayey and silty sands and gravel sand and intact clay.

Soil infiltration rates are in the range  $1.11 \times 10^{-5}$  m/sec to  $1.07 \times 10^{-6}$  m/sec.

Testing was curtailed by the high groundwater table in the Northern Plot at the time of the test programme which has risen close to ground level during the period of January/February 2021.

The Southern Plot may offer more scope for drainage with provision for soakaway drains installed within the granular horizons of the Lower Greensand Formation and Summertown-Radley Sand and Gravel Member, avoiding the Gault Formation which is impermeable.

Overall drainage design should avoid overloading the rear embankment supporting the south facing perimeter boundary here. Soakaway chamber depths should be limited to a minimum of 0.50m above the groundwater standing level

For the northern Plot, local soakaways will not be effective owing to the high groundwater table (between 0.20m and 0.62m). Alternative methods and systems of discharge should be considered that include off-site discharge (water courses or surface water sewer) or within the site via local swales, permeable paving, installation of geogrids for temporary storage or rain water harvesting etc.

## 6.11 Road and Hardstanding Pavement Design

Results of the CBR test work reveal the ground at test depths of 500mm has a bearing value of between 1% and 2% for both the Northern Plot and the Southern Plot.

On the basis of the test results we advise a CBR Design value of 1% should be adopted for road pavements subject to local authority approval. Reference to *HA Interim Advice Note 73/06 (2009) Design Guidance for Road Pavement Foundations (Draft HD25)* indicates for subgrades with CBR values less than <2.5% then the soils should be removed and replaced by more suitable materials. A depth of removal is quoted between 0.50m and 1.00m depth.

The subgrade which is susceptible to softening and conversely stiffening if left exposed during pavement construction should be promptly protected by a capping layer following exposure, if this is not practicable it should be cut with a cross-fall and drainage provided. Where high shrinkage soils are exposed in the Southern Plot or loose silty sands are encountered in the Northern Plot it is recommended the soils are stabilised by installation of a geotextile/geogrid membrane for additional reinforcement and capping layers to forestall differential settlement.



We note that the presence of mature trees just along site boundaries which may affect the long-term serviceability of road pavements, particularly in respect of desiccation and subgrade shrinkage. Therefore, measures to ameliorate these effects should be considered including an allowance for increasing the depth of pavement and/or provision of a root barrier. Groundwater is also an issue that should be factored in the design and timing of construction. We advise construction of capping and sub-base layers are undertaken during a period of 'dry conditions' when standing water levels are below final design formation level.

### **6.12 Future Work**

Continued groundwater monitoring (every month) is currently in operation to establish the full range in seasonal water levels in order to determine the maximum depth of soakaway chambers to prevent flooding and maintain operational use.

If the option of piling is considered mandatory, then we advise additional deep boreholes (4 No.) are sunk to give definitive geotechnical data to allow for pile design.

### **6.13 Supplementary work required to existing Report**

GIS have been advised of the revision to the development layout since the issue of the first draft report which may require addition geotechnical input. This is particularly relevant to the north side plot where new structures are scheduled on land currently lacking any survey data.

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## **APPENDICES**

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## APPENDIX A

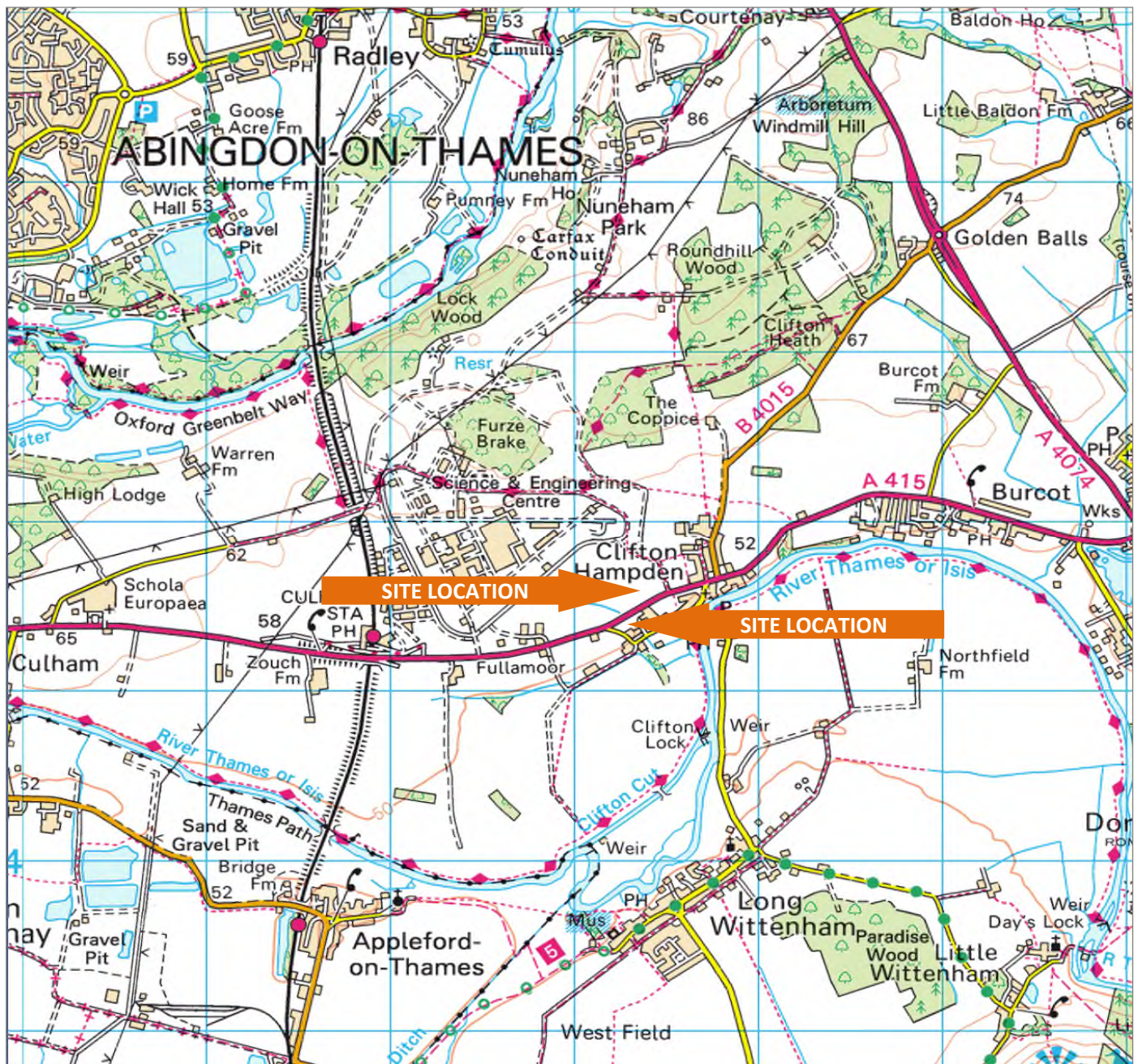
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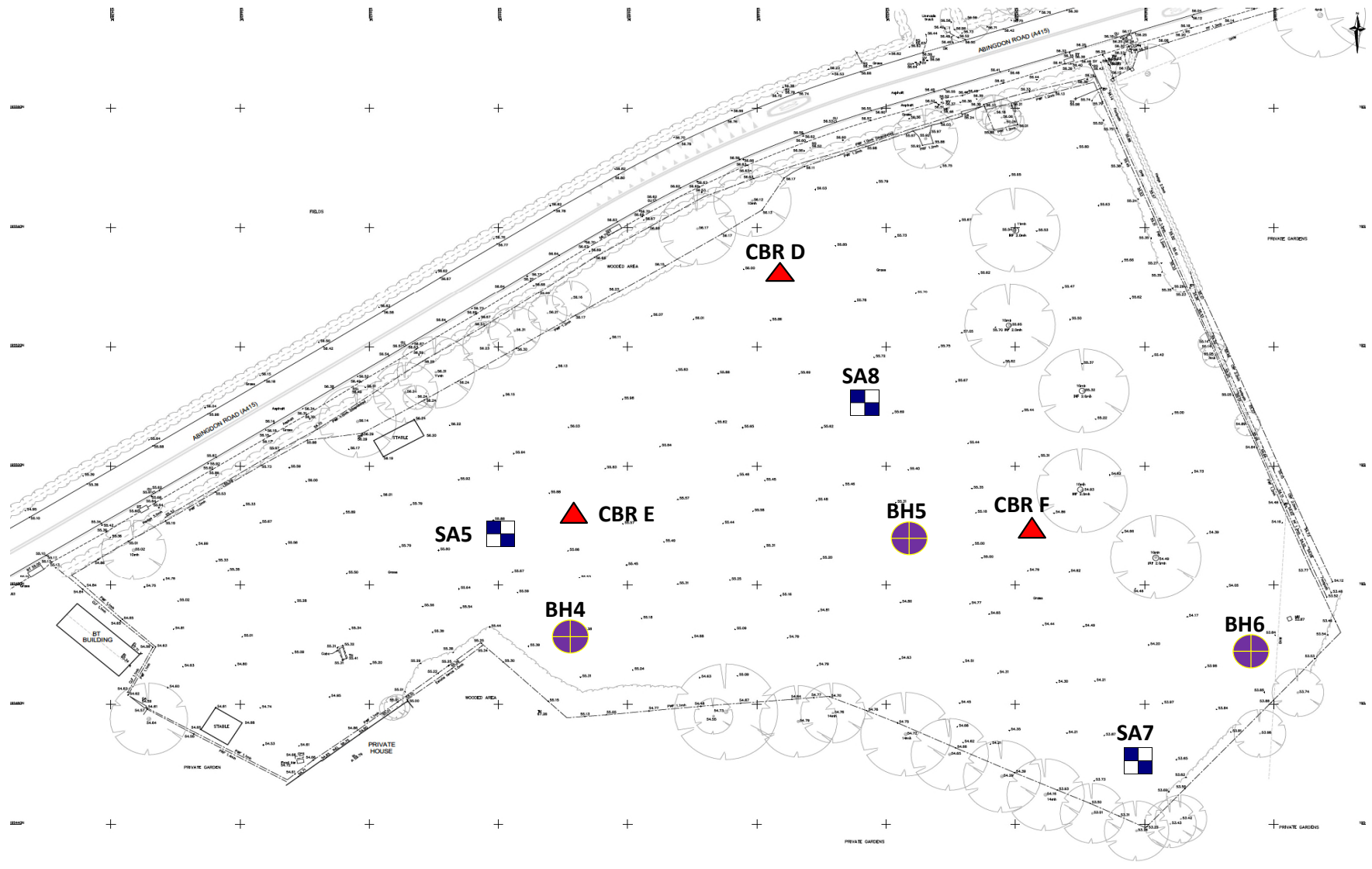
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Windowless sampling borehole



California Bearing Ratio Test



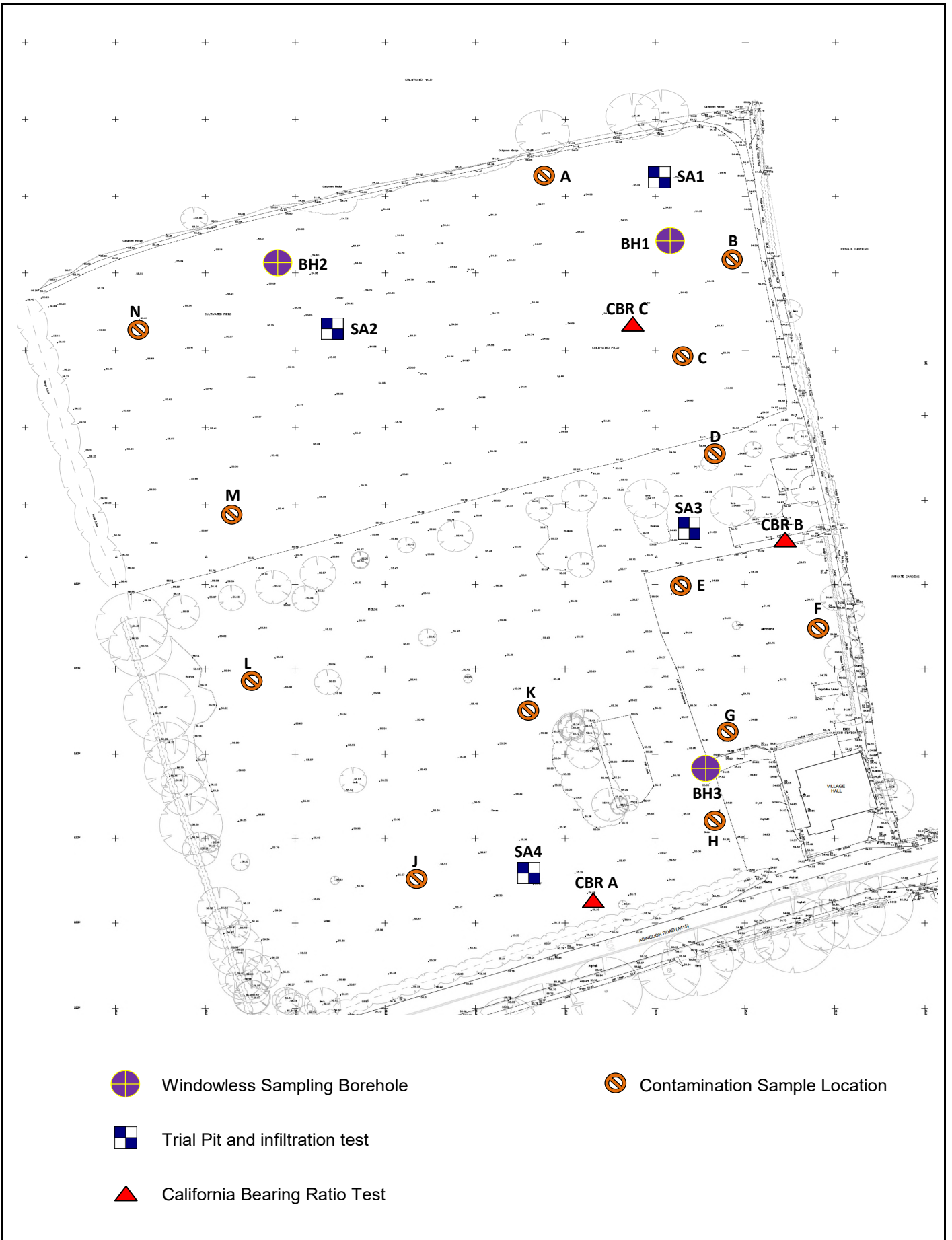
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## BOREHOLE/TRIAL PIT/CBR LOCATION PLAN

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-  Windowless Sampling Borehole
-  Trial Pit and infiltration test
-  California Bearing Ratio Test
-  Contamination Sample Location

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# NOTES ON EXPLORATORY HOLE RECORDS

## GENERAL NOTES

### 1 OPERATING PROCEDURES

The procedure used for cable percussion boring, rotary drilling, trial pitting, sampling, in situ and laboratory testing and sample descriptions are generally in accordance with BS5930:2015+A1:2021 'Code of practice for Ground investigations', BS EN ISO 14688-1:2002 'Geotechnical investigation and testing – Identification and classification of soil – Part 1 Identification and description', BS EN ISO 14689-1:2003 'Geotechnical investigation and testing – Identification and classification of rock – Part 1 Identification and description' as appropriate, and BS1 377:1990 'Methods of test for soils for civil engineering purposes', unless stated otherwise.

### 2 GROUNDWATER

Exploratory hole water levels are recorded together with the depths at which seepages or inflows of water are detected. These observations are noted on the Records, but may be misleading for the following reasons:

- a) The exploratory hole is rarely left open at the relevant depth for a sufficient time for the water level to reach equilibrium.
- b) A permeable stratum may have been sealed off by the borehole casing.
- c) Water may have been added to the borehole to facilitate progress.
- d) The permeability may have been altered by the excavation/boring/drilling process.

Standpipes or piezometers should be installed when an accurate record of groundwater level is required, however, it should be noted that groundwater levels may vary significantly due to seasonal, climatic or man made effects. Water levels recorded during the investigation and any advice or comment made accordingly may, therefore, not be appropriate to particular foundation, geotechnical design, or temporary works solutions. Long term monitoring of standpipes or piezometers is always recommended when water levels are likely to have a significant effect on design.

### 3 CHISELLING

The remarks in the Borehole Records contain information on the time spent advancing the borehole by 'Chiselling Techniques', and the depth of borehole over which it was required. Such information may be affected by a wide range of variable factors, unrelated to the geotechnical properties of the strata. Such factors include, but are not restricted to: plant, equipment and operator. The data should, therefore, only be used subjectively and with extreme caution.

### 4 IDENTIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION OF SOILS - SEE SEPARATE SHEET

The identification system follows the Company's Engineering: Geotechnical Procedures Manual which is based on BS EN ISO 14688-1:2002 and appropriate clarifications in the National Foreword, BS 5930:1999 and BS EN ISO 14689-1:2003

Relative density terms are given where supported by SPT N values, with the exception of Made Ground. The field assessment of compactness or relative density for coarse grained soils is only given on trial pit records where appropriate assessment of the soils has been undertaken.

Where the terms 'soft to firm', 'firm to stiff' etc. are used they indicate a strength which is close to the borderline between the two terms and cannot be precisely defined by inspection only, and/or which is indicated as borderline or ranging between the two terms after consideration also of in situ and laboratory test results. Consistencies may have been amended in the light of test results

Where 'to' links two terms, as in 'slightly sandy to sandy' this again represents a borderline case or a range, where the precise proportions cannot be determined as outlined previously.

The name of the geological formation is only given where this has been requested and can be determined with confidence (see Clause 41.5 of BS 5930:1999).

### 5 INTERPRETATION OF THE RESULTS OF THE INVESTIGATION

The description of ground conditions encountered and any engineering interpretation included in the report are based on the results of the boreholes and trial pits and the field and laboratory testing carried out. There may be ground conditions at the site which have not been revealed by the investigation and consequently have not been taken into account.

Any interpolation or extrapolation of strata between exploratory holes shown on any cross sections or site plans is an estimate only of the likely stratification based on general experience of the ground conditions and is subject to the interpretation of the reader.

The term "TOPSOIL" is used in this report to describe the surface, usually organic rich, layer including turf, subsoil and weathered material with roots. The use of this term may not imply that the soil satisfies the requirements of Clause 3 of BS 3882:1994, 'Specification for topsoil', or is suitable for general horticultural and agricultural purposes.

Laboratory test results in this report give the soil properties of individual specimens tested under specified conditions. Individual results or groups of results may not be appropriate for use as design parameters for some geotechnical analyses. The samples may be non-representative, disturbed internally, or prepared and tested under conditions suited for different geotechnical applications. Unless the selection of design parameters is discussed in this report, it is recommended that the advice of a Geotechnical Specialist is sought.

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**Recommended symbols for soils and rocks – BS 5930:2015+A1:2021**



Made ground



Chalk



Topsoil



Limestone



Boulders and Cobbles



Conglomerate



Gravel



Breccia



Sand



Coal



Silt



Shale



Clay



Siltstone



Peat



Sandstone

Composite soil types may signified  
By combined symbols, e.g.



Mudstone/Claystone



Sandy CLAY with a trace of fine medium gravel



Silty slightly clayey SAND

# NOTES ON EXPLORATORY HOLE RECORDS

## IDENTIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION OF SOILS

|   | Basic Soil Type   | Particle Size (mm)         | Visual Identification   | Composite Soil Types<br>(Mixtures of basic soil)   | Density / Consistency / Peat Condition  |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
|---|---|----------------------------|---|--|---|---|--|--|---|--|--|--|-----------|--|---|
| Very Coarse Soils   | BOULDERS  | 200                        | Large Boulders >630mm. These soils only seen complete in pits or exposures. Often difficult to recover from boreholes.  | Scale of secondary constituents with coarse and very coarse soils. Term before, description after  |   | For very coarse soils qualitative description by inspection of voids and particle packaging.                                    |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
|   | COBBLES   |                            |   | Term before (term in '[]' may be used for 2 <sup>nd</sup> ry parts, matrix etc)  | Description after   |   | Approx % 2 <sup>nd</sup> ry soil type                          |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| COARSE SOILS<br>(Typically over 65% Sand & Gravel Sizes)  | GRAVEL  | coarse                     | Easily visible to naked eye; particle shape can be described, grading can be described. Well graded: wide range of grain sizes, well distributed. Poorly graded: not well graded. (May be uniform: size of most particles lies between narrow limits; or gap graded: an intermediate size of particle is markedly under represented). | Slightly (sandy*) [occasional / little]  | Used to describe components of secondary constituents. e.g. Gravel is fine and medium subangular fine sandstone and mudstone.       | <5  | <b>Standard Penetration Test in Boreholes for Coarse Soils</b> |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   | medium                     |   | 20   | --(sandy*) [some]   | 5 – 20  | No of blows  | Relative Density   |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   | fine                       |   |  |   |   | 2  | 4-10   | Loose   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
|   | SAND  | coarse                     | 0.63  | Visible to naked eye; no cohesion when dry; grading can be described. Well graded and poorly graded: as above  | Very (sandy*) [much / many]   | 20 to 40†   | 30-50  | Dense  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   | medium                     |   |  |   |   | 0.2  | --   | >50   | Very Dense                                     |  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   | fine                       |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |  | Slightly cemented  | Visual Examination: pick removes soil in lumps which can be abraded. |           |  |   |
|   |   |                            |   |  | * Fine or coarse soil type as appropriate<br>+ Very coarse soil type – see Notes<br>† described as fine soil depending on behaviour |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
|   | FINE SOILS<br>(Typically over 35% Silt & Clay Sizes)  | SILT                       | coarse  | Only coarse silt visible with hand lens; exhibits little plasticity and marked dilatancy; slightly granular or silky to touch. Disintegrates in water; lumps dry quickly; possesses cohesion but powders easily between fingers.   | Term before   | Principal Soil Type   | Description after  | Approx % 2 <sup>nd</sup> ry soil type  | Scale of secondary constituents with fine soils. Terms before, description after principal constituent. |  |  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   |                            | medium  |  |   |   |  |  | 0.02  | CLAY OR SILT                                   | Used to describe components of secondary constituents e.g. gravelly sandy CLAY. Gravel is coarse rounded quartzite | <35  | Very soft | Finger easily pushed in up to 25mm. Exudes between fingers |   |
|   |   |                            | fine  |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  | 0.0063   | 35 to 65† | Soft   | Finger pushed in up to 10mm. Moulded by fingers |
| CLAY  |   | 0.002                      |   | Term "SILT" or "CLAY" must be used, "SILT/CLAY" not allowed.<br><br>Dry lumps can be broken but not powdered between the fingers; they also disintegrate under water but more slowly than silt; smooth to the touch; exhibits plasticity but no dilatancy; sticks to the fingers and dries slowly; shrinks appreciably on drying usually showing cracks. Intermediate and high plasticity clays show these properties to a moderate and high degree, respectively. | Very (sandy*)   | CLAY OR SILT  | Gravel is coarse rounded quartzite                             | >65†   | Firm  | Thumb makes impression easily. Rolls to thread |  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   |                            |   |  |   |   |  | * Coarse soil type as appropriate<br>† or described as coarse soil depending on mass behaviour   |   | Stiff  | Can be indented slightly by thumb. Crumbles if rolled  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   |                            |   |  |   |   |  | EXAMPLES OF COMPOSITE TYPES (indicating preferred order for description)   |   | Very Stiff                                     | Indented by thumbnail. Cannot be moulded   |  |           |  |   |
|   |   |                            |   |  |   |   |  | Loose brown very sandy subangular coarse GRAVEL with many pockets (<5mm across) of soft grey clay.<br>Firm thinly interlaminated brown SILT and CLAY. Dense light brown clayey fine and medium SAND. |   | Hard   | Can be scratched by thumb nail   |  |           |  |   |
| Organic Soils   |   | ORGANIC CLAY, SILT or SAND | Varies  | Contains varying amounts of organic vegetable matter - defined by colour: grey - slightly organic; dark grey – organic; black – very organic.  |   |   |  |  | Firm Peat   | Fibres compressed together                     |  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   |                            |   |  |   |   |  |  | Spongy Peat   | Very compressible, open                        |  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   |                            |   |  |   |   |  |  | Plastic Peat  | Moulded in hand, smears                        |  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   |                            |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
|   |   |                            |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| <b>Structure</b>  |   |                            |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Term  | Field Identification  |                            |   | Interval Scales  |   |   | Particle Nature  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Homo-geneous  | Deposit consists essentially of one type  |                            |   | Scale of Bedding Spacing   |   | Mean Spacing (mm)   | Scale of Spacing of Other Discontinuities / [Blocks]           |  | Particle Shape & Form   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Interbedded or interlaminated   | Alternating layers of varying types. Pre-qualified by thickness term if in equal proportions. Otherwise thickness of, and spacing between, subordinate layers defined |                            |   | Very thickly bedded  |   | over 2000   | Very widely spaced / [Very large]                              |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Hetero-geneous  | A mixture of types  |                            |   | Thickly bedded   |   | 2000-600  | Widely spaced / [Large]  |  | Low Sphericity<br>Flat or Elongate  |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Weathered (granular)  | Particles may be weakened and may show concentric layering  |                            |   | Medium bedded  |   | 600-200   | Medium spaced / [Medium]                                       |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Weathered (cohesive)  | Usually has crumb or columnar structure   |                            |   | Thinly bedded  |   | 200-60  | Closely spaced / [Small]                                       |  | High Sphericity<br>Cubic  |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Fissured  | Breaks into blocks along unpolished discontinuities   |                            |   | Very thinly bedded   |   | 60-20   | Very closely / [Very small]                                    |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Sheared   | Breaks into blocks along polished discontinuities   |                            |   | Thickly laminated  |   | 20-6  | Extremely closely spaced                                       |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Intact  | No fissures   |                            |   | Thinly laminated   |   | under 6   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Fibrous Peat  | Plant remains recognisable and retain some strength. When squeezed only water, no solids  |                            |   | Spacing terms may also be used for distance between partings, isolated beds or laminae, desiccation cracks, rootlets etc. Terms such as partings or dustings may be used for laminae less than 2mm and less than 0.6mm respectively.   |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Pseudo-fibrous Peat   | Plant remains recognisable, strength lost. Partial decomposition. Turbid water when squeezed, <50% solids   |                            |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Amorphous Peat  | Recognisable plant remains absent, full decomposition. When squeezed only paste with >50% solids  |                            |   | Discontinuity Shape (See Standard for Persistence/Openness)  |   | Small scale (mm's) rough, smooth<br>Medium scale (cm's) planar, stepped, undulating<br>Large scale (m's) wavy, curved, straight |  |  | Particle Surface Texture  |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Gyttja  | Decomposed plant & animal remains, maybe inorganic constituents   |                            |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| Humus   | Plant remains, living organisms & inorganic constituents in topsoil   |                            |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |
| <p><b>NOTES</b> Identification and descriptive method, and descriptions, generally in accordance with BS5930:2015+A1:2021 Section 6 clauses 41 and 43 and BS EN ISO 14688 1:2002 Additional notes relating to BS EN ISO 14688-2:2004 – modified terms for content of secondary fraction given in Annex B Table B1 are not comparable to 5930 and are not to be used.</p> <p><b>Organic Content</b> :- Low – 2 to 6%; Medium - 6 to 20%; High - &gt;20%. Terms not used on borehole records</p> <p><b>Carbonate content</b> :- Only noted if field test with dilute HCl undertaken – Carbonate free if no effervescence; Calcareous if slight effervescence; Highly calcareous if strong reaction</p> <p><b>Undrained shear strength</b> :- terms from laboratory or in situ tests not given on borehole records.</p> <p><b>Very Coarse Soils</b> – described by initially removing very coarse materials and describing residue before adding back the very coarse soils. If residue is cohesive then described as ' (COBBLES / BOULDERS) with low (cobble / boulder) content with (some / much etc) matrix of ' If residue is granular then described as ' with matrix of ' or as a coarse soil. <b>Cobbles</b> :- &lt;10% - low cobble content; 10 to 20% - medium content; &gt;20% - high content; <b>Boulders</b> &lt;5% - low boulder content; 5 to 20% - medium content; &gt;20% - high content</p> |   |                            |   |  |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |  |           |  |   |









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Date  
January 2021

Borehole No.  
**Three**

CLIENT  
Thomas Homes

Ground Level (m OD)  
54.90m

Co-ordinates

Sheet 1 of 1

SITE LOCATION

Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

Boring Method:  
Windowless Sampling

Diameter of (casings) and bore (mm) :  
101 & 116

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| SAMPLES AND TESTS |               |                            |      |      |      |           |            |              |                               | Water depth<br>m  | Reduced Level<br>m (AOD) | Depth<br>(thickness)<br>metres | Legend  | Strata Description | Backfill/<br>Installation | Depth |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------------------|------|------|------|-----------|------------|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--------------------|---------------------------|-------|
| Depth<br>metres   | Type<br>& No. | SPT records<br>ratio = 76% |      |      |      | energy    | PID<br>ppm | HSV<br>kN/m2 | Windowless<br>Sample Recovery |                   |                          |                                |   |                    |                           |       |
|                   |               | 100mm                      | 75mm | 75mm | 75mm | 'N' Value |            |              |                               |                   |                          |                                |   |                    |                           |       |
| GL - 1.00         | 1/U116        |                            |      |      |      |           |            |              |                               | GL-1.00<br>90%    | 54.50                    | 0.40                           | Grass over brown silty fine SAND with some gravel sized brick flint and concrete fragments<br><b>MADE GROUND</b>            |                    |                           |       |
| 1.00-1.45         | 2/DS          | 8                          | 7    | 9    | 9    | 11        | 36         |              |                               | 1.00-2.00<br>100% |                          | (1.30)                         | Medium dense brown silty SAND with a little fine flint and sandstone gravel<br><br>1.00m - dense                            |                    |                           |       |
| 1.00-2.00         | 3/U101        |                            |      |      |      |           |            |              |                               |                   |                          |                                |   |                    |                           |       |
| 2.00-2.45         | 4/DS          | 25                         | 27   | 23   |      |           | 50*        |              |                               |                   | 52.90                    | 2.00                           | Dense to very dense orange brown silty slightly gravelly SAND. Gravel is fine sandstone<br><b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b> |                    |                           |       |
|                   |               |                            |      |      |      |           |            |              |                               |                   |                          |                                |   |                    |                           |       |

| Casing Record |            |       | Chiselling record |          |        | Water level Observations (depths in metres below GL) |       |        |                           |      |              |                   |         |
|---------------|------------|-------|-------------------|----------|--------|--|-------|--------|---------------------------|------|--------------|-------------------|---------|
| Date          | Diam' (mm) | Depth | Time              | From (m) | To (m) | Date   | Time  | strike | Water level (after 20min) | Flow | Casing level | Standing          | Remarks |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 22.10.20   | 11.00 | 1.57   | 1.42                      | slow |              |                   |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 19.11.20   |       |        |                           |      |              | 1.34 <sup>1</sup> |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 17.12.20   |       |        |                           |      |              | 1.26 <sup>2</sup> |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 15.01.21   |       |        |                           |      |              | 0.90 <sup>3</sup> |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 15.02.21   |       |        |                           |      |              | 0.62 <sup>4</sup> |         |

|   |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| <b>Key</b><br>U Undisturbed Sample<br>B Bulk sample<br>D Disturbed Sample<br>W Water Sample<br>E Environmental Glass Jar/Plastic tub<br>PID Photo-ionisation Detector | SPT/S Split Spoon<br>SPT/C Solid Cone<br>HSV Hand Shear Vane<br>Hand pen' Hand penetrometer<br>Groundwater strike<br>Groundwater standing | <b>REMARKS</b><br><br>Weather: Cold and wet | Logged by: SD<br>Date: 22.10.20<br>Checked by: JMH<br>Date: 24.02.21<br>Approved by: MPB<br>Date: 26.02.21 |
|---|---|---|--|

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## BOREHOLE LOG

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Date  
January 2021

Borehole No.  
**Four**

CLIENT  
Thomas Homes

Ground Level (m OD)  
55.40m

Co-ordinates

Sheet 1 of 1

SITE LOCATION

Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

Boring Method:  
Windowless Sampling

Diameter of (casings) and  
bore (mm) :  
96, 101 & 116

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| SAMPLES AND TESTS |               |                            |      |      |      |                   |            |              |                               | Water<br>depth<br>m | Reduced<br>Level<br>m (AOD) | Depth<br>(thickness)<br>metres | Legend   | Strata Description  | Backfill/<br>Installation | Depth |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------------------|------|------|------|-------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------|-------|
| Depth<br>metres   | Type<br>& No. | SPT records<br>ratio = 76% |      |      |      | energy<br>N Value | PID<br>ppm | HSV<br>kN/m2 | Windowless<br>Sample Recovery |                     |                             |                                |  |   |                           |       |
|                   |               | 10mm                       | 75mm | 75mm | 75mm |                   |            |              |                               |                     |                             |                                |  |   |                           |       |
| GL - 1.00         | 1/U116        |                            |      |      |      |                   |            |              |                               | GL-1.00<br>90%      |                             |                                |  | Grass over dark brown humic very clayey fine SAND with a little fine gravel<br><b>TOPSOIL</b> |                           |       |
| 1.00-1.45         | 2/DS          | 2                          | 3    | 2    | 3    | 3                 | 11         |              |                               | 1.00-2.00<br>100%   |                             | (1.30)                         | Firm grey intact CLAY with a trace of fine medium rounded flint gravel<br><br>0.90m firm to stiff clay |   |                           |       |
| 1.00-2.00         | 3/U101        |                            |      |      |      |                   |            |              |                               |                     |                             | 1.60                           | Stiff light brown mottled olive brown intact and friable CLAY  |   |                           |       |
| 2.00-2.45         | 4/DS          | 6                          | 6    | 7    | 11   | 14                | 38         |              |                               | 2.00-3.00<br>100%   | 4 ▼                         | (0.50)                         | <b>GAULT FORMATION</b>   |   |                           |       |
| 2.00-3.00         | 5/U101        |                            |      |      |      |                   |            |              |                               |                     |                             | 2.10                           | Dense orange brown gravelly SAND. Gravel is fine rare medium sandstone                                 |   |                           |       |
| 3.00-3.45         | 6/DS          | 13                         | 9    | 11   | 13   | 15                | 48         |              |                               |                     | 3 ▼                         | (0.90)                         | <b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b>   |   |                           |       |

| Casing Record |            |       | Chiselling record |          |        | Water level Observations (depths in metres below GL) |       |        |                           |      |              |                   |         |
|---------------|------------|-------|-------------------|----------|--------|--|-------|--------|---------------------------|------|--------------|-------------------|---------|
| Date          | Diam' (mm) | Depth | Time              | From (m) | To (m) | Date   | Time  | strike | Water level (after 20min) | Flow | Casing level | Standing          | Remarks |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 22.10.20   | 12.00 | dry    |                           |      |              |                   |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 19.11.20   |       |        |                           |      |              | dry               |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 17.12.20   |       |        |                           |      |              | dry               |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 15.01.21   |       |        |                           |      |              | 2.72 <sup>3</sup> |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 15.02.21   |       |        |                           |      |              | 1.81 <sup>4</sup> |         |

| Key |                                     |           |                      | REMARKS   |  |  |  |
|-----|-------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|---|--|--|--|
| U   | Undisturbed Sample                  | SPT/S     | Split Spoon          | Weather: Cold and wet<br><br>Logged by: SD<br>Date: 22.10.20<br>Checked by: JMH<br>Date: 24.02.21<br>Approved by: MPB<br>Date: 26.02.21 |  |  |  |
| B   | Bulk sample                         | SPT/C     | Solid Cone           |   |  |  |  |
| D   | Disturbed Sample                    | HSV       | Hand Shear Vane      |   |  |  |  |
| W   | Water Sample                        | Hand pen' | Hand penetrometer    |   |  |  |  |
| E   | Environmental Glass Jar/Plastic tub | ▽         | Groundwater strike   |   |  |  |  |
| PID | Photo-ionisation Detector           | ▼         | Groundwater standing |   |  |  |  |

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Date  
January 2021

Borehole No.  
**Six**

CLIENT  
Thomas Homes

Ground Level (m OD)  
53.82m

Co-ordinates

Sheet 1 of 1

SITE LOCATION

Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

Boring Method:  
Windowless Sampling

Diameter of (casings) and  
bore (mm) :  
101 & 116

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| SAMPLES AND TESTS |               |                            |      |      |      |           |            |                   |                               | Water depth<br>m | Reduced Level<br>m (AOD) | Depth<br>(thickness)<br>metres | Legend | Strata Description  | Backfill/<br>Installation        | Depth |  |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------------------|------|------|------|-----------|------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|---|----------------------------------|-------|--|
| Depth<br>metres   | Type<br>& No. | SPT records<br>ratio = 76% |      |      |      | energy    | PID<br>ppm | HSV<br>kN/m2      | Windowless<br>Sample Recovery |                  |                          |                                |        |   |                                  |       |  |
|                   |               | 100mm                      | 75mm | 75mm | 75mm | 'N' Value |            |                   |                               |                  |                          |                                |        |   |                                  |       |  |
| GL - 1.00         | 1/U116        |                            |      |      |      |           |            |                   | GL-1.00<br>90%                |                  |                          |                                |        | Grass over dark brown humic very clayey fine SAND with much fine medium flint gravel<br><b>TOPSOIL</b>  |                                  |       |  |
|                   |               |                            |      |      |      |           |            |                   |                               |                  |                          | 0.30                           |        | Loose dark brown humic silty friable organic silty SAND   |                                  |       |  |
| 1.00-1.45         | 2/DS          | 3                          | 2    | 3    | 3    | 5         | 13         |                   | 1.00-2.00<br>100%             |                  |                          | 0.80                           |        | Soft to firm orange brown mottled brown very sandy CLAY with a little fine medium sandstone gravel and a trace of medium rounded flint gravel |                                  |       |  |
| 1.00-2.00         | 3/U101        |                            |      |      |      |           |            |                   |                               |                  |                          | (0.70)                         |        |   |                                  |       |  |
|                   |               |                            |      |      |      |           |            |                   |                               |                  |                          | 1.50                           |        | <b>SUMMERTOWN-RADLEY SAND AND GRAVEL MEMBER</b>   |                                  |       |  |
|                   |               |                            |      |      |      |           |            |                   |                               |                  |                          |                                |        | Dense to very dense orange brown silty fine gravelly SAND. Gravel is fine rare medium sandstone   |                                  |       |  |
| 2.00-2.45         | 4/DS          | 13                         | 9    | 13   | 17   | 11        | 50*        | 2.00-2.50<br>100% |                               |                  |                          | (1.00)                         |        |   |                                  |       |  |
| 2.00-2.50         |               | *50 blows for 260mm pen    |      |      |      |           |            |                   |                               |                  |                          |                                | 2.50   |   | <b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b> |       |  |

| Casing Record |            |       | Chiselling record |          |        | Water level Observations (depths in metres below GL) |       |        |                           |      |              |                   |         |
|---------------|------------|-------|-------------------|----------|--------|--|-------|--------|---------------------------|------|--------------|-------------------|---------|
| Date          | Diam' (mm) | Depth | Time              | From (m) | To (m) | Date   | Time  | strike | Water level (after 20min) | Flow | Casing level | Standing          | Remarks |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 22.10.20   | 15.00 | dry    |                           |      |              |                   |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 19.11.20   |       |        |                           |      |              | dry               |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 17.12.20   |       |        |                           |      |              | dry               |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 15.01.21   |       |        |                           |      |              | dry               |         |
|               |            |       |                   |          |        | 15.02.21   |       |        |                           |      |              | 1.77 <sup>4</sup> |         |

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|---|---|---|--|
| <b>Key</b><br>U Undisturbed Sample<br>B Bulk sample<br>D Disturbed Sample<br>W Water Sample<br>E Environmental Glass Jar/Plastic tub<br>PID Photo-ionisation Detector | SPT/S Split Spoon<br>SPT/C Solid Cone<br>HSV Hand Shear Vane<br>Hand pen' Hand penetrometer<br>Groundwater strike<br>Groundwater standing | <b>REMARKS</b><br><br>Weather: Cold and wet | Logged by: SD<br>Date: 22.10.20<br>Checked by: JMH<br>Date: 24.02.21<br>Approved by: MPB<br>Date: 26.02.21 |
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Figure **11**



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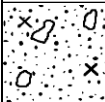
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| Date:               | February 2021 | <b>TRIAL PIT<br/>SA1</b>    |
| Ground Level :      |               |                             |
| Orientation:        | East-west     | Sheet 1 of 1                |
| Co-Ordinates (NGR): |               | Report No.<br><b>S.5632</b> |

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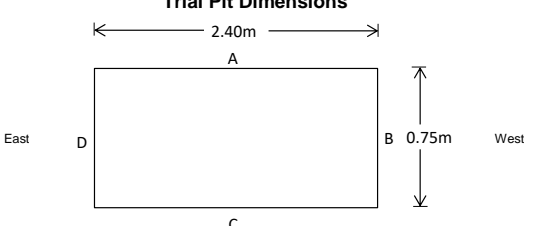
Thomas Homes

**SITE LOCATION**

Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

| SAMPLES AND TESTS |     |      |              |                       |              | water<br>depth<br>m | Reduced<br>Level<br>m (AOD) | Depth<br>(thickness)<br>metres   | Legend   | STRATA AND DESCRIPTION |
|-------------------|-----|------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|------------------------|
| Depth<br>metres   | No. | Type | PID<br>% v/v | Hand<br>pen'<br>kN/m2 | HSV<br>kN/m2 |                     |                             |  |  |                        |
| 0.50              |     | D    |              |                       |              |                     |                             | <br>0.30<br><br>(0.45)<br>0.65m- very gravelly<br>0.75<br><b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b> | Brown silty humic SAND with a little fine rounded flint gravel<br><br><b>TOPSOIL</b><br>Medium dense light brown clayey SAND with a little fine medium coarse rounded flint gravel<br><br>0.65m- very gravelly<br><b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b> |                        |



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| <p><b>Trial Pit Dimensions</b></p>  | Date of logging: 14 December 2021<br>Excavation plant: 3T excavator<br>Pit stability: Stable<br>Weather: Cold and dry<br>Groundwater (strike): 0.75m<br>Groundwater (standing): 0.75m (after 30 minutes duration)<br>Logged by: SD<br>Checked by: MPB |
|  | <p><b>General Remarks:</b></p>  |

Scale 1:30

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|  |                      |                             |                            |
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Date: February 2021

TRIAL PIT

**SA2**

Ground Level :

Orientation: East-west

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**CLIENT**

Thomas Homes




Co-Ordinates (NGR):

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**SITE LOCATION**

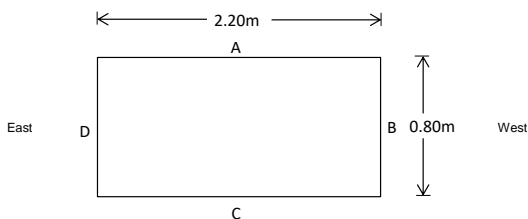
Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

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| SAMPLES AND TESTS |     |      |              |                       |              | water<br>depth<br>m   | Reduced<br>Level<br>m (AOD) | Depth<br>(thickness)<br>metres | Legend  | STRATA AND DESCRIPTION  |
|-------------------|-----|------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Depth<br>metres   | No. | Type | PID<br>% v/v | Hand<br>pen'<br>kN/m2 | HSV<br>kN/m2 |   |                             |                                |   |   |
| 0.10              |     | ES   |              |                       |              |   |                             |                                |  | Brown silty humic SAND with a little fine medium rounded flint gravel   |
| 0.50              |     | D    |              |                       |              |  |                             |                                |  | <p><b>TOPSOIL</b></p> <p>Medium dense light brown silty SAND with a little fine medium coarse rounded flint gravel and very thin clay bands</p> <p><b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b></p> |



**Trial Pit Dimensions**



Date of logging: 14 December 2021  
 Excavation plant: 3T excavator  
 Pit stability: Stable  
 Weather: Cold and dry  
 Groundwater (strike): 0.70m  
 Groundwater (standing): 0.70m (after 30 minutes duration)  
 Logged by: SD  
 Checked by: MPB

**General Remarks:**

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Figure

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Date: February 2021

TRIAL PIT

**SA3**

Ground Level :

Orientation: East-west

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**CLIENT**

Thomas Homes

Co-Ordinates (NGR):

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**SITE LOCATION**

Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

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| SAMPLES AND TESTS |     |      |              |                       |              | water<br>depth<br>m | Reduced<br>Level<br>m (AOD) | Depth<br>(thickness)<br>metres | Legend  | STRATA AND DESCRIPTION |
|-------------------|-----|------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Depth<br>metres   | No. | Type | PID<br>% v/v | Hand<br>pen'<br>kN/m2 | HSV<br>kN/m2 |                     |                             |                                |   |                        |
| 0.20              |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | Brown silty humic SAND<br><b>TOPSOIL</b>                                  |                        |
| 0.50              |     | D    |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | Loose light brown silty fine SAND   |                        |
| 0.70              |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | Medium dense reddish brown mottled grey silty gravelly medium coarse SAND |                        |
| 1.00              |     | B    |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | <b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b>  |                        |



|                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <p><b>Trial Pit Dimensions</b></p> | <p>Date of logging: 14 December 2021</p> <p>Excavation plant: 3T excavator</p> <p>Pit stability: Stable</p> <p>Weather: Cold and dry</p> <p>Groundwater (strike): 0.90m</p> <p>Groundwater (standing): 0.90m (after 30 minutes duration)</p> <p>Logged by: SD</p> <p>Checked by: MPB</p> |
|                                    | <p><b>General Remarks:</b></p>   |

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Figure

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Date: February 2021

Ground Level :

TRIAL PIT

**SA4**

**CLIENT**

Thomas Homes

Orientation: East-west

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**SITE LOCATION**

Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

Co-Ordinates (NGR):

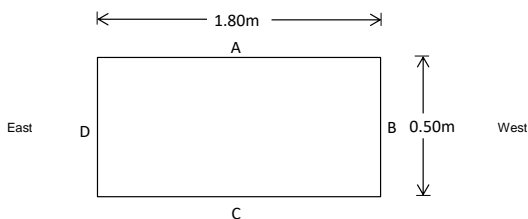
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| SAMPLES AND TESTS |     |      |              |                       |              | water<br>depth<br>m | Reduced<br>Level<br>m (AOD) | Depth<br>(thickness)<br>metres | Legend   | STRATA AND DESCRIPTION |
|-------------------|-----|------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| Depth<br>metres   | No. | Type | PID<br>% v/v | Hand<br>pen'<br>kN/m2 | HSV<br>kN/m2 |                     |                             |                                |  |                        |
| 0.30              |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | Brown silty humic SAND with a trace of fine medium gravel<br><b>TOPSOIL</b>  |                        |
| 0.50              |     | D    |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | Loose to medium dense light brown silty fine SAND with a little fine medium rounded flint gravel   |                        |
| 1.00              |     | B    |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | Medium dense reddish brown and brown gravelly coarse SAND<br>Gravel is fine medium rare coarse sandstone<br><b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b> |                        |
| 1.10              |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                |  |                        |
| 1.40              |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                |  |                        |



**Trial Pit Dimensions**



Date of logging: 14 December 2021  
 Excavation plant: 3T excavator  
 Pit stability: Stable  
 Weather: Cold and dry  
 Groundwater (strike): 1.20m  
 Groundwater (standing): 1.20m (after 30 minutes duration)  
 Logged by: SD  
 Checked by: MPB

**General Remarks:**

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Date: February 2021

Ground Level :

Orientation: East-west

Co-Ordinates (NGR):

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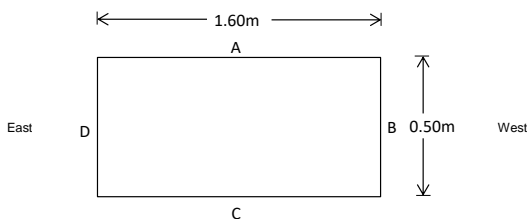
**SITE LOCATION**

Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

| SAMPLES AND TESTS |     |      |              |                       |              | water<br>depth<br>m | Reduced<br>Level<br>m (AOD) | Depth<br>(thickness)<br>metres | Legend | STRATA AND DESCRIPTION   |
|-------------------|-----|------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--|
| Depth<br>metres   | No. | Type | PID<br>% v/v | Hand<br>pen'<br>kN/m2 | HSV<br>kN/m2 |                     |                             |                                |        |  |
|                   |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                |        | Dark brown mottled greyish brown humic clayey SAND   |
|                   |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             | 0.30                           |        | <b>TOPSOIL</b>   |
| 0.50              |     | D    |              |                       |              |                     |                             | (0.40)                         |        | Firm brownish grey mottled light brown intact CLAY with a little fine medium coarse rounded flint gravel |
| 1.00              |     | B    |              |                       |              |                     |                             | 0.70                           |        | Firm light grey intact CLAY  |
| 1.50              |     | B    |              |                       |              |                     |                             | (1.30)                         |        | 1.50m - with some cream silt lenses  |
|                   |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                |        | 1.80m - orange brown mottling  |
| 2.00              |     | B    |              |                       |              |                     |                             | 2.00                           |        | <b>GAULT FORMATION</b><br>Medium dense light brown silty SAND  |
|                   |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             | (0.20)                         |        | <b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b>   |
|                   |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             | 2.20                           |        |  |



**Trial Pit Dimensions**



Date of logging: 14 December 2021  
 Excavation plant: 3T excavator  
 Pit stability: Stable  
 Weather: Cold and dry  
 Groundwater (strike): dry  
 Groundwater (standing): dry  
 Logged by: SD  
 Checked by: MPB

**General Remarks:**

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Ground Level :

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Orientation: East-west

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**SITE LOCATION**

Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

Co-Ordinates (NGR):

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| SAMPLES AND TESTS |     |      |           |                 |           | water depth<br>m | Reduced Level<br>m (AOD) | Depth (thickness)<br>metres | Legend  | STRATA AND DESCRIPTION |
|-------------------|-----|------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Depth metres      | No. | Type | PID % v/v | Hand pen' kN/m2 | HSV kN/m2 |                  |                          |                             |   |                        |
| 0.50              |     | D    |           |                 |           |                  | 0.45                     |                             | Dark brown mottled greyish brown humic clayey SAND with some large roots<br><b>TOPSOIL</b>    |                        |
| 1.00              |     | B    |           |                 |           |                  | (0.65)                   |                             | Firm grey slightly sandy intact and friable CLAY  |                        |
| 1.50              |     | B    |           |                 |           |                  | 1.10<br>(0.40)           |                             | Firm to stiff orange brown mottled light grey intact CLAY                                     |                        |
| 2.00              |     | B    |           |                 |           |                  | 1.50<br>(0.20)           |                             | Firm orange brown mottled grey slightly sandy CLAY with a little fine medium sandstone gravel |                        |
|                   |     |      |           |                 |           |                  | 1.70                     |                             | <b>GAULT FORMATION</b>  |                        |
|                   |     |      |           |                 |           |                  | (0.30)                   |                             | Medium dense orange brown SAND with much fine medium coarse angular sandstone gravel          |                        |
|                   |     |      |           |                 |           |                  | 2.00                     |                             | <b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b>  |                        |



|                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <p><b>Trial Pit Dimensions</b></p> | <p>Date of logging: 14 December 2021</p> <p>Excavation plant: 3T excavator</p> <p>Pit stability: Stable</p> <p>Weather: Cold and dry</p> <p>Groundwater (strike): dry</p> <p>Groundwater (standing): dry</p> <p>Logged by: SD</p> <p>Checked by: MPB</p> |
|                                    | <p><b>General Remarks:</b></p>   |

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|                     |               |                             |
|---------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Date:               | February 2021 | <b>TRIAL PIT<br/>SA7</b>    |
| Ground Level :      |               |                             |
| Orientation:        | East-west     | Sheet 1 of 1                |
| Co-Ordinates (NGR): |               | Report No.<br><b>S.5632</b> |

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| <b>SITE LOCATION</b><br>Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon |

| SAMPLES AND TESTS |     |      |              |                       |              | water      | Reduced          | Depth                 | Legend | STRATA AND DESCRIPTION  |
|-------------------|-----|------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------|------------------|-----------------------|--------|---|
| Depth<br>metres   | No. | Type | PID<br>% v/v | Hand<br>pen'<br>kN/m2 | HSV<br>kN/m2 | depth<br>m | Level<br>m (AOD) | (thickness)<br>metres |        |   |
| 0.50              |     | D    |              |                       |              |            |                  | 0.40                  |        | Dark brown mottled greyish brown humic clayey SAND with some fine medium roots<br><b>TOPSOIL*</b> |
| 1.00              |     | B    |              |                       |              |            |                  | (0.90)                |        | Medium dense orange brown silty SAND and fine rare medium angular sandstone GRAVEL                |
|                   |     |      |              |                       |              |            |                  | 1.30                  |        | <b>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION</b>  |

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|------------------------------------|---|
| <p><b>Trial Pit Dimensions</b></p> | Date of logging: 14 December 2021<br>Excavation plant: 3T excavator<br>Pit stability: Stable<br>Weather: Cold and dry<br>Groundwater (strike): dry<br>Groundwater (standing): dry<br>Logged by: SD<br>Checked by: MPB |
|                                    | <p><b>General Remarks:</b></p> <p>* Topsoil was 0.40m depth along the west face but dropped down to 1.00m along the east face</p>   |

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|  |                      |                             |                            |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
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|---------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Date:               | February 2021 | <b>TRIAL PIT<br/>SA8</b>    |
| Ground Level :      |               |                             |
| Orientation:        | East-west     | Sheet 1 of 1                |
| Co-Ordinates (NGR): |               | Report No.<br><b>S.5632</b> |

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**SITE LOCATION**

Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

| SAMPLES AND TESTS |     |      |              |                       |              | water<br>depth<br>m | Reduced<br>Level<br>m (AOD) | Depth<br>(thickness)<br>metres | Legend   | STRATA AND DESCRIPTION |
|-------------------|-----|------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| Depth<br>metres   | No. | Type | PID<br>% v/v | Hand<br>pen'<br>kN/m2 | HSV<br>kN/m2 |                     |                             |                                |  |                        |
| 0.30              |     |      |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | Dark brown mottled greyish brown humic clayey SAND<br><b>TOPSOIL</b>   |                        |
| 0.50              |     | D    |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | Firm grey mottled medium grey sandy friable CLAY with a little medium coarse rounded flint gravel                            |                        |
| 1.00              |     | B    |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | Firm to stiff light brown and grey intact CLAY with pockets of light brown gravelly sand and a trace of rounded flint cobble |                        |
| 1.50              |     | B    |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | Loose to medium dense light brown slightly gravelly clayey SAND with pockets of cream brown and grey clayey sand             |                        |
| 2.00              |     | B    |              |                       |              |                     |                             |                                | <b>SUMMERTOWN-RADLEY SAND AND GRAVEL MEMBER</b>  |                        |



|                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <p><b>Trial Pit Dimensions</b></p> | <p>Date of logging: 14 December 2021</p> <p>Excavation plant: 3T excavator</p> <p>Pit stability: Stable</p> <p>Weather: Cold and dry</p> <p>Groundwater (strike): dry</p> <p>Groundwater (standing): dry</p> <p>Logged by: SD</p> <p>Checked by: MPB</p> |
|                                    | <p><b>General Remarks:</b></p>   |

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|  |                             |                              |                             |
|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
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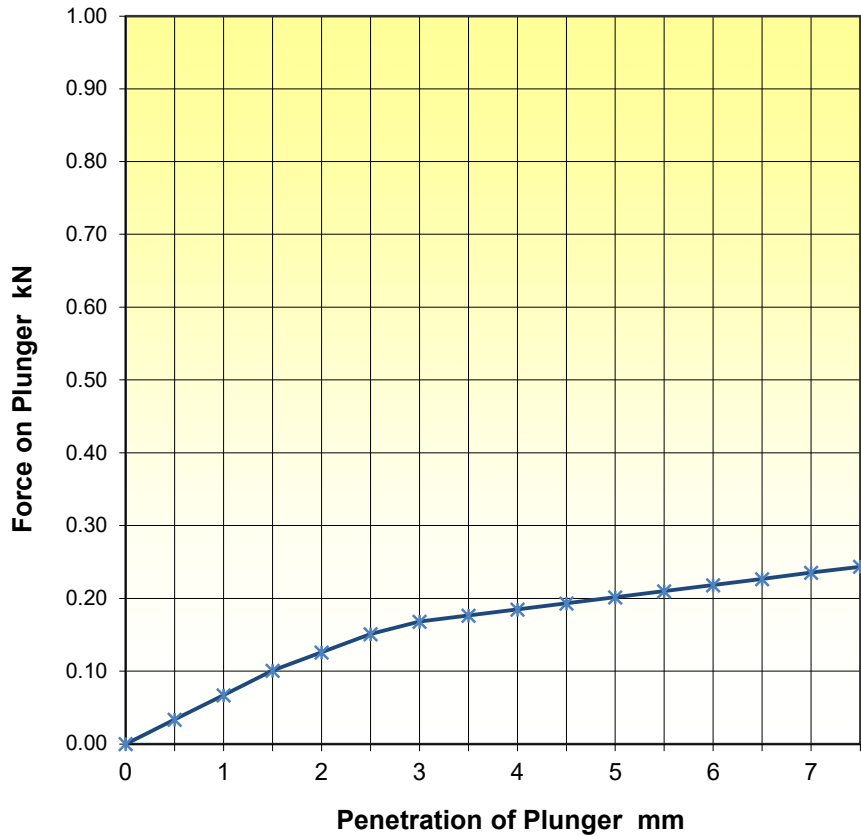












| Pen' of plunger<br>mm | Force on plunger |        |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------|
|                       | Load gauge       | kN     |
| 0                     | 0                | 0      |
| 0.5                   | 4                | 0.0336 |
| 1                     | 8                | 0.0672 |
| 1.5                   | 12               | 0.1008 |
| 2                     | 15               | 0.1008 |
| 2.5                   | 18               | 0.1512 |
| 3                     | 20               | 0.168  |
| 3.5                   | 21               | 0.1764 |
| 4                     | 22               | 0.1848 |
| 4.5                   | 23               | 0.1932 |
| 5                     | 24               | 0.2016 |
| 5.5                   | 25               | 0.21   |
| 6                     | 26               | 0.2184 |
| 6.5                   | 27               | 0.2268 |
| 7                     | 28               | 0.2352 |
| 7.5                   | 29               | 0.2436 |
|                       |                  |        |
|                       |                  |        |

| TEST SAMPLE DESCRIPTION (depth in m)                          |                |                 |                         |
|---|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 0.50 Dark brown silty fine humic SAND                         |                |                 |                         |
| Area of annulus of disc used                                  | 16216          | mm <sup>2</sup> | <b>CBR TEST RESULTS</b> |
| Mass of surcharge   | 4              | kg              |                         |
| Proving ring size   | 10kN           |                 |                         |
| Calibration of ring   | 8.4*           |                 |                         |
| * Proving ring calibration certificate KL01213 (0.0084kN/Div) |                |                 |                         |
| Water content   | 21             | %               | Penetration             |
| Plasticity Index  |                | %               | Force                   |
| Weather   | Mild with rain |                 | Standard Force          |
|   |                |                 | CBR                     |
|   |                |                 | mm                      |
|   |                |                 | kN                      |
|   |                |                 | kN                      |
|   |                |                 | %                       |
|   |                |                 | 2.5                     |
|   |                |                 | 0.15                    |
|   |                |                 | 13.2                    |
|   |                |                 | 1.1                     |
|   |                |                 | 5.0                     |
|   |                |                 | 0.20                    |
|   |                |                 | 20.0                    |
|   |                |                 | 1.0                     |
| <b>ACCEPTED CBR ..1 %</b>                                     |                |                 |                         |

Remarks:

Test No.                      CBR A    Depth below existing GL:    0.50m

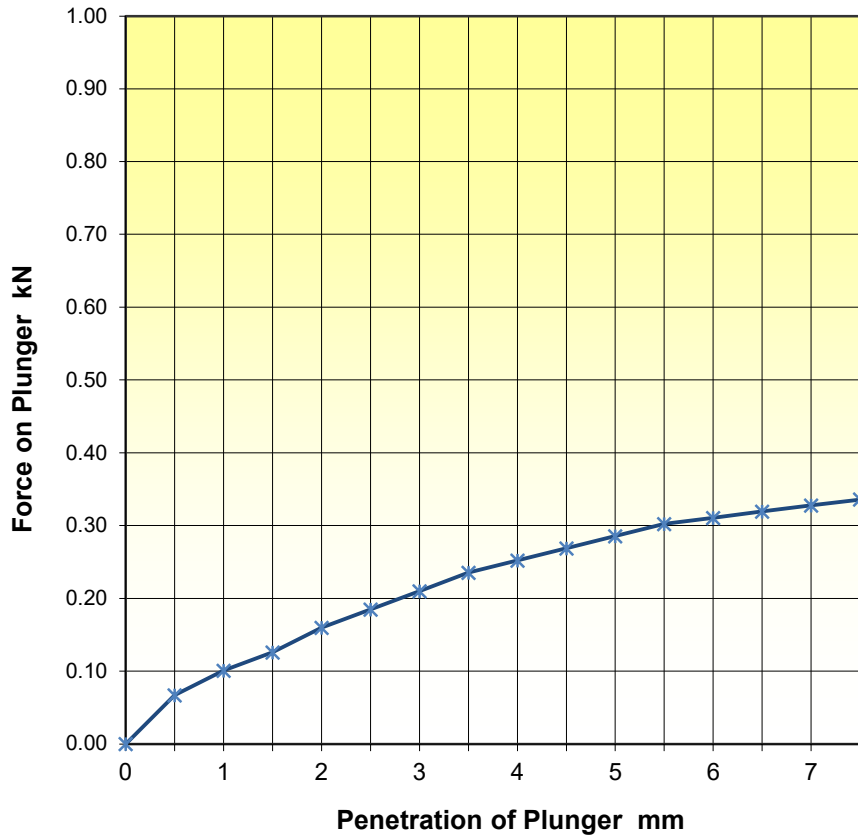
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LOCATION:                      Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

DATE OF TEST:              15 December 2020

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Part 9 1990 - Method 4.3  
Determination of the in-situ  
California Bearing Ratio (CBR)

\* proving ring calibration



| Pen' of plunger<br>mm | Force on plunger |        |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------|
|                       | Load gauge       | kN     |
| 0                     | 0                | 0      |
| 0.5                   | 8                | 0.0672 |
| 1                     | 12               | 0.1008 |
| 1.5                   | 15               | 0.126  |
| 2                     | 19               | 0.126  |
| 2.5                   | 22               | 0.1848 |
| 3                     | 25               | 0.21   |
| 3.5                   | 28               | 0.2352 |
| 4                     | 30               | 0.252  |
| 4.5                   | 32               | 0.2688 |
| 5                     | 34               | 0.2856 |
| 5.5                   | 36               | 0.3024 |
| 6                     | 37               | 0.3108 |
| 6.5                   | 38               | 0.3192 |
| 7                     | 39               | 0.3276 |
| 7.5                   | 40               | 0.336  |
|                       |                  |        |
|                       |                  |        |
|                       |                  |        |

| TEST SAMPLE DESCRIPTION (depth in m)                          |                |                 |                         |
|---|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 0.50 Dark brown silty fine humic SAND                         |                |                 |                         |
| Area of annulus of disc used                                  | 16216          | mm <sup>2</sup> | <b>CBR TEST RESULTS</b> |
| Mass of surcharge   | 4              | kg              |                         |
| Proving ring size   | 10kN           |                 |                         |
| Calibration of ring   | 8.4*           |                 |                         |
| * Proving ring calibration certificate KL01213 (0.0084kN/Div) |                |                 |                         |
| Water content   | 19             | %               | Penetration<br>mm       |
| Plasticity Index  |                | %               | Force<br>kN             |
| Weather   | Mild with rain |                 | Standard<br>Force<br>kN |
|   |                |                 | CBR<br>%                |
|   |                |                 | 2.5                     |
|   |                |                 | 0.18                    |
|   |                |                 | 13.2                    |
|   |                |                 | 1.4                     |
|   |                |                 | 5.0                     |
|   |                |                 | 0.29                    |
|   |                |                 | 20.0                    |
|   |                |                 | 1.4                     |
| <b>ACCEPTED CBR ..1 %</b>                                     |                |                 |                         |

Remarks:

Test No.                      **CBR B**    Depth below existing GL:    **0.50m**

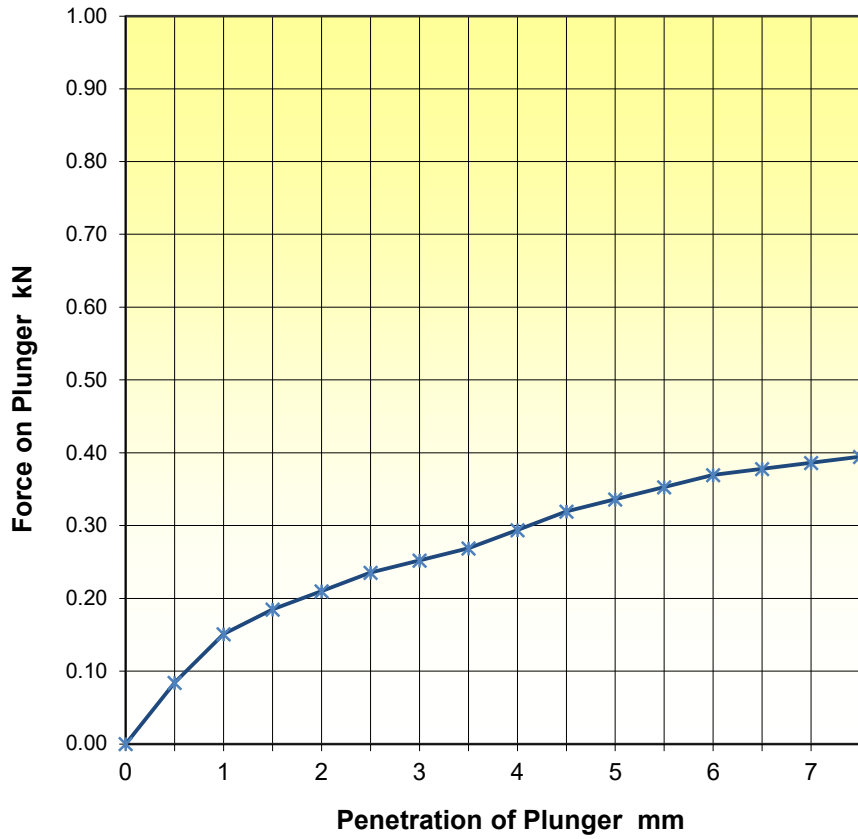
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**LOCATION:**                      **Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon**

**DATE OF TEST:**            **15 December 2020**

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California Bearing Ratio (CBR)

\* proving ring calibration



| Pen' of plunger<br>mm | Force on plunger |        |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------|
|                       | Load gauge       | kN     |
| 0                     | 0                | 0      |
| 0.5                   | 10               | 0.084  |
| 1                     | 18               | 0.1512 |
| 1.5                   | 22               | 0.1848 |
| 2                     | 25               | 0.1848 |
| 2.5                   | 28               | 0.2352 |
| 3                     | 30               | 0.252  |
| 3.5                   | 32               | 0.2688 |
| 4                     | 35               | 0.294  |
| 4.5                   | 38               | 0.3192 |
| 5                     | 40               | 0.336  |
| 5.5                   | 42               | 0.3528 |
| 6                     | 44               | 0.3696 |
| 6.5                   | 45               | 0.378  |
| 7                     | 46               | 0.3864 |
| 7.5                   | 47               | 0.3948 |
|                       |                  |        |
|                       |                  |        |
|                       |                  |        |

| TEST SAMPLE DESCRIPTION (depth in m)                          |                |                 |                         |
|---|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 0.50 Light brown and brown silty slightly clayey fine SAND    |                |                 |                         |
| Area of annulus of disc used                                  | 16216          | mm <sup>2</sup> | <b>CBR TEST RESULTS</b> |
| Mass of surcharge   | 4              | kg              |                         |
| Proving ring size   | 10kN           |                 |                         |
| Calibration of ring   | 8.4*           |                 |                         |
| * Proving ring calibration certificate KL01213 (0.0084kN/Div) |                |                 |                         |
| Water content   | 18             | %               | Penetration             |
| Plasticity Index  | 11             | %               | Force                   |
| Weather   | Mild with rain |                 | Standard Force          |
|   |                |                 | CBR                     |
|   |                |                 | mm                      |
|   |                |                 | kN                      |
|   |                |                 | kN                      |
|   |                |                 | %                       |
|   |                |                 | 2.5                     |
|   |                |                 | 0.24                    |
|   |                |                 | 13.2                    |
|   |                |                 | 1.8                     |
|   |                |                 | 5.0                     |
|   |                |                 | 0.34                    |
|   |                |                 | 20.0                    |
|   |                |                 | 1.7                     |
| <b>ACCEPTED CBR ..2 %</b>                                     |                |                 |                         |

Remarks:

Test No.                      CBR C    Depth below existing GL:    0.50m

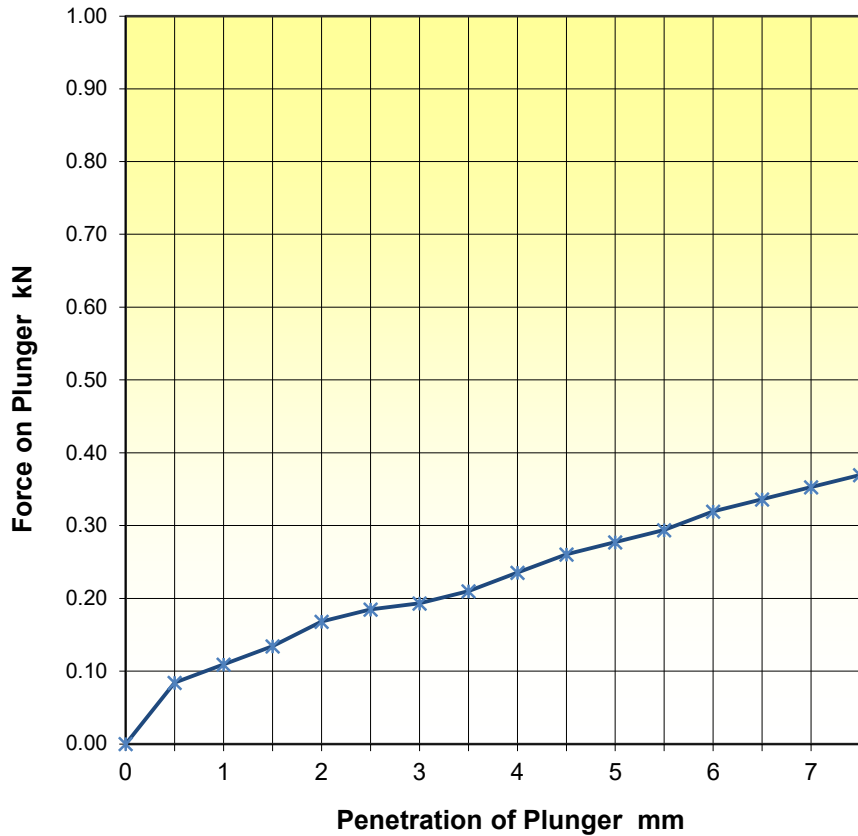
CLIENT:                      Thomas Homes Ltd

LOCATION:                      Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

DATE OF TEST:              15 December 2020

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California Bearing Ratio (CBR)  
  
\* proving ring calibration





| Pen' of plunger | Force on plunger |        |
|-----------------|------------------|--------|
| mm              | Load gauge       | kN     |
| 0               | 0                | 0      |
| 0.5             | 10               | 0.084  |
| 1               | 13               | 0.1092 |
| 1.5             | 16               | 0.1344 |
| 2               | 20               | 0.1344 |
| 2.5             | 22               | 0.1848 |
| 3               | 23               | 0.1932 |
| 3.5             | 25               | 0.21   |
| 4               | 28               | 0.2352 |
| 4.5             | 31               | 0.2604 |
| 5               | 33               | 0.2772 |
| 5.5             | 35               | 0.294  |
| 6               | 38               | 0.3192 |
| 6.5             | 40               | 0.336  |
| 7               | 42               | 0.3528 |
| 7.5             | 44               | 0.3696 |
|                 |                  |        |
|                 |                  |        |
|                 |                  |        |

| TEST SAMPLE DESCRIPTION (depth in m)                          |                |                 |  |                           |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
|---|----------------|-----------------|--|---------------------------|--|--|--|-------------|-------|----------------|-----|----|----|----|---|-----|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|-----|
| 0.50 Medium brown and brown gravelly CLAY                     |                |                 |  |                           |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Area of annulus of disc used                                  | 16216          | mm <sup>2</sup> | <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="4">CBR TEST RESULTS</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Penetration</th> <th>Force</th> <th>Standard Force</th> <th>CBR</th> </tr> <tr> <th>mm</th> <th>kN</th> <th>kN</th> <th>%</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2.5</td> <td>0.18</td> <td>13.2</td> <td>1.4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5.0</td> <td>0.28</td> <td>20.0</td> <td>1.4</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | CBR TEST RESULTS          |  |  |  | Penetration | Force | Standard Force | CBR | mm | kN | kN | % | 2.5 | 0.18 | 13.2 | 1.4 | 5.0 | 0.28 | 20.0 | 1.4 |
| CBR TEST RESULTS  |                |                 |  |                           |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Penetration   | Force          | Standard Force  |  | CBR                       |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| mm  | kN             | kN              |  | %                         |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| 2.5   | 0.18           | 13.2            |  | 1.4                       |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| 5.0   | 0.28           | 20.0            |  | 1.4                       |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Mass of surcharge   | 4              | kg              |  |                           |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Proving ring size   | 10kN           |                 |  |                           |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Calibration of ring   | 8.4*           |                 |  |                           |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| * Proving ring calibration certificate KL01213 (0.0084kN/Div) |                |                 |  |                           |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Water content   | 25             | %               |  |                           |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Plasticity Index  | 16             | %               |  |                           |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Weather   | Mild with rain |                 | <table border="1"> <tr> <td><b>ACCEPTED CBR ..1 %</b></td> </tr> </table>  | <b>ACCEPTED CBR ..1 %</b> |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| <b>ACCEPTED CBR ..1 %</b>                                     |                |                 |  |                           |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |

Remarks:

Test No.                      CBR D    Depth below existing GL:    0.50m

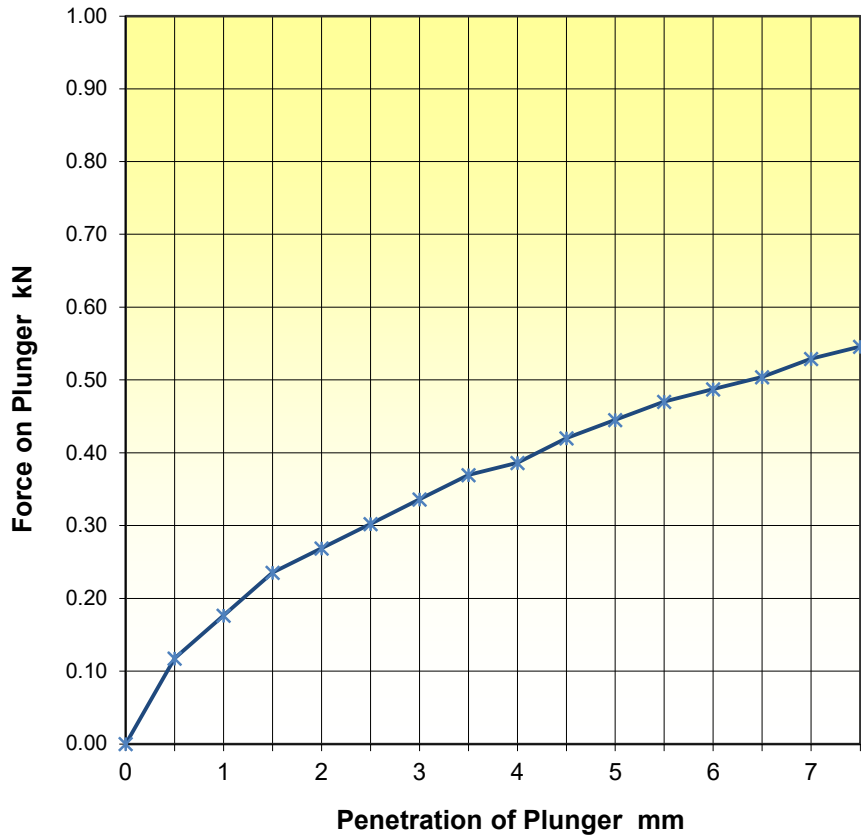
CLIENT:                      Thomas Homes Ltd

LOCATION:                      Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

DATE OF TEST:            15 December 2020

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\* proving ring calibration





| Pen' of plunger<br>mm | Force on plunger |       |
|-----------------------|------------------|-------|
|                       | Load gauge       | kN    |
| 0                     | 0                | 0     |
| 0.5                   | 14               | 0.118 |
| 1                     | 21               | 0.176 |
| 1.5                   | 28               | 0.235 |
| 2                     | 32               | 0.235 |
| 2.5                   | 36               | 0.302 |
| 3                     | 40               | 0.336 |
| 3.5                   | 44               | 0.370 |
| 4                     | 46               | 0.386 |
| 4.5                   | 50               | 0.420 |
| 5                     | 53               | 0.445 |
| 5.5                   | 56               | 0.470 |
| 6                     | 58               | 0.487 |
| 6.5                   | 60               | 0.504 |
| 7                     | 63               | 0.529 |
| 7.5                   | 65               | 0.546 |
|                       |                  |       |
|                       |                  |       |
|                       |                  |       |

| TEST SAMPLE DESCRIPTION (depth in m)                             |                |                 |  |                  |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
|--|----------------|-----------------|--|------------------|--|--|--|-------------|-------|----------------|-----|----|----|----|---|-----|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|-----|
| 0.50 Firm orange brown mottled brown slightly sandy friable CLAY |                |                 |  |                  |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Area of annulus of disc used                                     | 16216          | mm <sup>2</sup> | <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="4">CBR TEST RESULTS</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Penetration</th> <th>Force</th> <th>Standard Force</th> <th>CBR</th> </tr> <tr> <th>mm</th> <th>kN</th> <th>kN</th> <th>%</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2.5</td> <td>0.30</td> <td>13.2</td> <td>2.3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5.0</td> <td>0.45</td> <td>20.0</td> <td>2.2</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | CBR TEST RESULTS |  |  |  | Penetration | Force | Standard Force | CBR | mm | kN | kN | % | 2.5 | 0.30 | 13.2 | 2.3 | 5.0 | 0.45 | 20.0 | 2.2 |
| CBR TEST RESULTS   |                |                 |  |                  |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Penetration  | Force          | Standard Force  |  | CBR              |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| mm   | kN             | kN              |  | %                |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| 2.5  | 0.30           | 13.2            |  | 2.3              |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| 5.0  | 0.45           | 20.0            |  | 2.2              |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Mass of surcharge  | 4              | kg              |  |                  |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Proving ring size  | 10kN           |                 |  |                  |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Calibration of ring  | 8.4*           |                 |  |                  |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| * Proving ring calibration certificate KL01213 (0.0084kN/Div)    |                |                 |  |                  |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Water content  | 21             | %               |  |                  |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Plasticity Index   | 16             | %               |  |                  |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |
| Weather  | Mild with rain |                 |  |                  |  |  |  |             |       |                |     |    |    |    |   |     |      |      |     |     |      |      |     |

**ACCEPTED CBR ..2 %**

Remarks:

Test No.                      CBR F    Depth below existing GL:    0.50m

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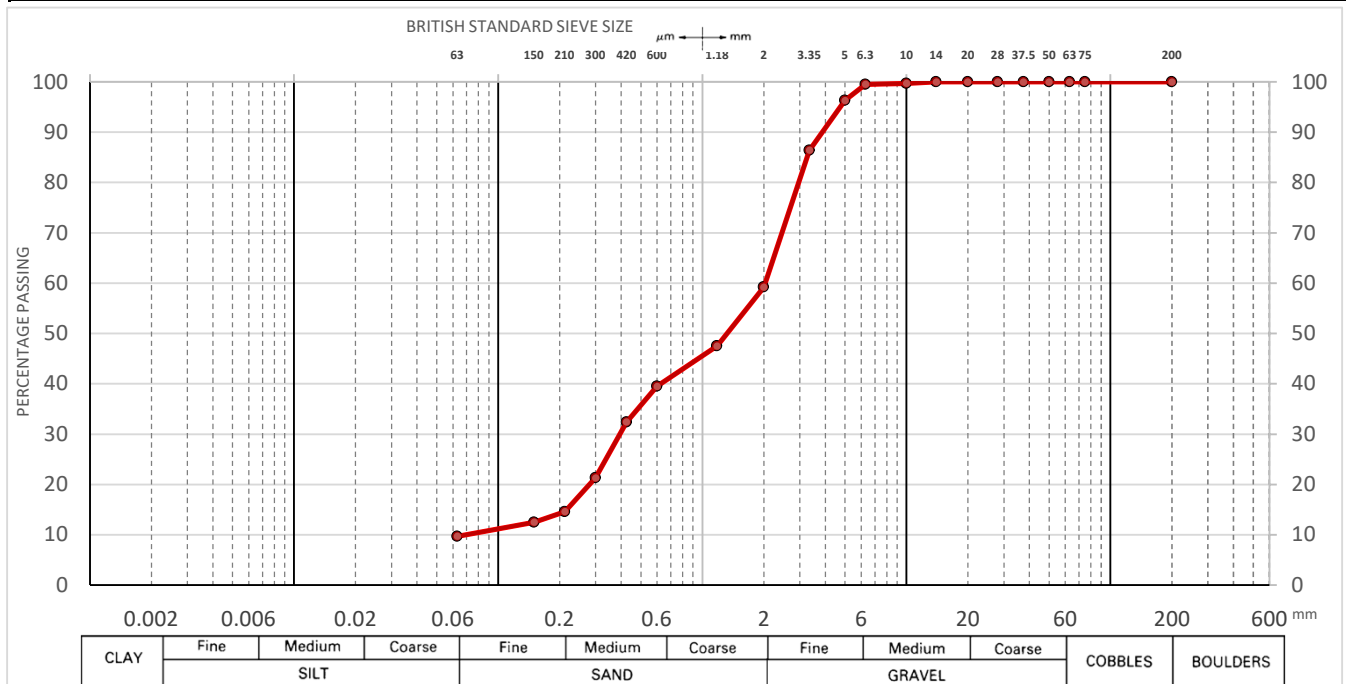
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DATE OF TEST:            15 December 2020

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\* proving ring calibration

| Ref No.   | Sample |   | Moisture content | Liquid Limit | Plastic Limit           | Plasticity Index                         | Plasticity Index (Adjusted) | Mass Passing 425µm                                | Shrinkage potential NHBC Guidelines | Classification BS 1377-Part 2: 1990 | Sample Description  |
|---|--------|---|------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
|   | Depth  | m |                  |              |                         |  |                             |   |                                     |                                     |                     |
| BH4   | 1.00   |   | 29               | 70           | 34                      | 36                                       | 36                          | 100   | M                                   | CH/CV                               | Clay                |
| BH4   | 2.00   |   | 22               | 64           | 33                      | 31                                       | 29                          | 95  | M                                   | CH                                  | Clay                |
| BH5   | 0.50   |   | 23               | 51           | 28                      | 23                                       | 23                          | 100   | M                                   | CH                                  | Clay                |
| BH5   | 1.00   |   | 31               | 75           | 31                      | 44                                       | 44                          | 100   | H                                   | CV                                  | Clay                |
| BH6   | 1.00   |   | 12               | 30           | 20                      | 10                                       | 9                           | 85  | N                                   | CL                                  | Silty sand          |
| CBR A   | 0.50   |   | 21               |              |                         |  |                             |   |                                     |                                     | Silty sand          |
| CBR B   | 0.50   |   | 19               |              |                         |  |                             |   |                                     |                                     | Silty sand          |
| CBR C   | 0.50   |   | 18               | 30           | 19                      | 11                                       | 11                          | 97  | L                                   | CL                                  | Silty sand          |
| CBR D   | 0.50   |   | 25               | 43           | 27                      | 16                                       | 15                          | 92  | L                                   | CI                                  | Sandy clay          |
| CBR E   | 0.50   |   | 24               | 44           | 27                      | 17                                       | 11                          | 65  | L                                   | CI                                  | Sandy gravelly cly  |
| CBR F   | 0.50   |   | 21               | 43           | 27                      | 16                                       | 14                          | 85  | L                                   | CI                                  | Sandy gravelly clay |
| <b>REMARKS:</b>   |        |   |                  |              | CL                      | Inorganic CLAY low plasticity            | ML                          | Inorganic SILT low compressibility                |                                     |                                     |                     |
|   |        |   |                  |              | CI                      | Inorganic CLAY medium plasticity         | MI                          | Inorganic SILT medium compressibility             |                                     |                                     |                     |
|   |        |   |                  |              | CH                      | Inorganic CLAY high plasticity           | MH                          | Inorganic SILT high compressibility               |                                     |                                     |                     |
|   |        |   |                  |              | CV                      | Inorganic CLAY very high plasticity      | MV                          | Inorganic SILT very high compressibility          |                                     |                                     |                     |
|   |        |   |                  |              | CE                      | Inorganic CLAY extremely high plasticity | ME                          | Inorganic SILT extremely high compressibility     |                                     |                                     |                     |
|   |        |   |                  |              | N                       | Non shrinkage Potential                  | (O)                         | Organic matter                                    |                                     |                                     |                     |
|   |        |   |                  |              | L                       | Low shrinkage Potential                  |                             |   |                                     |                                     |                     |
|   |        |   |                  |              | M                       | Medium shrinkage Potential               |                             |   |                                     |                                     |                     |
|   |        |   |                  |              | H                       | High shrinkage Potential                 |                             |   |                                     |                                     |                     |
| <b>CLIENT: Thomas Homes</b>   |        |   |                  |              |                         |  |                             | (BS EN ISO 17892-12 : Clauses 5.3 and 5.5 : 2018) |                                     |                                     |                     |
| <b>SITE: Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon</b>  |        |   |                  |              |                         |  |                             | Natural water content                             |                                     |                                     |                     |
| <b>Ref:</b>   |        |   |                  |              |                         |  |                             | Liquid limit - cone penetrometer                  |                                     |                                     |                     |
| <b>DATE: February 2021</b>  |        |   |                  |              |                         |  |                             | method (definitive method)                        |                                     |                                     |                     |
|   |        |   |                  |              |                         |  |                             | Plastic limit and plasticity index                |                                     |                                     |                     |
| Ground Investigation Services (Southern) Ltd<br>40 Home Close, Wootton OX13 6DD<br>Tel 01865 326011 |        |   |                  |              | <b>INDEX PROPERTIES</b> |  |                             |   |                                     | Report No.                          | <b>Table</b>        |
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| Soil description or classification   | Sieving       |            | Sedimentation |           | Percentage particle sizes |      |      |        |         |
|--|---------------|------------|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|------|------|--------|---------|
|  | Preparation   | Mass<br>kg | Pre-treatment | Mass<br>g | Clay                      | Silt | Sand | Gravel | Cobbles |
| Orange brown silty fine medium coarse SAND<br>and fine gravel<br>LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION | oven<br>dried | 1.56       |               |           | 10                        |      | 50   | 40     | 0       |



| BS Test Sieve size mm         | Mass Retained % | Total Passing % |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 200                           | 0               | 100             |
| 75                            | 0               | 100             |
| 63                            | 0               | 100             |
| 50                            | 0               | 100             |
| 37.5                          | 0               | 100             |
| 28                            | 0               | 100             |
| 20                            | 0               | 100             |
| 14                            | 0               | 100             |
| 10                            | 0.3             | 99.7            |
| 6.3                           | 0.2             | 99.5            |
| 5                             | 3.2             | 96.3            |
| 3.35                          | 9.9             | 86.4            |
| 2                             | 27.2            | 59.2            |
| 1.18                          | 11.7            | 47.5            |
| <b>Microns</b>                |                 |                 |
| 600                           | 8               | 39.5            |
| 425                           | 7.1             | 32.4            |
| 300                           | 11.1            | 21.3            |
| 212                           | 6.7             | 14.6            |
| 150                           | 2.1             | 12.5            |
| 63                            | 2.8             | 9.7             |
| Passing 63                    | 10              |                 |
| <b>Sedimentation Analysis</b> |                 |                 |
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\* Tested in accordance with the following clauses of BS EN ISO 17892-4:2016: Clause 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4 Particle Size Distribution

5.2\* Wet sieve  
5.3 Sedimentation by hydrometer  
5.4 Sedimentation by pipette

Borehole No. One  
Sample No. 1  
Depth: 1.00m  
Date of testing: 07 January 2021

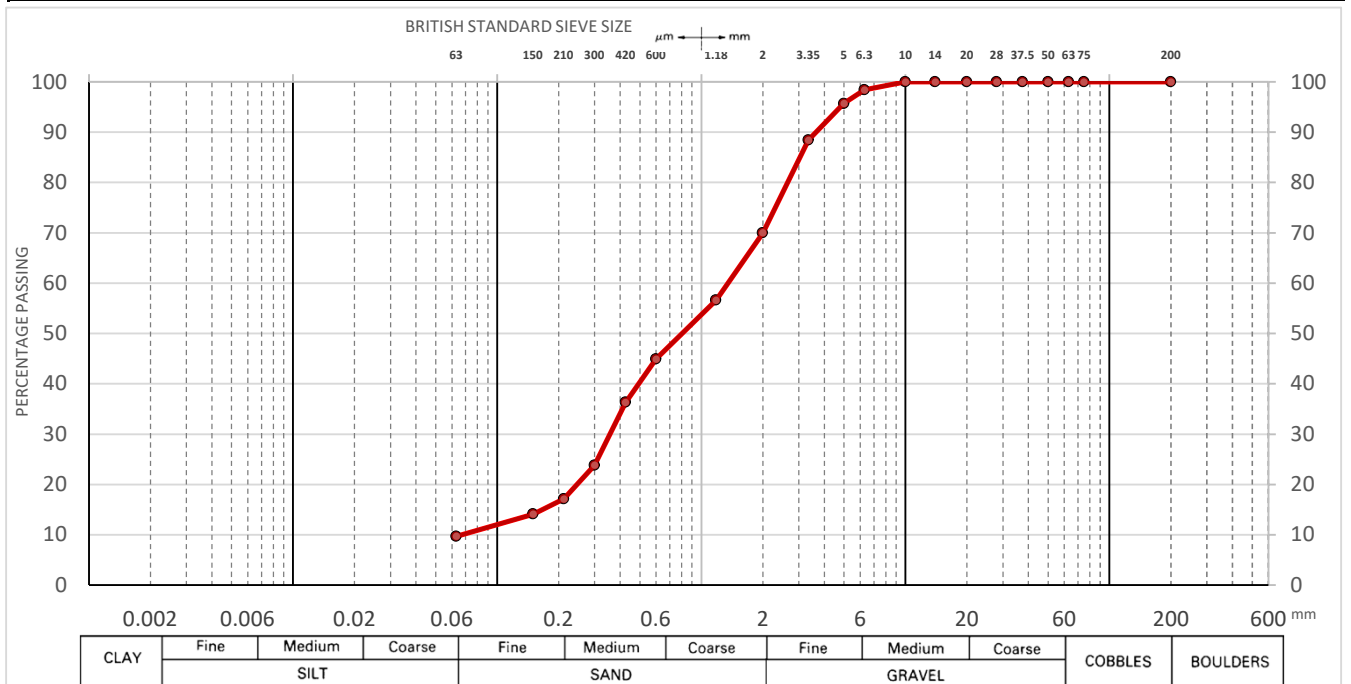
**GRADING CLASSIFICATION:**  
coefficient of curvature  $C_c = n/a$  **NARROW-GAP GRADED**  
uniformity coefficient  $C_u = n/a$

|                             |                              |                                |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Drawn by<br><i>P. Budge</i> | Checked by<br><i>J. Hill</i> | Approved by<br><i>P. Budge</i> |
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| <b>SITE:</b> Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon |  |                             |                  |
| <b>Date:</b> February 2021                 |  |                             |                  |
| GIS (Southern) Ltd                         | <b>PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION</b>  | <b>Report No.</b><br>S.5632 | <b>Fig</b><br>B1 |



| Soil description or classification  | Sieving     |            | Sedimentation |           | Percentage particle sizes |      |      |        |         |
|---|-------------|------------|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|------|------|--------|---------|
|   | Preparation | Mass<br>kg | Pre-treatment | Mass<br>g | Clay                      | Silt | Sand | Gravel | Cobbles |
| Brown silty very gravelly fine medium coarse SAND. Gravel is fine rare medium sandstone LOWER GREENSAND FORMATION | oven dried  | 0.95       |               |           | 10                        |      | 60   | 30     | 0       |



| BS Test Sieve size mm         | Mass Retained % | Total Passing % |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 200                           | 0               | 100             |
| 75                            | 0               | 100             |
| 63                            | 0               | 100             |
| 50                            | 0               | 100             |
| 37.5                          | 0               | 100             |
| 28                            | 0               | 100             |
| 20                            | 0               | 100             |
| 14                            | 0               | 100             |
| 10                            | 0               | 100             |
| 6.3                           | 1.6             | 98.4            |
| 5                             | 2.7             | 95.7            |
| 3.35                          | 7.3             | 88.4            |
| 2                             | 18.4            | 70              |
| 1.18                          | 13.4            | 56.6            |
| <b>Microns</b>                |                 |                 |
| 600                           | 11.7            | 44.9            |
| 425                           | 8.6             | 36.3            |
| 300                           | 12.5            | 23.8            |
| 212                           | 6.7             | 17.1            |
| 150                           | 3               | 14.1            |
| 63                            | 4.4             | 9.7             |
| Passing 63                    | 9.8             |                 |
| <b>Sedimentation Analysis</b> |                 |                 |
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5.2\* Wet sieve  
5.3 Sedimentation by hydrometer  
5.4 Sedimentation by pipette

Borehole No. Three  
Sample No. 1  
Depth: 1.00m  
Date of testing: 07 January 2021

**GRADING CLASSIFICATION:**  
coefficient of curvature  $C_c = n/a$  **NARROW-GAP GRADED**  
uniformity coefficient  $C_u = n/a$

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Drawn by<br><i>P. B. Jones</i> | Checked by<br><i>J. H. ...</i> | Approved by<br><i>P. B. Jones</i> |
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| <b>SITE:</b> Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon |   |
| <b>Date:</b> February 2021                 |   |

|                    |                                   |                             |                  |
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| GIS (Southern) Ltd | <b>PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION</b> | <b>Report No.</b><br>S.5632 | <b>Fig</b><br>B3 |
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|------------------------|---|
| Sample A – 0.10 depth  | Dark brown clayey humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel<br>TOPSOIL                            |
| Sample B – 0.10m depth | Dark brown silty humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel<br>TOPSOIL                             |
| Sample C – 0.20m depth | Dark brown clayey humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel<br>TOPSOIL                            |
| Sample D – 0.10m depth | Dark brown clayey humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel and fine medium roots<br>TOPSOIL      |
| Sample E – 0.15m depth | Brown silty humic SAND with a little fine gravel<br>TOPSOIL   |
| Sample F – 0.10m depth | Dark brown silty humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel<br>TOPSOIL                             |
| Sample G – 0.15m depth | Dark brown clayey humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel<br>TOPSOIL                            |
| Sample H – 0.10m depth | Dark brown clayey humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel and a trace of red brick<br>TOPSOIL   |
| Sample J – 0.10m depth | Dark brown clayey humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel and some fine medium roots<br>TOPSOIL |
| Sample K – 0.10m depth | Dark brown clayey humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel and some fine medium roots<br>TOPSOIL |
| Sample L – 0.10m depth | Dark brown clayey humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel and some fine medium roots<br>TOPSOIL |
| Sample M – 0.15m depth | Brown silty humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel<br>TOPSOIL                                  |
| Sample N – 0.10m depth | Dark brown clayey humic SAND with a little fine medium gravel and some fine medium roots<br>TOPSOIL |

**CLIENT:** Thomas Homes Ltd

**SITE:** Land at Clifton Hampden, Oxon

**Date:** February 2021

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**CONTAMINATION SAMPLE DESCRIPTIONS**

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## Ground Investigation Services

40 Home Close  
Wooton  
Oxon  
OX13 6DD



**Attention :** Martyn Boughton  
**Date :** 8th January, 2021  
**Your reference :**  
**Our reference :** Test Report 20/18438 Batch 1  
**Location :** Clifton Hampden  
**Date samples received :** 30th December, 2020  
**Status :** Final report  
**Issue :** 1

Twenty five samples were received for analysis on 30th December, 2020 of which twenty five were scheduled for analysis. Please find attached our Test Report which should be read with notes at the end of the report and should include all sections if reproduced. Interpretations and opinions are outside the scope of any accreditation, and all results relate only to samples supplied. All analysis is carried out on as received samples and reported on a dry weight basis unless stated otherwise. Results are not surrogate corrected.

**Authorised By:****Phil Sommerton BSc**

Senior Project Manager

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# Element Materials Technology

Client Name: Ground Investigation Services  
 Reference:  
 Location: Clifton Hampden  
 Contact: Martyn Boughton  
 EMT Job No: 20/18438

Report : Solid  
 Solids: V=60g VOC jar, J=250g glass jar, T=plastic tub

| EMT Sample No.            | 1          | 2          | 3          | 4          | 5          | 6          | 7          | 8          | 9          | 10         | Please see attached notes for all abbreviations and acronyms |       |            |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--|-------|------------|
| Sample ID                 | A          | B          | C          | D          | E          | F          | G          | H          | J          | K          |  |       |            |
| Depth                     | 0.10       | 0.10       | 0.20       | 0.10       | 0.15       | 0.10       | 0.15       | 0.10       | 0.10       | 0.10       |  |       |            |
| COC No / misc             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |  |       |            |
| Containers                | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          |  |       |            |
| Sample Date               | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 |  |       |            |
| Sample Type               | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       |  |       |            |
| Batch Number              | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          |  |       |            |
| Date of Receipt           | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | LOD/LOR  | Units | Method No. |
| Arsenic #                 | 34.4       | 35.5       | 36.6       | 40.5       | 41.9       | 31.6       | 35.7       | 36.5       | 31.3       | 38.1       | <0.5   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| Beryllium                 | 1.9        | 1.9        | 1.9        | 2.1        | 1.9        | 1.9        | 1.9        | 2.0        | 1.7        | 2.4        | <0.5   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| Cadmium #                 | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | 0.2        | 0.1        | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| Chromium #                | 88.9       | 87.8       | 94.7       | 94.6       | 80.2       | 87.0       | 88.1       | 96.5       | 102.7      | 114.3      | <0.5   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| Copper #                  | 21         | 50         | 17         | 18         | 25         | 30         | 28         | 21         | 17         | 20         | <1   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| Lead #                    | 88         | 69         | 63         | 51         | 226        | 99         | 105        | 75         | 45         | 73         | <5   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| Mercury #                 | 0.2        | <0.1       | 0.2        | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | 0.2        | <0.1       | 0.2        | <0.1   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| Nickel #                  | 23.7       | 24.6       | 24.2       | 28.2       | 27.0       | 24.8       | 26.0       | 27.5       | 24.0       | 29.6       | <0.7   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| Selenium #                | 2          | 2          | 3          | 2          | 2          | 2          | 2          | 3          | <1         | 1          | <1   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| Sulphur as S              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <0.01  | %     | TM30/PM15  |
| Total Sulphate as SO4 BRE | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <0.01  | %     | TM50/PM29  |
| Vanadium                  | 137        | 149        | 155        | 168        | 141        | 136        | 135        | 169        | 140        | 180        | <1   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| Water Soluble Boron #     | 2.0        | 2.0        | 1.7        | 2.2        | 1.8        | 3.0        | 3.5        | 3.4        | 1.7        | 1.6        | <0.1   | mg/kg | TM74/PM32  |
| Zinc #                    | 109        | 113        | 105        | 117        | 143        | 165        | 199        | 152        | 101        | 128        | <5   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |
| PAH MS                    |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |  |       |            |
| Naphthalene #             | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Acenaphthylene            | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | 0.05       | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Acenaphthene #            | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Fluorene #                | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Phenanthrene #            | <0.03      | 0.07       | <0.03      | <0.03      | 0.09       | 0.18       | 0.09       | 0.04       | <0.03      | 0.05       | <0.03  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Anthracene #              | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | 0.05       | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Fluoranthene #            | 0.04       | 0.22       | 0.05       | 0.08       | 0.18       | 0.70       | 0.24       | 0.08       | 0.08       | 0.15       | <0.03  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Pyrene #                  | 0.04       | 0.21       | 0.05       | 0.08       | 0.15       | 0.64       | 0.20       | 0.07       | 0.07       | 0.12       | <0.03  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Benzo(a)anthracene #      | <0.06      | 0.16       | <0.06      | 0.09       | 0.11       | 0.47       | 0.16       | 0.08       | <0.06      | 0.12       | <0.06  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Chrysene #                | 0.02       | 0.16       | 0.04       | 0.06       | 0.13       | 0.49       | 0.16       | 0.05       | 0.06       | 0.11       | <0.02  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene #    | <0.07      | 0.24       | <0.07      | 0.13       | 0.26       | 0.90       | 0.25       | 0.09       | 0.11       | 0.16       | <0.07  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Benzo(a)pyrene #          | <0.04      | 0.16       | <0.04      | <0.04      | 0.11       | 0.38       | 0.14       | 0.05       | 0.05       | 0.06       | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Indeno(123cd)pyrene       | <0.04      | 0.10       | <0.04      | <0.04      | 0.10       | 0.33       | 0.09       | <0.04      | <0.04      | 0.06       | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Dibenzo(ah)anthracene #   | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | 0.06       | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Benzo(ghi)perylene #      | <0.04      | 0.10       | <0.04      | <0.04      | 0.10       | 0.33       | 0.09       | <0.04      | <0.04      | 0.05       | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| PAH 16 Total              | <0.6       | 1.4        | <0.6       | <0.6       | 1.2        | 4.6        | 1.4        | <0.6       | <0.6       | 0.9        | <0.6   | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene      | <0.05      | 0.17       | <0.05      | 0.09       | 0.19       | 0.65       | 0.18       | 0.06       | 0.08       | 0.12       | <0.05  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene      | <0.02      | 0.07       | <0.02      | 0.04       | 0.07       | 0.25       | 0.07       | 0.03       | 0.03       | 0.04       | <0.02  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |
| PAH Surrogate % Recovery  | 94         | 93         | 86         | 84         | 94         | 83         | 89         | 98         | 88         | 89         | <0   | %     | TM4/PM8    |

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| EMT Sample No.                     | 1          | 2          | 3          | 4          | 5          | 6          | 7          | 8          | 9          | 10         | Please see attached notes for all abbreviations and acronyms |          |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--|----------|------------|
| Sample ID                          | A          | B          | C          | D          | E          | F          | G          | H          | J          | K          |  |          |            |
| Depth                              | 0.10       | 0.10       | 0.20       | 0.10       | 0.15       | 0.10       | 0.15       | 0.10       | 0.10       | 0.10       |  |          |            |
| COC No / misc                      |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |  |          |            |
| Containers                         | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          |  |          |            |
| Sample Date                        | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 |  |          |            |
| Sample Type                        | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       |  |          |            |
| Batch Number                       | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          |  |          |            |
| Date of Receipt                    | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | LOD/LOR  | Units    | Method No. |
| <b>Pesticides</b>                  |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |  |          |            |
| <b>Organochlorine Pesticides</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |  |          |            |
| Aldrin                             | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Alpha-HCH (BHC)                    | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Beta-HCH (BHC)                     | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Delta-HCH (BHC)                    | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Dieldrin                           | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Endosulphan I                      | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Endosulphan II                     | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Endosulphan sulphate               | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Endrin                             | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Gamma-HCH (BHC)                    | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Heptachlor                         | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Heptachlor Epoxide                 | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| p,p'-DDE                           | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| p,p'-DDT                           | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| p,p'-TDE                           | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Total Methoxychlor                 | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| <b>Organophosphorus Pesticides</b> |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |  |          |            |
| Azinphos methyl                    | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Diazinon                           | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Dichlorvos                         | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Disulfoton                         | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Ethion                             | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Ethyl Parathion (Parathion)        | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Fenitrothion                       | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Malathion                          | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Methyl Parathion                   | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Mevinphos                          | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10  | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| <b>Triazine Herbicides</b>         |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |  |          |            |
| Atrazine                           | -          | -          | <100       | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <100   | ug/kg    | TM39/PM8   |
| Simazine                           | -          | -          | <200       | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <200   | ug/kg    | TM39/PM8   |
| Natural Moisture Content           | 23.8       | 21.9       | 23.6       | 25.6       | 22.7       | 28.1       | 31.5       | 35.2       | 20.7       | 21.2       | <0.1   | %        | PM4/PM0    |
| Hexavalent Chromium #              | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3   | mg/kg    | TM38/PM20  |
| Sulphate as SO4 (2:1 Ext) #        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <0.0015  | g/l      | TM38/PM20  |
| Organic Matter                     | 3.9        | 4.8        | 4.1        | 4.3        | 4.8        | 15.9       | 7.8        | 6.7        | 3.5        | 4.0        | <0.2   | %        | TM21/PM24  |
| pH #                               | 7.73       | 7.55       | 7.55       | 7.61       | 7.51       | 7.79       | 8.64       | 7.67       | 7.73       | 7.43       | <0.01  | pH units | TM73/PM11  |

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|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--|-------|------------|--|
| Sample ID                 | L          | M          | N          | SA2        | SA5        | SA6        | SA7        | SA8        | BH1        | BH2        |  |       |            |  |
| Depth                     | 0.15       | 0.10       | 0.15       | 0.10       | 0.15       | 0.20       | 0.10       | 0.10       | 1.00       | 0.50       |  |       |            |  |
| COC No / misc             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |  |       |            |  |
| Containers                | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | T          | T          |  |       |            |  |
| Sample Date               | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 |  |       |            |  |
| Sample Type               | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       |  |       |            |  |
| Batch Number              | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          |  |       |            |  |
| Date of Receipt           | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | LOD/LOR  | Units | Method No. |  |
| Arsenic #                 | 42.6       | 42.0       | 38.3       | 34.1       | 30.7       | 40.7       | 41.3       | 39.6       | -          | -          | <0.5   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Beryllium                 | 2.6        | 2.5        | 2.0        | 1.9        | 1.6        | 2.0        | 2.0        | 1.8        | -          | -          | <0.5   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Cadmium #                 | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | 0.1        | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | -          | -          | <0.1   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Chromium #                | 116.4      | 109.5      | 95.2       | 101.1      | 83.0       | 109.8      | 113.4      | 98.2       | -          | -          | <0.5   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Copper #                  | 17         | 18         | 17         | 14         | 24         | 22         | 15         | 18         | -          | -          | <1   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Lead #                    | 58         | 47         | 56         | 40         | 20         | 93         | 37         | 39         | -          | -          | <5   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Mercury #                 | 0.2        | 0.2        | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | <0.1       | -          | -          | <0.1   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Nickel #                  | 32.1       | 28.5       | 25.1       | 22.7       | 42.9       | 44.7       | 34.8       | 40.8       | -          | -          | <0.7   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Selenium #                | 2          | 1          | 3          | 1          | <1         | <1         | 1          | 1          | -          | -          | <1   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Sulphur as S              | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <0.01      | <0.01      | <0.01  | %     | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Total Sulphate as SO4 BRE | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <0.01      | <0.01      | <0.01  | %     | TM50/PM29  |  |
| Vanadium                  | 184        | 153        | 163        | 153        | 93         | 156        | 187        | 123        | -          | -          | <1   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| Water Soluble Boron #     | 2.0        | 1.4        | 1.7        | 1.6        | 1.7        | 1.4        | 1.9        | 1.8        | -          | -          | <0.1   | mg/kg | TM74/PM32  |  |
| Zinc #                    | 130        | 111        | 97         | 82         | 135        | 144        | 118        | 120        | -          | -          | <5   | mg/kg | TM30/PM15  |  |
| <b>PAH MS</b>             |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |  |       |            |  |
| Naphthalene #             | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | -          | -          | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Acenaphthylene            | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | -          | -          | <0.03  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Acenaphthene #            | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | -          | -          | <0.05  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Fluorene #                | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | -          | -          | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Phenanthrene #            | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | -          | -          | <0.03  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Anthracene #              | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | -          | -          | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Fluoranthene #            | 0.09       | 0.12       | 0.04       | 0.05       | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | -          | -          | <0.03  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Pyrene #                  | 0.09       | 0.10       | <0.03      | 0.05       | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | <0.03      | -          | -          | <0.03  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Benzo(a)anthracene #      | 0.09       | 0.12       | <0.06      | <0.06      | <0.06      | <0.06      | <0.06      | <0.06      | -          | -          | <0.06  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Chrysene #                | 0.06       | 0.07       | 0.02       | 0.02       | <0.02      | <0.02      | <0.02      | <0.02      | -          | -          | <0.02  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene #    | 0.11       | 0.15       | <0.07      | <0.07      | <0.07      | <0.07      | <0.07      | <0.07      | -          | -          | <0.07  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Benzo(a)pyrene #          | 0.05       | 0.06       | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | -          | -          | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Indeno(123cd)pyrene       | <0.04      | 0.06       | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | -          | -          | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Dibenzo(ah)anthracene #   | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | -          | -          | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Benzo(ghi)perylene #      | <0.04      | 0.06       | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | <0.04      | -          | -          | <0.04  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| PAH 16 Total              | <0.6       | 0.7        | <0.6       | <0.6       | <0.6       | <0.6       | <0.6       | <0.6       | -          | -          | <0.6   | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene      | 0.08       | 0.11       | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | <0.05      | -          | -          | <0.05  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene      | 0.03       | 0.04       | <0.02      | <0.02      | <0.02      | <0.02      | <0.02      | <0.02      | -          | -          | <0.02  | mg/kg | TM4/PM8    |  |
| PAH Surrogate % Recovery  | 88         | 83         | 81         | 96         | 90         | 98         | 97         | 94         | -          | -          | <0   | %     | TM4/PM8    |  |

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| Sample ID                          | L          | M          | N          | SA2        | SA5        | SA6        | SA7        | SA8        | BH1        | BH2        |         |          |            |
| Depth                              | 0.15       | 0.10       | 0.15       | 0.10       | 0.15       | 0.20       | 0.10       | 0.10       | 1.00       | 0.50       |         |          |            |
| COC No / misc                      |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |         |          |            |
| Containers                         | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | J          | T          | T          |         |          |            |
| Sample Date                        | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 | 17/12/2020 |         |          |            |
| Sample Type                        | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       | Soil       |         |          |            |
| Batch Number                       | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          | 1          |         |          |            |
| Date of Receipt                    | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | 30/12/2020 | LOD/LOR | Units    | Method No. |
| Pesticides                         |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |         |          |            |
| <b>Organochlorine Pesticides</b>   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |         |          |            |
| Aldrin                             | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Alpha-HCH (BHC)                    | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Beta-HCH (BHC)                     | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Delta-HCH (BHC)                    | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Dieldrin                           | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Endosulphan I                      | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Endosulphan II                     | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Endosulphan sulphate               | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Endrin                             | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Gamma-HCH (BHC)                    | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Heptachlor                         | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Heptachlor Epoxide                 | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| p,p'-DDE                           | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| p,p'-DDT                           | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| p,p'-TDE                           | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Total Methoxychlor                 | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| <b>Organophosphorus Pesticides</b> |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |         |          |            |
| Azinphos methyl                    | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Diazinon                           | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Dichlorvos                         | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Disulfoton                         | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Ethion                             | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Ethyl Parathion (Parathion)        | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Fenitrothion                       | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Malathion                          | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Methyl Parathion                   | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| Mevinphos                          | -          | -          | <10        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <10     | ug/kg    | TM42/PM8   |
| <b>Triazine Herbicides</b>         |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |            |         |          |            |
| Atrazine                           | -          | -          | <100       | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <100    | ug/kg    | TM39/PM8   |
| Simazine                           | -          | -          | <200       | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | <200    | ug/kg    | TM39/PM8   |
| Natural Moisture Content           | 23.0       | 15.9       | 24.6       | 21.7       | 24.6       | 23.6       | 20.1       | 25.4       | -          | -          | <0.1    | %        | PM4/PM0    |
| Hexavalent Chromium #              | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | <0.3       | -          | -          | <0.3    | mg/kg    | TM38/PM20  |
| Sulphate as SO4 (2:1 Ext) #        | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | -          | 0.0091     | 0.0057     | <0.0015 | g/l      | TM38/PM20  |
| Organic Matter                     | 4.9        | 2.8        | 5.4        | 2.9        | 1.7        | 2.2        | 2.5        | 3.0        | -          | -          | <0.2    | %        | TM21/PM24  |
| pH #                               | 7.70       | 7.60       | 7.54       | 7.47       | 7.47       | 6.77       | 7.61       | 7.30       | 7.87       | 7.77       | <0.01   | pH units | TM73/PM11  |

Please see attached notes for all abbreviations and acronyms









# NOTES TO ACCOMPANY ALL SCHEDULES AND REPORTS

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## SOILS

Please note we are only MCERTS accredited (UK soils only) for sand, loam and clay and any other matrix is outside our scope of accreditation.

Where an MCERTS report has been requested, you will be notified within 48 hours of any samples that have been identified as being outside our MCERTS scope. As validation has been performed on clay, sand and loam, only samples that are predominantly these matrices, or combinations of them will be within our MCERTS scope. If samples are not one of a combination of the above matrices they will not be marked as MCERTS accredited.

It is assumed that you have taken representative samples on site and require analysis on a representative subsample. Stones will generally be included unless we are requested to remove them.

All samples will be discarded one month after the date of reporting, unless we are instructed to the contrary.

If you have not already done so, please send us a purchase order if this is required by your company.

Where appropriate please make sure that our detection limits are suitable for your needs, if they are not, please notify us immediately.

All analysis is reported on a dry weight basis unless stated otherwise. Limits of detection for analyses carried out on as received samples are not moisture content corrected. Results are not surrogate corrected. Samples are dried at 35°C ±5°C unless otherwise stated. Moisture content for CEN Leachate tests are dried at 105°C ±5°C.

Where Mineral Oil or Fats, Oils and Grease is quoted, this refers to Total Aliphatics C10-C40.

Where a CEN 10:1 ZERO Headspace VOC test has been carried out, a 10:1 ratio of water to wet (as received) soil has been used.

% Asbestos in Asbestos Containing Materials (ACMs) is determined by reference to HSG 264 The Survey Guide - Appendix 2 : ACMs in buildings listed in order of ease of fibre release.

Sufficient amount of sample must be received to carry out the testing specified. Where an insufficient amount of sample has been received the testing may not meet the requirements of our accredited methods, as such accreditation may be removed.

Negative Neutralization Potential (NP) values are obtained when the volume of NaOH (0.1N) titrated (pH 8.3) is greater than the volume of HCl (1N) to reduce the pH of the sample to 2.0 - 2.5. Any negative NP values are corrected to 0.

The calculation of Pyrite content assumes that all oxidisable sulphides present in the sample are pyrite. This may not be the case. The calculation may be an overestimate when other sulphides such as Barite (Barium Sulphate) are present.

## WATERS

Please note we are not a UK Drinking Water Inspectorate (DWI) Approved Laboratory .

ISO17025 accreditation applies to surface water and groundwater and usually one other matrix which is analysis specific, any other liquids are outside our scope of accreditation.

As surface waters require different sample preparation to groundwaters the laboratory must be informed of the water type when submitting samples.

Where Mineral Oil or Fats, Oils and Grease is quoted, this refers to Total Aliphatics C10-C40.

## DEVIATING SAMPLES

All samples should be submitted to the laboratory in suitable containers with sufficient ice packs to sustain an appropriate temperature for the requested analysis. The temperature of sample receipt is recorded on the confirmation schedules in order that the client can make an informed decision as to whether testing should still be undertaken.

## SURROGATES

Surrogate compounds are added during the preparation process to monitor recovery of analytes. However low recovery in soils is often due to peat, clay or other organic rich matrices. For waters this can be due to oxidants, surfactants, organic rich sediments or remediation fluids. Acceptable limits for most organic methods are 70 - 130% and for VOCs are 50 - 150%. When surrogate recoveries are outside the performance criteria but the associated AQC passes this is assumed to be due to matrix effect. Results are not surrogate corrected.

## DILUTIONS

A dilution suffix indicates a dilution has been performed and the reported result takes this into account. No further calculation is required.

## BLANKS

Where analytes have been found in the blank, the sample will be treated in accordance with our laboratory procedure for dealing with contaminated blanks.

## NOTE

Data is only reported if the laboratory is confident that the data is a true reflection of the samples analysed. Data is only reported as accredited when all the requirements of our Quality System have been met. In certain circumstances where all the requirements of the Quality System have not been met, for instance if the associated AQC has failed, the reason is fully investigated and documented. The sample data is then evaluated alongside the other quality control checks performed during analysis to determine its suitability. Following this evaluation, provided the sample results have not been effected, the data is reported but accreditation is removed. It is a UKAS requirement for data not reported as accredited to be considered indicative only, but this does not mean the data is not valid.

Where possible, and if requested, samples will be re-extracted and a revised report issued with accredited results. Please do not hesitate to contact the laboratory if further details are required of the circumstances which have led to the removal of accreditation.

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All solid results are expressed on a dry weight basis unless stated otherwise.

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Any method number not prefixed with SA has been undertaken in our UK laboratory unless reported as subcontracted.

**Measurement Uncertainty**

Measurement uncertainty defines the range of values that could reasonably be attributed to the measured quantity. This range of values has not been included within the reported results. Uncertainty expressed as a percentage can be provided upon request.

**ABBREVIATIONS and ACRONYMS USED**

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| #       | ISO17025 (UKAS Ref No. 4225) accredited - UK.   |
| SA      | ISO17025 (SANAS Ref No.T0729) accredited - South Africa   |
| B       | Indicates analyte found in associated method blank.   |
| DR      | Dilution required.  |
| M       | MCERTS accredited.  |
| NA      | Not applicable  |
| NAD     | No Asbestos Detected.   |
| ND      | None Detected (usually refers to VOC and/SVOC TICs).  |
| NDP     | No Determination Possible   |
| SS      | Calibrated against a single substance   |
| SV      | Surrogate recovery outside performance criteria. This may be due to a matrix effect.  |
| W       | Results expressed on as received basis.   |
| +       | AQC failure, accreditation has been removed from this result, if appropriate, see 'Note' on previous page.  |
| >>      | Results above calibration range, the result should be considered the minimum value. The actual result could be significantly higher, this result is not accredited. |
| *       | Analysis subcontracted to an Element Materials Technology approved laboratory.  |
| AD      | Samples are dried at 35°C ±5°C  |
| CO      | Suspected carry over  |
| LOD/LOR | Limit of Detection (Limit of Reporting) in line with ISO 17025 and MCERTS   |
| ME      | Matrix Effect   |
| NFD     | No Fibres Detected  |
| BS      | AQC Sample  |
| LB      | Blank Sample  |
| N       | Client Sample   |
| TB      | Trip Blank Sample   |
| OC      | Outside Calibration Range   |

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| Test Method No. | Description   | Prep Method No. (if appropriate) | Description   | ISO 17025 (UKAS/S ANAS) | MCERTS (UK soils only) | Analysis done on As Received (AR) or Dried (AD) | Reported on dry weight basis |
|-----------------|---|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------|------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| PM4             | Gravimetric measurement of Natural Moisture Content and % Moisture Content at either 35°C or 105°C. Calculation based on ISO 11465:1993(E) and BS1377-2:1990.   | PM0                              | No preparation is required.   |                         |                        | AR  |                              |
| TM4             | Modified USEPA 8270D v5:2014 method for the solvent extraction and determination of PAHs by GC-MS.  | PM8                              | End over end extraction of solid samples for organic analysis. The solvent mix varies depending on analysis required.   |                         |                        | AR  | Yes                          |
| TM4             | Modified USEPA 8270D v5:2014 method for the solvent extraction and determination of PAHs by GC-MS.  | PM8                              | End over end extraction of solid samples for organic analysis. The solvent mix varies depending on analysis required.   | Yes                     |                        | AR  | Yes                          |
| TM21            | Modified BS 7755-3:1995, ISO10694:1995 Determination of Total Organic Carbon or Total Carbon by combustion in an Eltra TOC furnace/analyser in the presence of oxygen. The CO2 generated is quantified using infra-red detection. Organic Matter (SOM) calculated as per EA MCERTS Chemical Testing of Soil, March 2012 v4. | PM24                             | Dried and ground solid samples are washed with hydrochloric acid, then rinsed with deionised water to remove the mineral carbon before TOC analysis.  |                         |                        | AD  | Yes                          |
| TM30            | Determination of Trace Metals by ICP-OES (Inductively Coupled Plasma – Optical Emission Spectrometry); WATERS by Modified USEPA Method 200.7, Rev. 4.4, 1994; Modified EPA Method 6010B, Rev.2, Dec 1996; Modified BS EN ISO 11885:2009: SOILS by Modified USEP   | PM15                             | Acid digestion of dried and ground solid samples using Aqua Regia refluxed at 112.5 °C. Samples containing asbestos are not dried and ground.   |                         |                        | AD  | Yes                          |
| TM30            | Determination of Trace Metals by ICP-OES (Inductively Coupled Plasma – Optical Emission Spectrometry); WATERS by Modified USEPA Method 200.7, Rev. 4.4, 1994; Modified EPA Method 6010B, Rev.2, Dec 1996; Modified BS EN ISO 11885:2009: SOILS by Modified USEP   | PM15                             | Acid digestion of dried and ground solid samples using Aqua Regia refluxed at 112.5 °C. Samples containing asbestos are not dried and ground.   | Yes                     |                        | AD  | Yes                          |
| TM38            | Soluble Ion analysis using Discrete Analyser. Modified US EPA methods: Chloride 325.2 (1978), Sulphate 375.4 (Rev.2 1993), o-Phosphate 365.2 (Rev.2 1993), TON 353.1 (Rev.2 1993), Nitrite 354.1 (1971), Hex Cr 7196A (1992), NH4+ 350.1 (Rev.2 1993 (comparabl   | PM20                             | Extraction of dried and ground or as received samples with deionised water in a 2:1 water to solid ratio using a reciprocal shaker for all analytes except hexavalent chromium. Extraction of as received sample using 10:1 ratio of 0.2M sodium hydroxide to soil for hexavalent chromium using a reciprocal shaker. | Yes                     |                        | AD  | Yes                          |
| TM38            | Soluble Ion analysis using Discrete Analyser. Modified US EPA methods: Chloride 325.2 (1978), Sulphate 375.4 (Rev.2 1993), o-Phosphate 365.2 (Rev.2 1993), TON 353.1 (Rev.2 1993), Nitrite 354.1 (1971), Hex Cr 7196A (1992), NH4+ 350.1 (Rev.2 1993 (comparabl   | PM20                             | Extraction of dried and ground or as received samples with deionised water in a 2:1 water to solid ratio using a reciprocal shaker for all analytes except hexavalent chromium. Extraction of as received sample using 10:1 ratio of 0.2M sodium hydroxide to soil for hexavalent chromium using a reciprocal shaker. | Yes                     |                        | AR  | Yes                          |
| TM39            | Modified US EPA method 8270D v5:2014. Determination of Triazine Herbicides by GC-MS   | PM8                              | End over end extraction of solid samples for organic analysis. The solvent mix varies depending on analysis required.   |                         |                        | AR  | Yes                          |
| TM42            | Modified US EPA method 8270D v5:2014. Pesticides and herbicides by GC-MS  | PM8                              | End over end extraction of solid samples for organic analysis. The solvent mix varies depending on analysis required.   |                         |                        | AR  | Yes                          |



## HUMAN HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT

### 1.1 Introduction

Human Health Generic Quantitative Risk Assessment (GQRA) involves the comparison of contaminant concentrations measured in soil at the site with Generic Assessment Criteria (GAC).

GAC are conservative values adopted to ensure that they are applicable to the majority of possible contaminated site. These values may be published Contaminated Land Exposure Assessment Model (CLEA) derived GAC derived by a third party or the Environment Agency/ DEFRA. It is imperative to the risk assessor to understand the uncertainties and limitations associated with these GAC to ensure that they are used appropriately. Where the adoption of a GAC is not appropriate, for instance when the intended land-use is at variance the CLEA standard land-uses, then a Detailed Quantitative Risk Assessment (DQRA) may be undertaken to develop site specific values for relevant soil contaminants based on the site specific conditions.

### 1.2 General Assessment Criteria

The Contaminated Land Regime reflects the UK Government's stated objectives of achieving sustainable development through the 'suitable for use approach'.

#### 1.2.1 Contaminated Land Exposure Assessment Model (CLEA)

Current United Kingdom risk assessment practice is based on the Contaminated Land Exposure Assessment Model (CLEA).

#### **The CLEA Guidance comprises the following documents:**

- EA Science Report SC050021/SR2: Human health toxicological assessment of contaminants in soil.
- EA Science Report SC050021/SR3: Updated technical background to the CLEA model.
- EA CLEA Bulletin (2009).
- CLEA software version 1.04 (2009)
- Toxicological reports and SGV technical notes.

#### **The CLEA guidance and tools:**

1. do not cover other types of risk to humans, such as fire, suffocation or explosion, or short-term and acute exposures.
2. do not cover risks to the environment, such as groundwater, ecosystems or buildings.
3. do not provide a definitive test for telling when human health risks are significant.
4. are not a legal requirement in assessing land contamination risks. They are not part of the legal regime for Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

### 1.3 Soil Guideline Values (2009)

The EA are publishing a series of SGV reports for a selection of common contaminants relevant to the assessment of land contamination. SGV's are generic assessment criteria based on CLEA standard land-uses and can be used to simplify the assessment of human health risks from long-term exposure to

chemical contamination in soil. They do not cover short-term exposure (i.e. construction and maintenance workers), acute exposure or other risks such as fire, suffocation or explosion, as might arise from an accumulation of gases such as methane and carbon dioxide, or either odour or aesthetic issues. SGV's represent 'trigger values', indicators that soil concentrations above the SGV level may pose a possibility of *significant harm* to human health. The converse, where soil concentrations are less than the SGV, is that the long-term human health risks are considered to be tolerable or minimal.

The CLEA guidance derives soil concentrations of contaminants above which (in the opinion of the EA) there may be a concern that warrants further investigation. It does not provide a definitive test for establishing that the risk is significant.

#### **1.4 Ongoing development of CLEA based guidance**

The EA is involved in a programme of publishing SGV's and related toxicity data (the TOX reports). As at July 2009 ten SGV's and matching TOX reports had been published. Soil Assessment Criteria (SAC's) may be derived using toxicity data from the updated TOX reports, where these are published, or from the original TOX reports. SGV reports also take account of recent updates for plant uptake and other factors.

- GAC's developed by CLEA guidance and given in this report will need to be assessed against updated TOX reports and SGV's when these are published.
- SGV reports may give values that differ from the GAC's used in this report.
- These variations may materially alter the remediation requirement for the site, requiring either an increase or decrease in the extent, type and cost of remediation.

#### **1.5 Phytotoxicity**

CLEA guidance only addresses human health toxicity; assessment of plant toxicity (phytotoxicity) is based on threshold trigger values obtained from the following source:

- *ICRCL 70/90: Notes on the restoration and aftercare of metalliferous mining sites for pasture and grazing.*
- *BS 3882:2015 Specification for topsoil*

#### **1.6 Other Generic Assessment Criteria**

If an SGV is not available for a substance identified in the soil then the range of Generic Assessment Criteria published from a collaborative research by Land Quality Management Limited (LQM) and the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH) are used for example. In the case of Lead, Category 4 screening levels (C4SLs) have replaced the AtRisk Soil SSV.

##### **1.6.1 EIC/AGS/CL: AIRE**

The report represents the collaborative effort of risk assessors from 26 EIC and AGS member companies to produce generic assessment criteria (GAC) for soils for human health risk assessment. The project involved the collation and review of physico-chemical data, toxicological data and information on background

exposure for 44 contaminants sometimes encountered on land affected by contamination in the UK and the derivation of GAC for 351 of these using the CLEA model (v1.06). The GAC are intended to complement soil guideline values (SGV) produced by the Environment Agency of England and Wales and the 2nd edition GAC produced by LQM and CIEH (Nathanail et al, 2009). All three sets of assessment criteria have been derived in general accordance with the Environment Agency of England and Wales Contaminated Land Exposure Assessment (CLEA) guidance and thus the combined efforts of these three groups have resulted in a useful set of screening criteria for the assessment of risks to human health from soil contamination for more than 120 potentially contaminative substances.

#### **1.6.2 Category 4 screening levels (C4SLs) (2014)**

A new statutory DEFRA guidance recently (i.e. August 2014) published some GACs with a more pragmatic (but still strongly precautionary) approach in their derivation called the Category 4 screening levels (C4SLs). These values provide a higher simple test for deciding that land is suitable for use and definitely not contaminated land. They are intended as generic screening values, (ii) they describe a level of risk that whilst above 'minimal' is still 'low' and (iii) they provide a 'higher simple test' for deciding that land is suitable for use and definitely not contaminated. These values were derived for four generic land uses: residential, commercial, allotments, and public open space.

#### **1.6.3 LQM/CIEH Suitable 4 Use Level (S4UL) (2015)**

The new S4UL's ((Nathanail *et al*, 2015), was developed for around 85 substances and are intended to enable a screening assessment of the risks posed by soil quality on development sites. The updated LQM/CIEH GAC publication was developed to accommodate recent developments in the understanding of chemical, toxicological and routine exposure to soil-based contaminants. The S4ULs were:

- based on Health Criteria Values, updated to reflect changes since 2009
- derived for the standard CLEA land uses and the two public open space scenarios developed by Defra SP1010
- developed for ca 85 substances (those previously covered by the LQM/CIEHGAC and the SGV substances);
- Compliant with SR2 and the long standing principle of 'suitable for use' and reflecting changes to exposure parameters produced by Defra SP101

For derivation of these Generic Assessment Criteria reference must be made to: Nathanail, P., McCaffrey, C., Ashmore, M., Cheng, Y., Gillet, A., Ogden, R., Scott, D. *The LQM/CIEH Generic Assessment Criteria for Human Health Risk Assessment (3<sup>rd</sup> edition)*. **Land Quality Press**. 2015.



## 1.7 Standard Land-use Scenarios

The standard land-use scenarios used to develop conceptual exposure models are presented in the following sections:

### 1.7.1 Residential

Generic scenario assumes a typical two-storey house built on a ground bearing slab with a private garden having a lawn, flowerbeds and a small fruit and vegetable patch.

- Critical receptor is a young female child (zero to six years old)
- Exposure duration is six years.
- Exposure pathways include direct soil and indoor dust ingestion, consumption of home-grown produce and any adhering soil, skin contact with soils and indoor dust and inhalation of indoor and outdoor dust and vapours.
- Building type is a two-storey small terraced house.

A sub-set of this land-use is residential apartments with communal landscaped gardens where the consumption of home-grown vegetables will not occur.

### 1.7.2 Allotments

Provision of open space (about 250sq.m) commonly made available to tenants by the local authority to grow fruit and vegetable for their own consumption. Typically, there are a number of plots to a site which may have a total area of up to 1 hectare. The tenants are assumed to be adults and that young children make occasional accompanied visits.

Although some allotment holders may choose to keep animals including rabbits, hens, and ducks, potential exposure to contaminated meat and eggs is not considered.

- Critical receptor is a young female child (zero to six years old)
- Exposure duration is six years.
- Exposure pathways include direct soil ingestion, consumption of homegrown produce and any adhering soil, skin contact with soils and inhalation of outdoor dust and vapours.
- There is no building.

### 1.7.3 Commercial/Industrial

The generic scenario assumes a typical commercial or light industrial property comprising a three-storey building at which employees spend most time indoors and are involved in office-based or relatively light physical work.

- Critical receptor is a working female adult (aged 16 to 65 years old).
- Exposure duration is a working lifetime of 49 years.
- Exposure pathways include direct soil and indoor dust ingestion, skin contact with soils and dusts and inhalation of dust and vapours.
- Building type is a three-storey office (pre 1970).

#### 1.7.4 Public Open Space within Residential Area

The generic scenario refers to any grassed area 0.05 ha and that is close to Housing.

- Grassed area of up to 0.05 ha and a considerable proportion of this (up to 50%) may be bare soil
- Predominantly used by children for playing and may be used for activities such as a football kick about
- Sufficiently close proximity to home for tracking back of soil to occur, thus indoor exposure pathways apply
- older children as the critical receptor on basis that they will use site most frequently (Age class 4-9)
- ingestion rate 75 mg.day<sup>-1</sup>

#### 1.7.5 Public Open Space Park

This generic scenario refers to any public park that is more than 0.5ha in area:

- Public park (>0.5 ha), predominantly grassed and may also contain children's play equipment and border areas of soil containing flowers or shrubs (75% cover)
- Female child age classes 1-6
- Soil ingestion rate of 50 mg.day<sup>-1</sup>
- Occupancy period outdoors = 2 hours.day<sup>-1</sup>
- Exposure frequency of 170 days.year<sup>-1</sup> for age classes 2-18 and 85 days.year<sup>-1</sup> for age class 1
- Outdoor exposure pathways only (no tracking back).

### 1.8 Detailed Quantitative Risk Assessments (DQRA)

Where the adoption of an SGV/GAC is not appropriate, for instance when the intended land-use is at variance the CLEA standard land-uses, then a DQRA may be undertaken to develop site specific values for relevant soil contaminants.

- Establishing the plausibility that generic exposure pathways exist in practice by measurement and observation.
- Developing more accurate parameters using site data.

### 1.9 Current Criteria

Table 1 presents the current Generic Assessment Criteria and reference should be made to the original publications if needed.

### 1.10 Statistical Tests

DEFRA R&D Publication CLR 7 (DOE 1994) and Category 4 screening levels (C4SLs) (2014) addressed the statistical treatment of test results and their comparison to Soil Guideline Values. Consideration must be given to the appropriate area of land to be considered termed the critical averaging area.

For a communal open space or commercial land-use, the critical averaging area will depend on the proposed layout. For a residential use with private gardens the averaging area is the individual plot.

It may be appropriate to compare the upper 95<sup>th</sup> percentile concentration with the Soil Guideline Value, subject to applying a statistical test to establish that the range of concentrations are reasonably consistent and belonging to the same underlying distribution of data.

The DEFRA discussion paper Assessing risks from land contamination – a proportionate approach ('the way forward') (CLAN06/2006) aimed to increase understanding of the role that statistics can play in quantifying the uncertainty attached to the estimates of the mean concentration of contaminants in soil. In direct response CL:AIRE/CIEH published a joint report, *Guidance in comparing soil contamination data with a critical concentration* (CL:AIRE/CIEH 2008). A software implementation of the statistical techniques given in the report was published by ESI International (2008).

#### **Treatment of Hot-Spots**

- A statistical test is applied to establish whether the data is a part of a single set, or whether data outliers are present.
- Provided that the data is based on random sampling and no distinct contamination source was present at the sampling location, the hot-spot(s) may be excluded and the mean of the remaining data assessed.

## Tier 1 Soil Guidance Values

The following table presents the Tier 1 Soil Guidance Values (SGVs) Revision 002 based on LQM/CIEH Sutable 2 Use Levels (S4UL) for Human Health Assessment (unless stated otherwise).

### Land-Use Scenario

| Determinant   | Residential with Homegrown Produce | Residential without Homegrown Produce | Public Open Space (POS) Residential | Public Open Space (POS) Park | Allotment | Commercial and Industrial |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| <b>Metals and Metalloids</b>                                      |                                    |                                       |                                     |                              |           |                           |
| Arsenic   | 37                                 | 40                                    | 79                                  | <b>170</b>                   | 43        | 640                       |
| Boron   | 290                                | 11000                                 | 21000                               | <b>46000</b>                 | 45        | 240000                    |
| Cadmium   | 11                                 | 85                                    | 120                                 | <b>532</b>                   | 1.9       | 190                       |
| Chromium (Hexavalent)   | 6                                  | 6                                     | 7.7                                 | <b>220</b>                   | 1.8       | 33                        |
| Chromium  | 910                                | 910                                   | 1500                                | <b>33000</b>                 | 18000     | 8600                      |
| Copper  | 2400                               | 7100                                  | 12000                               | <b>44000</b>                 | 520       | 68000                     |
| Lead (C4SL Criteria)  | 200                                | 310                                   | 630                                 | <b>1300</b>                  | 80        | 2330                      |
| Elemental Mercury   | 1.2                                | 1.2                                   | 16                                  | <b>30</b>                    | 21        | 58                        |
| Inorganic Mercury   | 40                                 | 56                                    | 120                                 | <b>240</b>                   | 19        | 1100                      |
| Nickel  | 180                                | 180                                   | 230                                 | <b>3400</b>                  | 230       | 980                       |
| Selenium  | 250                                | 430                                   | 1100                                | <b>1800</b>                  | 88        | 12000                     |
| Vanadium  | 410                                | 1200                                  | 2000                                | <b>5000</b>                  | 91        | 9000                      |
| Zinc  | 3700                               | 40000                                 | 81000                               | <b>170000</b>                | 620       | 730000                    |
| <b>Other Inorganics</b>   |                                    |                                       |                                     |                              |           |                           |
| pH  | 6-9 Units                          |                                       |                                     |                              |           |                           |
| Asbestos  | If Detected                        |                                       |                                     |                              |           |                           |
| Cyanide (Dutch Intervention Value)                                | 20                                 | 20                                    | 20                                  | 20                           | 20        | -                         |
| <b>Phenol<br/>(based on 2.5% SOM)</b>                             |                                    |                                       |                                     |                              |           |                           |
| Phenol (Total)  | 550                                | 1300                                  | 760                                 | 760                          | 66        | 760                       |
| <b>Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH)<br/>(based on 2.5% SOM)</b> |                                    |                                       |                                     |                              |           |                           |
| Aliphatic (5-6)   | 78                                 | 78                                    | 570000                              | 95000                        | 730       | 3200                      |
| Aliphatic (6-8)   | 230                                | 230                                   | 600000                              | 150000                       | 2300      | 7800                      |
| Aliphatic (8-10)  | 65                                 | 65                                    | 13000                               | 14000                        | 320       | 2000                      |
| Aliphatic (10-12)   | 330                                | 330                                   | 13000                               | 21000                        | 2200      | 9700                      |
| Aliphatic (12-16)   | 2400                               | 2400                                  | 13000                               | 25000                        | 11000     | 59000                     |
| Aliphatic (16-35)   | 65000                              | 92000                                 | 250000                              | 450000                       | 260000    | 1600000                   |
| Aliphatic (35-44)   | 65000                              | 92000                                 | 250000                              | 450000                       | 260000    | 1600000                   |
| Aromatic (5-7 benzene)*   | 140                                | 690                                   | 72(56000)                           | 90(76000)                    | 0.017(13) | 27(26000)                 |
| Aromatic (7-8 toluene)  | 290                                | 1800                                  | 56000                               | 87000                        | 22        | 56000                     |
| Aromatic (8-10)   | 83                                 | 110                                   | 5000                                | 7200                         | 8.6       | 3500                      |
| Aromatic (10-12)  | 180                                | 590                                   | 5000                                | 9200                         | 13        | 16000                     |
| Aromatic (12-16)  | 330                                | 2300                                  | 5100                                | 10000                        | 23        | 36000                     |
| Aromatic (16-21)  | 540                                | 1900                                  | 3800                                | 7600                         | 46        | 28000                     |
| Aromatic (21-35)  | 1500                               | 1900                                  | 3800                                | 7800                         | 370       | 28000                     |
| Aromatic (35-44)  | 1500                               | 1900                                  | 3800                                | 7800                         | 370       | 28000                     |
| <b>BTEX<br/>(based on 2.5% SOM)</b>                               |                                    |                                       |                                     |                              |           |                           |
| Benzene   | 0.17                               | 0.7                                   | 73                                  | 110                          | 0.075     | 90                        |
| Toluene   | 290                                | 1900                                  | 56000                               | 100000                       | 120       | 180000                    |
| Ethylbenzene  | 110                                | 190                                   | 25000                               | 27000                        | 91        | 27000                     |
| m-Xylene  | 140                                | 190                                   | 43000                               | 32000                        | 170       | 31000                     |
| p-Xylene  | 130                                | 180                                   | 43000                               | 31000                        | 160       | 30000                     |
| o-Xylene  | 140                                | 210                                   | 43000                               | 33000                        | 160       | 33000                     |

All values in mg/kg unless stated otherwise

\* Benzene values to be used as a conservative screen for TPH Aromatic C5-C7 range hydrocarbons if Speciated BTEX results are not available. If Speciated BTEX are available then TPH Aromatic C5-C7 screening value in ( ) can be adopted.

## Tier 1 Soil Guidance Values (Cont.)

### Land-Use Scenario

| Determinant   | Residential with Homegrown Produce | Residential without Homegrown Produce | Public Open Space (POS) Residential | Public Open Space (POS) Park | Allotment | Commercial and Industrial |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| <b>Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH)<br/>(based on 2.5% SOM)</b> |                                    |                                       |                                     |                              |           |                           |
| Naphthalene   | 5.6                                | 5.6                                   | 4900                                | <b>1200</b>                  | 4.1       | 190                       |
| Acenaphthene  | 510                                | 35000                                 | 15000                               | <b>29000</b>                 | 34        | 84000                     |
| Acenaphthylene  | 420                                | 4600                                  | 30000                               | <b>29000</b>                 | 28        | 83000                     |
| Fluorene  | 400                                | 3800                                  | 9900                                | <b>20000</b>                 | 27        | 63000                     |
| Anthracene  | 5400                               | 35000                                 | 74000                               | <b>150000</b>                | 380       | 520000                    |
| Fluoranthene  | 560                                | 1600                                  | 3100                                | <b>6300</b>                  | 52        | 23000                     |
| Phenanthrene  | 220                                | 1500                                  | 3100                                | <b>6200</b>                  | 15        | 22000                     |
| Pyrene  | 1200                               | 3800                                  | 7400                                | <b>15000</b>                 | 110       | 54000                     |
| Benzo(a)anthracene  | 11                                 | 14                                    | 29                                  | <b>49</b>                    | 2.9       | 170                       |
| Chrysene  | 22                                 | 31                                    | 57                                  | <b>93</b>                    | 4.1       | 350                       |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene  | 3.3                                | 4                                     | 7.2                                 | <b>13</b>                    | 0.99      | 44                        |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene  | 93                                 | 110                                   | 190                                 | <b>370</b>                   | 37        | 1200                      |
| Benzo(ghi)perylene  | 340                                | 360                                   | 640                                 | <b>1400</b>                  | 290       | 3900                      |
| Benzo(a)pyrene  | 2.7                                | 3.2                                   | 5.7                                 | <b>11</b>                    | 0.97      | 35                        |
| Dibenzo(ah)anthracene   | 0.28                               | 0.32                                  | 0.57                                | <b>1.1</b>                   | 0.14      | 3.5                       |
| Indeno(123-cd)pyrene  | 36                                 | 46                                    | 82                                  | <b>150</b>                   | 9.5       | 500                       |

All values in mg/kg unless stated otherwise

### References

*LQM/CIEH Suitable 2 Use Levels (S4UL) for Human Health Assessment – Land Quality Management Limited (LQM) and Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH) Land Quality Press (2015)*

*SP1010: Development of Category 4 Screening Levels (C4SL) for Assessment of Land Affected by Contamination - Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (2014)*

*Dutch Target and Intervention Values (the New Dutch List) (2000)*

### Descriptions of Public Open Space (POS): Section 1.4.2 of The LQM S4UL for Human Health Assessment

**POS Residential:** Includes the predominantly grassed areas adjacent to high density housing, the central green area on many 1930s-1970s housing estates, and smaller areas commonly incorporated in newer developments as informal grassed areas or more formal landscaped areas with a mixture of open space and covered soil with planting. It is assumed that the close proximity to the place of residence will allow tracking back of soil to occur.

**POS Park:** An area of open space, usually owned and maintained by the Local Authority, provided for recreational uses including family visits and picnics, children's play area, informal sporting activities such as football (but not a dedicated sports pitch), and dog walking. It is assumed that tracking back of soils into the place of residence will be negligible.

### SOM – Soil Organic Matter

Soil Guidance Values for Organics are presented are based on 2.5% SOM. In the event of exceedance, the actual SOM content of the sample(s) should be reviewed to determine if a lower value based on 1.0% or 6.0% can be adopted.

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|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| Client/client ref | Thomas Homes Ltd  |
| Project ref       | Land at Clifton Hampden   |
| Site ref          | S.5632  |
| Data description  | Topsoil   |
| Contaminant(s)    | Lead and Arsenic  |
| Test scenario     | Planning: is true mean lower than critical concentration ( $\mu < C_c$ )? |
| Date              | 24.02.2021  |
| User details      | M Boughton  |

Statistics calculator (version 1)

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Project ref: Land at Clifton Han Data description: Topsoil User details: M Boughton

|   |   |                                   |  |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>Dataset</b> Arsenic                    | Use Normal distribution to t <sub>v</sub> | <b>Outliers &amp; non-detects</b> |  |
| Sample mean, $\bar{x}$ 36.722             |   | Outliers present? NO              |  |
| Sample standard deviation, s 3.7386       |   | Significance level 5%             |  |
| Sample size, n 18                         |   | Outliers removed? 0               |  |
| Critical concentration, C <sub>c</sub> 37 |   | Non-detects 0                     |  |

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| <b>Normality test</b>  | <b>Test scenario:</b> Planning: is true mean lower than critical concentration ( $\mu < C_c$ )?                     |
| Significance level: 5% | Null hypothesis: The true mean concentration is equal to or greater than the critical concentration: $\mu \geq C_c$ |
| Normal distribution    | Alternative hypothesis: The true mean concentration is less than the critical concentration: $\mu < C_c$            |
| Use: One-sample t-test |   |
|                        | <b>Evidence against Null hypothesis:</b> 62%  |
|                        | Base decision on: evidence level  |
|                        | Evidence level required: 95%  |
|                        | Balance of probability? N/A   |
|                        | Reject Null Hypothesis? No  |
|                        | <b>Not enough evidence</b>  |

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|  |   |                                   |  |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>Dataset</b> lead                        | Use Normal distribution to t <sub>v</sub> | <b>Outliers &amp; non-detects</b> |  |
| Sample mean, $\bar{x}$ 71.333              |   | Outliers present? YES             |  |
| Sample standard deviation, s 45.122        |   | Significance level 5%             |  |
| Sample size, n 18                          |   | Outliers removed? 0               |  |
| Critical concentration, C <sub>c</sub> 200 |   | Non-detects 0                     |  |

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <b>Normality test</b>   | <b>Test scenario:</b> Planning: is true mean lower than critical concentration ( $\mu < C_c$ )?                     |
| Significance level: 5%  | Null hypothesis: The true mean concentration is equal to or greater than the critical concentration: $\mu \geq C_c$ |
| Non-normal distribution | Alternative hypothesis: The true mean concentration is less than the critical concentration: $\mu < C_c$            |
| Use: Auto: Chebychev    |   |
|                         | <b>Evidence against Null hypothesis:</b> 99%  |
|                         | Base decision on: evidence level  |
|                         | Evidence level required: 95%  |
|                         | Balance of probability? N/A   |
|                         | Reject Null Hypothesis? Yes   |
|                         | <b><math>\mu &lt; C_c</math> (re this dataset)</b>  |

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