

Bicester Office Park

EIA Scoping Report

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INTRODUCTION

Site Location and Context

- Scenic Land Developments Limited (hereafter referred to as the 'Applicant') is seeking outline planning permission for the construction of a commercial scheme (hereafter referred to as the 'Proposed Development'). The site, in Cherwell District Council (CDC) is approximately 13.1 hectares (ha) and is centred on National Grid Reference 457910,221631. It is bounded by a Tesco foodstore and farmland to the north, farmland to the east, the A41 (Oxford Road) to the west and Bicester Avenue Garden Centre and more fields to the south.
- 2. Further east of the site is a railway line, and to the south a sewage treatments works. Langford Brook is located further southeast of the site and it meanders to the north of the sewage treatment works before cutting beneath the railway line and heading northwards towards the village of Langford. West of the site and the A41 is the Kingsmere Residential Estate (a phased development of 726 homes under construction) as well as Premier Inn hotel and the Brewers Fayre Pub and Restaurant. North of the Tesco foodstore is Bicester Village, an outlet shopping centre. Chesterton is located approximately 2 kilometres (km) to the west and Langford Village is located approximately 1.5km to the southwest.
- 3. The location of Bicester is shown in Figure 1. Figure 2 shows the planning application site boundary.
- 4. Given the scale of this development, the location of the Site and the potential for environmental effects, the Applicant is submitting an Environmental Statement (ES) alongside the outline planning application. Trium Environmental Consulting LLP (Trium) has been commissioned to undertake the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) on behalf of the Applicant in line with the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011 (as amended 2015) (hereafter referred to as the 'EIA Regulations') and other relevant EIA guidance.

THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

5. The Proposed Development, includes the construction of a business park comprising between 55,000 and 60,000m² office use (B1), parking for approximately 2,000 cars, associated highway, infrastructure and earthworks. The office park will be made up of differently sized buildings which will vary in height between 2 and 4 storeys and located within a landscaping space. The site will be accessed from Lakeview Drive via the signalled controlled junction with the A41 Oxford Road.

PLANNING HISTORY

- 6. Part of the site was granted outline planning permission in 2010 for the construction of a 60,000m² B1 Business Park comprising 53,000m² of B1 office space and a 7,000m² C1 hotel, served by approximately 1,837 car parking spaces (Planning Ref: 07/01106-OUT). This outine planning application was accompanied by an ES.
- 7. Detailed planning consent was subsequently granted on part of the site in November 2013 for the construction of a Tesco foodstore of 8,135m² and petrol filing station on part of the consented Business Park site (Planning Ref: 12/01193/F). The planning application in relation to the proposed Tesco foodstore was supported by a Transport Assessment which considered the effect of the Tesco foodstore on the highway network local to the site. The Tesco foodstore has been constructed and opened in April 2016. The development of the Tesco foodstore comprised the relocation and expansion of a previous Tesco foodstore which was situated adjacent to Bicester Village and the development was linked to an extension to Bicester Village, known as Bicester Village Phase 4 which is currently under construction and scheduled to be completed in October 2017 (See Table 1).



Figure 1: Site Location Map



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Figure 2: Application Site





The Purpose of Scoping in the EIA Process

- 8. EIA Scoping forms one of the first stages of the EIA process. It refers to the activity of identifying the environmental 'topics' that should be considered within the EIA. In addition, EIA Scoping allows for the early identification of the receptors that may be affected or impacted by a new development. Through consideration of environmental 'topics' and potential receptors (both existing and introduced as a result of a new development), EIA Scoping initiates the process of defining the potential for significant impacts, which in turn results in the identification of the issues to be addressed in the EIA.
- 9. Regulation 13 of the EIA Regulations allows for an Applicant to ask the Local Planning Authority, in this case CDC (who in turn seek the opinion of other relevant Statutory Consultees), to state in writing their opinion as to the scope of the EIA. This report constitutes a request for a Scoping Opinion under Regulation 13 of the EIA Regulations.
- 10. The EIA will be undertaken in accordance with the requirement of the 2011 EIA Regulations. It is recognised that on 16th May 2017, the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 come into force, however, the Transposition Note that accompanies the revised Regulations state that where an EIA Scoping Opinion is sought from a Local Authority prior to 16th May 2017, the 2011 EIA Regulations will be the overriding relevant legislation.

Structure of the Scoping Report

- 11. The remainder of the Scoping Report presents the following:
 - An overview of the existing Site and potential sensitive receptors;
 - An overview of the Proposed Development;
 - Key legislative and planning policy documents;
 - EIA Methodology;
 - A preliminary list of EIA consultees;
 - The environmental 'topics' to be addressed within the EIA;
 - The proposed structure of the ES; and
 - Summary and conclusions to the EIA Scoping Report

OVERVIEW OF THE EXISTING SITE AND SENSITIVE RECEPTORS

- 12. The land encompassing the site is currently used for agricultural purposes (Grade 4). The site is generally flat, with a slight drop to the south and east. A drainage channel runs north / south, from the access road to the southern boundary, along the north of the drainage channel is an area used for material storage. This area had plastic and concrete pipework, gravel and wood chippings. Two heaps of wood, comprising tree branches and timber up to 3m high, are in the south of the site. The site is accessed from Lakeview Drive via the signalled controlled junction with the A41 Oxford Road. Bicester village is located to the south and the site is a 10-minute walk from Bicester Town Centre.
- 13. Bicester currently extends as far south as the A4030 Middleton Stoney Road in the west and the A41 Boundary Way in the east. The two roads meet in central south Bicester at a large four arm roundabout junction, known as the "Esso" roundabout junction. Here, the A41(east Boundary Way meets the A41 (south) where it is known as Oxford Road.
- 14. On the northern side of the A41 Boundary Way, between the site and the town centre is Bicester Village, a factory outlet shopping centre which attracts a large proportion of its visitors from outside Bicester. To the west of Bicester Village, on land to the north east of the Esso Roundabout is a new Tesco which has been operational since April 2016. The Bicester Avenue Garden centre and the Tesco foodstore are the closest buildings to the site and are generally 2 storeys in height. There are established links for non-car users between the supermarket, Bicester Village, the town centre and railway stations.



- 15. Part of the site is identified by CDC as land for an Approved Employment Site and part of the site is identified as land for a New Employment site.
- 16. Traffic noise from the M40 dual carriageway to the west of the site and the Tesco foodstore to the north of the site are likely to be the dominant noise sources with the operational railway to the east of the site being secondary.
- 17. The majority of the land within the red line is designated as zone 1 –low risk of flooding with a small area on the boundary of zone 1 and zone 2. This is due to the proximity of the Langford Brook located east of the site.

Potential Environmental Sensitivities / Sensitive Receptors

- 18. When undertaking an EIA it is important to understand which receptors will be considered as part of the assessment. Initial studies and consultations have revealed the following potential sensitive receptors to the Proposed Development (as shown in Figure 2):
 - Key short, medium and long-distance views;
 - Bicester Conservation Area approximately 0.35km north of the site including listed buildings within the conservation area such as the Grade II* Old Priory and attached garden walls in Priory Lane north east of the site and the Grade II* listed Old Vicarage located in Church Street also north east of the site;
 - Ecology hedgerows and protected species (and associated habitat (if present);
 - Archaeological resources;
 - Although the site itself does not fall within an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA), Bicester Town Centre as declared an AQMA;
 - Residential Property Kingsmere Residential Estate, isolated farm properties to the east of the railway line; further residential areas to the north at The Acorn Public House, and beyond at Middleton Stoney Road;
 - Commercial Property Bicester Village Retail Park, Bicester Avenue Garden Centre; Tesco foodstore, Sewage Treatment Works
 - Water Resources Langford Brook located east of the site and two tributary streams, Pingle Stream and Town Brook, north of the site;
 - The site location adjacent to Flood Zone 2;
 - Pedestrians, cyclists and road users within proximity of the site; and
 - Public transport.



KEY LEGISLATIVE AND PLANNING POLICY DOCUMENTS

EIA Statutory Requirements and Guidance

- 19. The ES will be prepared in accordance with legislative requirements and current guidance for EIA, covered by 'statutory requirements'. In particular, the ES will be prepared with due consideration to:
 - The Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011 (as amended 2015);
 - Preparation of Environmental Statements for Planning Projects that require Environmental Assessment: Good Practice Guide, Department of the Environment (DoE) 1995;
 - Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA) Guidelines for Environmental Impact Assessment, 2004; and
 - Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) Environmental Impact Assessment A Guide to Procedures, 2000.
- Consideration will also be given to the new Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Directive (2014/52/EU) although this currently awaiting formal adoption in the United Kingdom (England and Wales).

Planning Policy Context

21. Each of the technical chapters contained within the ES will include reference to relevant national, regional and local planning policy, a summary of which is given below.

National Planning Policy and Guidance

- 22. The EIA will have regard to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) (2012), which replaces the previous suite of national Planning Policy Statements and Planning Policy Guidance documents.
- 23. The policies contained within the NPPF articulate the Government's vision of sustainable development, which should be interpreted and applied locally to meet local aspirations.
- 24. It will also take into consideration the national Planning Practice Guidance (PPG).

Local Planning Policy and Guidance

- 25. The EIA will consider the Cherwell Local Plan 2011 2031, Part 1 Adopted 20 July 2015 (incorporating Policy Bicester 13 re-adopted on 19 December 2016), July 2015, Cherwell District Council, North Oxfordshire which sets out the vision and spatial strategy for Cherwell District.
- 26. It will also take into account the Bicester Masterplan, Consultation Draft, August 2012, Supplementary Planning Document, which incorporates a detailed set of proposals for connecting the transport and movement, housing, employment, green infrastructure and the town centre actions together. The draft masterplan indicates where and what type of new development is proposed and the strategic linkages between them.

EIA METHODOLOGY

- 27. This section outlines the methodology to be used throughout the ES.
- 28. The EIA will address the direct effects of the Proposed Development in addition to the indirect, cumulative, short, medium and long term, permanent, temporary, beneficial and adverse likely significant effects arising from the Proposed Development. The main mitigation measures envisaged in order to avoid, reduce or remedy significant adverse effects will be described. The concluding chapters will provide a summary of the cumulative and residual effects of the Proposed Development.
- 29. Each technical chapter of the ES will define the baseline against which the potential significant environmental effects of the Proposed Development will be assessed. The baseline conditions will be



taken as the current (2016) conditions on site i.e. the existing buildings. Where relevant and appropriate, a 'future baseline' scenario will be identified for some ES topics, such as Transport. The transport future baseline considers the conditions when the full Proposed Development is expected to open and may consider other developments and any highway improvements that are considered to have an impact on the study area. Any reference to and inclusion of a future baseline will be fully explained within the relevant ES chapter.

30. Following on from the definition of the baseline conditions, the impact of the Proposed Development will be assessed during the demolition and construction phase and on completion and occupation of the Proposed Development. Mitigation measures will be identified to either eliminate, mitigate or reduce adverse effects and following the incorporation of mitigation measures, the significance of any remaining residual effects will be defined by applying a standard set of significance criteria. Interactions between effects will then be assessed (see below for further details).

Significance Criteria

- 31. For each technical chapter, the significance of effects will be evaluated with reference to definitive standards, accepted criteria and legislation where available. Where it has not been possible to quantify effects, qualitative assessments will be carried out, based on expert opinion and professional judgement. Where uncertainty exists, this will be noted in the relevant chapter of the ES.
- 32. Specific significance criteria for each technical discipline will be developed, giving due regard to the following:
 - Extent and magnitude of the impact;
 - Effect duration (whether short, medium or long-term);
 - Effect nature (whether direct, indirect, reversible or irreversible);
 - Whether the effect occurs in isolation, is cumulative or interactive;
 - Performance against any relevant environmental quality standards;
 - Sensitivity of the receptor; and
 - Compatibility with environmental policies.
- 33. In order to provide a consistent approach across the different technical disciplines addressed within the ES, the following terminology will be used throughout the ES to define residual effects (i.e. the effect post the application of any required additional mitigation measures):
 - Adverse Detrimental or negative effects to an environmental resource or receptor; or
 - Negligible Imperceptible effects to an environmental resource or receptor; or
 - Beneficial Advantageous or positive effect to an environmental resource or receptor.
- 34. Where adverse or beneficial effects are identified, these will be assessed against the following scale:
 - Minor; or
 - Moderate; or
 - Major.
- 35. In general, residual effects found to be 'moderate' or 'major' are deemed to be 'significant'. Effects found to be 'minor' are considered to be 'not significant', although they may be a matter of local concern. 'Negligible' effects are considered to be 'not significant' and not a matter of local concern. Each technical chapter of the ES will provide further explanation and definition on the scale of effect significance, i.e. minor through to major. Broadly, short to long-term (temporary) effects will be considered to be those associated with the construction phase and permanent effects will be those associated with the completed operational Proposed Development. Local effects will be defined as those affecting the Site and neighbouring receptors, whilst effects upon receptors in the CDC will be considered to be at a district



level. Effects affecting Oxfordshire will be considered to be at a regional level, whilst effects, which affect different parts of the country, or England as a whole, will be considered to be at a national level.

- 36. Mitigation measures will then be identified to either eliminate or reduce adverse effects. These will be incorporated into either the design of the Proposed Development; construction commitments or operational or managerial standards/procedures.
- 37. Where mitigation measures are inherent (e.g. industry standard best practice) this will be outlined up front in the ES Chapter and included within the assessment of effects.

Environmental Design and Management Measures

- 38. Throughout the ES, where applicable, the way that potential environmental effects have been or will be avoided, prevented, reduced or offset through design and / or management measures will be described. These are measures that are inherent in the design and construction of the Proposed Development and include measures such as the implementation of an Environmental Management Plan (CEMP). Proposed environmental enhancements will also be described, where applicable.
- 39. These design measures will be considered prior to the assessment of effects to avoid considering assessment scenarios that are unrealistic in practice i.e. do not take account of such measures even though they are likely to be standard practice. These will then be followed through the assessment to ensure that realistic likely environmental effects are identified.

Cumulative Effect Assessment

- 40. In accordance with the EIA Regulations, the EIA will give consideration to 'cumulative effects'. By definition these are effects that result from incremental changes caused by other past, present or reasonably foreseeable actions together with the Proposed Development. For the cumulative assessment, two types of effect will be considered:
 - The combined effect of individual impacts, for example noise, airborne dust or traffic on a single receptor; and
 - The combined effects of nearby consented or under construction development schemes, which may, on an individual basis be insignificant but, cumulatively, have a likely significant effect.
- 41. An assessment of the combined effects of individual impacts will be undertaken and presented within the 'Effect Interactions' Chapter of the ES. The combined effects of nearby consented or under construction development schemes will be presented in each technical assessment.
- 42. With regard to the combined effects of nearby consented schemes, in order to ascertain if there were any schemes in the vicinity that could potentially lead to cumulative environmental effects a search of the local planning registers was undertaken with the following criteria:
 - Developments with planning permission (or with a resolution to grant consent), those under construction and those with site allocation status;
 - Development located within an approximate 4km radius of the Site; and
 - Developments resulting in an increase of more than 10,000m² gross external area (GEA) in floor area (or over 50 residential units).
- 43. Bicester Village Phase 4, although, under the 10,000m² criteria has also been included due to its proximity to the site. Table 1 lists the proposed cumulative scheme and Figure 1 shows their approximate locations.



	Site	Proposal / Description	Status	Approximate distance from site
1	SE Bicester Extension	Site Allocation – Bicester 12: A mixed use site for employment and residential development to the east of the ring road to the south east of Bicester for 1,500 homes	Site Allocation	5km
2	NW Bicester Extension	Site Allocation – Bicester 1: A new zero carbon(i) mixed use development including 6,000 homes will be developed on land identified at North West Bicester.	Site Allocation	2.9km
3	Kingsmere Residential Estate	Site Allocation – Bicester 3: A development of 726 homes with associated services, facilities and other infrastructure with contributions toward community facilities, education, health, and open space. The development area is 29ha.	Site Allocation	700m
4	Bicester Village Phase 4	5,181m ² GIA of retail floorspace and 147 car parking spaces	Permission granted November 2016	200m
5	Bicester Gateway Retail	Outline application for 4 no. Class A1 units (7,840m ² GIA); 1 Class A3 unit (435m ² GIA); and 1 Class D2 unit (967m ² GIA) with car parking area (345 spaces)	Resolution to grant at April 13 th committee.	0.8km
6	Wretchwick Green, Wretchwick Way, Bicester	Outline application for up to 1,500 new dwellings; up to 18ha of employment land (B1 / B8 use); a local centre; a new primary school; and landscaping and infrastructure works	Determination deadline was 28 September 2016, decision is outstanding due to holding objections	5km
7	Graven Hill	Future phases in relation to reserved matters approval (15/02159/OUT) 2,100 homes	RMA approved, NMA to increase GIA figures was permitted March 2017.	3.7km
8	Gateway Office Park	Phase 1 comprising Class B1 employment buildings (up to 14,972m ² GEA); a hotel (up to 149 beds); and associated infrastructure and car parking.	Resolution to grant at April 13 th committee.	0.8km

Table 1: Propose	d Cumulative	Schemes	for	Assessment
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Consideration of Climate Change within the EIA

- 44. The key climate projections for the UK (UKCP09) are that:
 - Summers will become hotter and drier;
 - Winters will become milder and wetter;
 - Soils will become drier on average;
 - Snowfall and the number of very cold days will decrease;
 - Sea levels will rise; and
 - Storms, heavy and extreme rainfall, and extreme winds will become more frequent.
- 45. The climate change projections and climate change impacts, adaptation and mitigation measures will be considered within the appropriate sections of the ES, and other supporting planning documents.
- 46. During construction, the main measures to mitigate climate change will be considered in terms of reducing carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from equipment, and reducing, reusing and recycling site waste where possible. This will be discussed in the 'Construction' chapter of the ES. For design related construction impacts, such as the choice of building materials, this will be considered throughout the design process to reduce its impact on climate change.
- 47. For the operational phase, the potential for the Proposed Development to adapt to and mitigate climate change will predominantly relate to reducing pollutant emissions to air through reducing the need to travel (especially by car), reducing the amount of pollutant emissions from any proposed energy use, reducing the volume of water usage, and reducing the potential impacts from flood risk. Ultimately, climate change as a result of the operation of a Proposed Development is detailed within Cherwell's Low Carbon Environmental Strategy highlights the common need to improve energy efficiency, reduce carbon emissions, encourage the take-up of low carbon and renewable energy technologies, and reduce the need to travel and provide good access to public and other sustainable modes of transport. It notes the need to conserve water, to minimise flood risk, and to be resilient to the impacts of climate change. Cherwell also have a long term vision to be carbon neutral as set out in the District's Sustainable Communities Strategy published in 2009.
- 48. To inform this process, a Transport Assessment and Flood Risk Assessment will be submitted in support of the outline planning application.

EIA CONSULTATION

- 49. The process of consultation is important to the development of a comprehensive and balanced ES. Views of the interested parties serve to focus the environmental studies and to identify specific issues that require further investigation.
- 50. Consultees involved in the evolution of the design of the Proposed Development and preliminary assessment of environmental effects will include, but are not limited to:
 - Cherwell District Council;
 - Oxfordshire County Council (OCC);
 - Environment Agency (EA);
 - Historic England (HE);
 - Natural England (NE);
 - Thames Water Utilities Limited (TWUL); and
 - Neighbourhood / residents associations.



51. Consultation is an ongoing process and will be fed back into the design of the Proposed Development. A summary of the key consultation responses received from consultees which are relevant to the EIA process will be included within the ES.

ENVIRONMENTAL TOPICS TO BE ADDRESSED WITHIN THE EIA

Introduction

- 52. The EIA and associated technical studies will reflect current guidelines and relevant legislation and will be carried out in accordance with statutory guidance, including the requirements for the contents of an ES. For the EIA to be an effective decision-making tool, the ES needs to focus on the main or *likely significant environmental effects*, within a range of topics. These issues have been identified through a review of existing information, baseline studies and preliminary review of the emerging Proposed Development.
- 53. The EIA will consider the potential significant effects associated with the following environmental 'topics':
 - Socio-economics;
 - Traffic and Transportation;
 - Noise and Vibration;
 - Air Quality;
 - Buried Heritage (Archaeology) and Built Heritage;
 - Ecology; and
 - Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment.
- 54. The following sub-sections of this Scoping Report provide details on each of the above environmental 'topics', specifically, the works proposed to fulfil the requirements of the EIA process. In addition to the above, the following chapters will be provided as part of the ES:
 - Introduction to the Environmental Statement;
 - EIA Methodology (see below for further details);
 - Alternative and Design Evolution (including the 'Do Nothing Scenario', 'Alternative Sites' and 'Alternative Designs');
 - The Proposed Development (including information on drainage infrastructure and flood risk);
 - Construction;
 - Effect Interactions; and
 - Residual Effects and Conclusions.

Alternatives Assessment

- 55. The EIA process provides an opportunity to consider alternative development options with their respective environmental effects before a final decision is taken on the design. In accordance with the EIA Regulations and statutory guidance, the ES will describe those alternatives that were considered by the Applicant, project team and architects, including:
 - 'Do nothing scenario' the consequences of no redevelopment taking place on the site;
 - 'Alternative sites' the rationale behind choosing the site. It will be outlined that alternative sites have not been considered by the Applicant as there are very few sites suitable for development in the area which will meet all the requirements of the Applicant's Development Brief; and
 - 'Alternative designs' the ES will summarise the evolution of the design of the Proposed Development; the modifications which have taken place to date and the environmental considerations which have led to those modifications. A summary of the main alternatives



considered, such as alternative use combinations, and massing will be presented together with a summary justification for the final design.

Construction

- 56. The ES will provide details of an indicative construction programme together with proposed construction activities and methods, and their anticipated duration. This is commensurate with the outline nature of the Proposed Development. Information will be provided on, but not limited to site preparation and construction, including: site access and egress; materials and waste management; land or soil remediation and working hours. Details of any assumptions made will be provided.
- 57. Estimates of the quantities of materials to be used throughout the construction phase will be considered, and an estimate of the peak periods of daily heavy goods vehicle (HGV) movements will be provided.
- 58. The ES will define and assess the potential effects of a reasonable worst-case scenario. The peak period or level of activity will be assessed in terms of traffic, noise and air quality effects. The peak period will be defined on the basis of the maximum number of HGV movements and an indication of the plant and equipment location on-site in relation to the excavation and construction boundary.
- 59. The Construction ES Chapter will present the broad content of a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP). The mitigation measures identified as a result of the site preparation, excavation and construction assessment will be presented within the ES for future inclusion within a CEMP, to be agreed with CDC as part of any futured detailed reserved matters application(s) or planning condition(s). It is likely that specific mitigation measures will be defined to reduce effects specifically on or arising from:
 - Site preparation, excavation and construction traffic and workforce presence on-site;
 - Working close to neighbouring boundaries;
 - Site access and egress (including mitigation for any loss of public right of way and road closures);
 - Noise and vibration;
 - Soil removal and land contamination;
 - Water usage and site drainage;
 - Energy usage and monitoring;
 - Emission of dust and other pollutants; and
 - Waste generation, management and disposal.
- 60. The mitigation measures and outline CEMP will take account of the requirements of the London Councils' guidance on 'The Control of Dust and Emissions from Construction and Demolition' (2006).

Socio-economics

- 61. The Proposed Development will create between 55,000 and 60,000m² gross internal area of new commercial floor space (B1a office) and will make a major contribution to the local and wider sub-regional economies. Once it is fully occupied, Bicester Office Park will be a key employment hub, generating significant gross value added to the local and sub-regional economies.
- 62. The Proposed Development is expected to generate a range of socio-economic effects, some of which would be temporary, whilst others would be long-term and permanent.

- 63. The temporary socio-economic effects will include:
 - Temporary employment created during the construction phase of the redevelopment;
 - Gross value added to the local economy by the temporary construction employment; and



- Construction training opportunities.
- 64. The permanent socio-economic effects will include:
 - Employment generation, including direct jobs created on site and associated indirect/induced employment created through multiplier effects;
 - Gross value added to the local economy by the net additional employment created;
 - Training and skills development opportunities;
 - Additional local spending by office workers; and
 - The provision of amenity space for office users.
- 65. The socio-economic assessment, undertaken by Indigo Planning, will include a high-level review of the relevant planning, economic development and regeneration policies. The purpose of the policy review will be to understand the key strategic regeneration outcomes sought for the local area. The assessment will consider whether the socio-economic impacts of the Proposed Development are well aligned with the overall direction of policy.
- 66. The socio-economic assessment will identify and interpret baseline information on a variety of indicators. The socio-economic indicators will be grouped into a number of subject areas that address a broad range of outcomes typically associated with major development proposals. Taken together, these subject areas provide a robust indication of the socio-economic strengths and weaknesses of a local area.
- 67. The main subject areas to consider will be as follows:
 - Population and demographic change;
 - Economic activity;
 - Education and skills;
 - Housing;
 - Health conditions; and
 - Deprivation and poverty
- 68. Data will be obtained from a variety of sources, including the 2011 Census, the Office for National Statistics, the National Online Manpower Information Service (NOMIS) and the Indices of Multiple Deprivation for 2015 which enable data to be provided at the very small area level.
- 69. An assessment of effects will be undertaken to assess the impact of the Proposed Development on the baseline conditions. The methodology for assessing socio-economic impacts will follow standard EIA guidance and will entail:
 - Consideration of local policy, plans and development constraints;
 - Review of baseline conditions at the Proposed Development Site area, locality and Oxfordshire;
 - Assessment of the likely scale, permanence and significance of effects associated with:
 - o Direct, indirect and induced employment during the construction phase of the scheme; and
 - o Direct, indirect, and induced net employment once the scheme is operational.
 - Identification of avoidance and mitigation measures (if and where relevant) and thus an assessment
 of the residual effects of the development.
- 70. Wherever possible the impacts of the socio-economic assessment will be appraised against relevant national standards. Where no standards exist, professional experience and judgement will be applied and justified.



Determination of Significance and Classification of Effects

- 71. Policy thresholds and best practice will be used to assess the significance of the effects. In the absence of specific guidance on assigning significance, professional judgement will be used to assess the impact of the Proposed Development on the social and economic baseline. The assessment will aim to be objective and quantify impacts and their effects as far as possible. However, some impacts can only be evaluated on a qualitative basis.
- 72. Effects will be assessed based on:
 - Magnitude of change this entails consideration of the absolute number of people or businesses affected and the size of area in which impacts will be experienced;
 - Scale of the impact this entails consideration of the relative magnitude of each effect in its relevant context (for example, the impacts on local employment will be considered in the context of the overall size of the local labour market); and
 - Scope for adjustment or mitigation the assessment will be concerned in part with economies. These adjust themselves continually to changes in supply and demand, and the scope for the changes brought about by the Proposed Development to be accommodated by market adjustment will therefore be a criterion in assessing significance.

Traffic and Transportation

Summary Baseline Context

- 73. The site is accessed from Lakeview Drive via the signalled controlled junction with the A41 Oxford Road. The A41 Oxford Road runs on a broadly north-south alignment and connects north to Bicester town and south to the M40.
- 74. At the north-east corner of the site, the A41 Oxford Road connects with the A41 at a junction known as the Esso roundabout. The A41 links east from The Esso roundabout towards Aylesbury. North of the A41 junction, Oxford Road forms a junction with Pingle Drive which provides access to the Bicester Village shopping park.
- 75. The consented development proposals for Bicester Village Phase 4 and the constructed Tesco foodstore included a package of highway works which are currently under construction and are expected to be completed by September 2017. The highway works include improvements to the Oxford Road junctions with Pingle Drive, Esso roundabout and Lakeview Drive.
- 76. Local Pedestrian Network Footways are provided along both sides of the site access as well as the eastern side of the A41, Oxford Road. These connect with the existing pedestrian network on Oxford Road and Pringle Drive offering access to the residential developments to the north as well as Bicester Village to the north east.
- 77. Local Cycle Network The site is well located with regard to National Cycle Network Route 51, a signed route along Wendlebury Road and Pingle Drive in the immediate vicinity of the site. This route connects the area to Oxford to the south and Bedford via Bletchley to the north east.
- 78. Local Bus Network The nearest bus stops to the site are located approximately 500 metres to the north on Oxford Road and are served by the S5 and X5 services. The S5 operates every 15 minutes Monday to Friday and every 30 minutes on Saturdays and Sundays between Oxford City Centre and Launton, as well as the Bicester Park & Ride facility. The X5 operates twice an hour on weekdays and hourly on weekends between Cambridge Parkside Bus Station and Oxford City Centre via Milton Keynes Railway Station.
- 79. A further bus stop is located on Pringle Drive approximately 800 metres to the north east and is served by the Bicester Village Shuttle operating towards Bicester North Railway Station.
- 80. Local Rail Network The nearest station is Bicester Village Railway Station located approximately 1.4 kilometres to the north east of the site. Bicester Village Station is located on the Oxford to London Marylebone line with services operating in each direction every 30 minutes. Bicester North Railway



Station is located approximately 1.8 kilometres to the north of the site and offers connections to London Marylebone, Banbury and Birmingham Moor Street and Snow Hill. Services run up to twice per hour in

- 81. The Transport Assessment, carried out by Motion, will consider the effect of the development proposals on the highway network local to the site.
- 82. It is proposed that the following scope of junctions are considered within the scope of the Transport Assessment and included with junction capacity modelling:
 - Oxford Road/ Middleton Stoney Road;
 - Oxford Road / Pingle Drive roundabout;
 - Oxford Road / A41 signalised roundabout;
 - Oxford Road (A41) / Lakeview Drive signalised junction (site access junction);
 - Oxford Road (A41) / Kingsmere signalised junction; and,
 - Oxford Road (A41)/ Vendee Drive
- 83. The Traffic and Transport Assessment will consider a future assessment year of 2022. Forecast traffic for the future assessment year of 2022 will be determined by applying traffic growth factors derived from TEMPRO. In addition to TEMPRO growth factors, the future year assessment will consider committed developments in the vicinity of the site. The committed developments considered as part of the assessment are listed in Table 1.
- 84. Expected trip generation and distribution of trips associated with each of the committed developments will be extracted from the Transport Assessments submitted alongside each of the approved planning applications.
- 85. It is noted that the Kingsmere Residential Estate is part built out and therefore traffic flows associated with part of the development will already be on the highway network and included within the surveyed traffic flows. For the purpose of assessing outstanding consented development, consideration will be given to the remaining elements of the Kingsmere Residential Estate which are yet to be constructed.
- 86. Traffic growth factors derived from TEMPRO include assessment of traffic growth as a result of expected committed developments in the local area. To this extent, applying by TEMPRO growth factors and including traffic associated identified committed developments to baseline traffic flows will result in double-counting of likely traffic growth on the highway network and over-estimate future year traffic flows. On that basis traffic growth factors derived from TEMPRO will be adjusted, on the basis of the consented development proposals being considered separately, in order to minimise the likelihood of double-counting of likely traffic growth.
- 87. In order to consider the trip attraction of the development proposals the industry standard TRICS database will be used in order to assess the likely vehicle trips associated with the development proposals during the morning and evening peak hours and throughout the day.
- 88. In order to assess the distribution of vehicle trips on the highway network local to the site, journey to work data from the 2011 Census data will be interrogated to establish the likely origins of employees at the proposed Office Park. Vehicle trips will be routed between census origins to the development, based on online mapping route calculation.
- 89. As detailed in the IEMA 'Guidance for Environmental Impact Assessment' mode specific significance criteria will be used to assess the environmental effects associated with changes in traffic as a result of the Proposed Development. In accordance with relevant guidance, each of the following environmental effects will be considered:
 - Delay;
 - Severance;



- Amenity, Fear and Intimidation; and
- Accidents and safety.
- 90. The potential effects of the Proposed Development will be considered in the following scenarios;
 - Existing baseline year;
 - Do nothing year, future baseline without the development;
 - Do something year, future baseline with the development in place
- 91. In accordance with the IEMA guidance consideration will be given to two rules to define the scale and extent of assessment and these are:
 - Rule 1: include highway links where traffic flows will increase by more than 30%, or where the number of HGVs increase by more than 30%;
 - Rule 2; include highway links that are particularly sensitive to the Proposed Development where traffic flows have increased by 10% or more.
- 92. The environmental effects of the developments will be judged in terms of its likely effect on service, delay, amenity, fear and intimidation and accidents and safety. The scope of assessment will be considered where there is a 30% increase or greater in traffic flow or where the increase in HGV movements is 30% or greater. Additional extent of highway network will be considered where they are deemed to be sensitive and where the increase in traffic is 10% or more.
- 93. Each of the potential environmental effects associated with the Proposed Development will be considered based on the following scale; major adverse, moderate adverse, minor adverse, negligible, minor beneficial, moderate beneficial or major beneficial.

Noise and Vibration

Summary Baseline Context

- 94. The current primary noise source at the Site and surrounding area is traffic noise on the local road network, along with existing commercial and retail uses in the vicinity.
- 95. Noise monitoring will be undertaken at agreed locations to represent the nearest sensitive receptors, likely to be to the west of the site towards the A41 and the east of the site towards the railway line, along with the northern edge of the site in proximity to the Tesco foodstore.

- 96. Potential noise effects may occur at existing residential and commercial uses due to the Proposed Development as a result of:
 - Construction activities;
 - Changes in road traffic flows;
 - Car Parking and other activity associated with the Proposed Development; and
 - Fixed plant associated with the Proposed Development.
- 97. The site is not subject to any existing sources of vibration that could have amenity implications. Construction is unlikely to take place sufficiently close to residential properties or for a sufficient length of time, as to give rise to vibration that could have amenity of structural implications. The operational development is unlikely to give rise to any vibration that would be measurable beyond the site boundary. It is not proposed, therefore, to undertake any further assessment of vibration.
- 98. A construction noise assessment will be undertaken based on construction activity, plant use and traffic movement information. Depending on the availability of details of likely construction equipment, some quantitative analysis may be possible, but the focus will be on mitigation measures to be included in the CEMP. Noise levels at receptors will be calculated using BS 5228-1:2009 (and update A1 2014 Part 1)



Noise) data and procedures. From the results of the construction noise assessment, preliminary mitigation measures will be advised in line with BS 5228 and CDC planning policy.

- 99. Noise from the operation of the Proposed Development will be assessed in line with BS 4142:2014 where applicable, along with guidance contained in the World Health Organisation "Guidelines for Community Noise" and Planning Practice Guidance on Noise.
- 100. Building services noise associated with the operation of the Proposed Development will be assessed in line with BS 4142:2014 and limits recommended such that noise does not exceed the typical LA90 background noise level. The plant on the Proposed Development will be selected and attenuated to achieve these limits during the design development.
- 101. Noise levels associated with construction traffic and future operational traffic flows will be assessed in line with Calculation of Road Traffic Noise (CRTN) issued by the Department of Transport in 1988. The significance of the impact on road traffic noise levels will be assessed based on a range of relevant guidance including the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges (DMRB) and mitigation measures detailed where necessary.
- 102. Receptors currently identified at scoping stage include:
 - Kingsmere Residential Estate;
 - Isolated farm properties to the east of the railway line; and
 - Further residential areas to the north at The Acorn Public House, and beyond at Middleton Stoney Road
- 103. These receptors will be considered within the design development of the Proposed Development and assessed within the Noise Assessment submitted as part of the ES.
- 104. The Proposed Development has the potential to affect existing noise sensitive properties from increases in road traffic noise due to increased traffic flows generated by the Proposed Development.
- 105. In addition, during construction, there is potential for noise impacts at noise sensitive properties.
- 106. The operation of the Proposed Development is unlikely to give rise to any other significant effects, but operational noise from car parking and other commercial activity will be assessed.
- 107. Where required, mitigation measures will be recommended for both the construction and operational phases. This is likely to amount to measures to be included in the CEMP and any traffic management measures. There is unlikely to be a need for significant mitigation measures and noise impacts from the Proposed Development are expected to be low.

Air Quality

Summary Baseline Context

108. CDC monitors concentrations of nitrogen dioxide (NO2) using 42 passive diffusion tubes throughout the District. This includes eight locations in Bicester town centre, all within 2 km of the site of Proposed Development. Monitoring data for the year 2015 at these locations indicate that annual mean concentrations of NO2 are above or just below the objective along Queens Avenue, Field Street and the B4100, while well below the objective elsewhere. Four Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs) have been declared to date in the District, including one in Bicester town centre, declared for exceedances of the annual mean NO2 objective (Cherwell District Council, 2016). Current and future air quality conditions at the site of Proposed Development will be determined through detailed dispersion modelling, as described below.

- 109. Potential air quality impacts will be considered in relation to the construction and operational phases of the Proposed Development include:
 - Impacts of dust emissions during the construction phase of the Proposed Development;



- Impacts of heavy duty vehicles and non-road mobile machinery emissions during the construction phase of the Proposed Development; and
- Impacts of road traffic emissions generated by the Proposed Development when operational.
- 110. The scope of the air quality assessment will include:
 - The determination of baseline air quality conditions through examination of local monitoring data and other publicly available data;
 - The identification of relevant sensitive receptor locations for the construction and operational phases of the Proposed Development;
 - A qualitative assessment of impacts of the Proposed Development on dust soiling and concentrations of PM10 during the construction period;
 - Consideration of potential impacts from heavy duty vehicles and non-road mobile machinery during the construction period; and
 - A quantitative assessment of the impacts of the operation of the Proposed Development on concentrations of NO2, PM10 and PM2.5 from road traffic in the proposed year of opening.

Construction Impacts

- 111. The potential impacts from dust generated during the construction phase of the Proposed Development will be considered using an approach based on the Institute of Air Quality Management (IAQM) Guidance for assessing impacts from construction activities (IAQM, 2014). Cumulative impacts arising from committed developments being constructed in the study area concurrently to the construction of the Proposed Development will also be considered.
- 112. Construction plant emissions will not be explicitly modelled, as relevant guidance from the IAQM (IAQM, 2014) states that "experience from assessing the exhaust emissions from on-site plant (also known as non-road mobile machinery or NRMM) [...] suggests that they are unlikely to make a significant impact on local air quality and in the vast majority of cases they will not need to be quantitatively assessed". However, suitable mitigation measures for site plant will be presented as part of the mitigation measures based on advice presented in the IAQM guidance.
- 113. The number of heavy duty vehicles that will be in operation during the construction phase of the Proposed Development will be considered in the context of the guidance from IAQM and Environmental Protection UK (EPUK & IAQM) (2017) and the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges (DMRB) (Highways Agency, 2007). As the Proposed Development is not anticipated to lead to an increase in heavy duty vehicles that would be capable of having a significant impact on air quality, it is expected that such impacts will be screened out of the air quality assessment.

Operational Impacts

- 114. The dispersion model ADMS-Roads will be used to quantify the impacts that road traffic emissions associated with the operation of the Proposed Development will have on concentrations of NO2, PM10 and PM2.5 at selected sensitive receptor locations.
- 115. The scenarios that will be considered as part the assessment will include:
 - Current baseline scenario (for model verification purposes);
 - Opening Year without the proposed development, including committed developments; and
 - Opening Year with the proposed development, including committed developments.
- 116. Suitable receptor locations will be identified based upon detailed maps and photographs. Background pollutant concentrations will be determined using data derived from the Background Maps published by Defra (Defra, 2015).
- 117. The assessment will include a sensitivity test for the prediction of NO2 road traffic impacts to address elevated real-world nitrogen oxides emissions from certain diesel vehicles. This test will be carried out



by applying adjustments to the 'official' emission factors and will represent a reasonable worst-case upper-bound to the assessment.

- 118. Meteorological data will be taken either from Bedford or Benson meteorological stations, or any other suitable site identified through discussions with the local authority. The year of meteorological data to be used in the dispersion model will be selected to match the latest year with available local monitoring data.
- 119. Baseline model output will be verified against appropriate monitoring data from the local authority, and an adjustment factor will be determined, in line with the methodology set out in the LAQM TG (16) guidance document (Defra, 2016).
- 120. The opening year 'without development' and 'with development' scenarios will both include vehicle trips associated with general growth from the baseline situation and also relevant committed developments. The opening year 'with development' scenarios will also include additional traffic associated with the Proposed Development. The inclusion of relevant committed developments in the traffic data utilised in the assessment will allow an inherently cumulative assessment of the Proposed Development to be undertaken.
- 121. The predicted concentrations will be compared with the relevant air quality objectives and any exceedances will be highlighted. The significance of the impacts will be evaluated using criteria recommended by the IAQM & EPUK
- 122. Appropriate mitigation measures, as listed in the IAQM guidance document on construction dust, will be proposed for the construction phase of the Proposed Development, based on the level of risk identified by the construction dust assessment.

Buried Heritage (Archaeology) and Built Heritage

Summary Baseline Context

- 123. The site has been the subject of numerous previous archaeological investigations which have indicated the archaeological potential of the site and the surrounding area. An archaeological trial trench evaluation was undertaken across the site and the area to its north, where the Tesco foodstore was subsequently constructed, in September and October 2007. This evaluation identified a quantity of exceptionally well preserved Mesolithic flint, which suggests the presence of in situ prehistoric deposits in the vicinity. Possible evidence of late prehistoric and Roman settlement was also encountered, including post holes and drip gullies that could potentially be associated with circular buildings. Boundary ditches were also identified. While some of these ditches were clearly post-medieval in date, others could potentially be of late prehistoric origin. AOC undertook detailed archaeological investigations on the Tesco foodstore site between November 2013 and January 2014. The excavations revealed a sequence of at least seven Bronze Age buildings and associated activity on either side of a relict watercourse. The buildings were represented by postholes; forming two roundhouses that were kept in good repair and rebuilt, probably across generations, and are likely to represent elements of a farmstead. The relative permanence of settlement is also indicated by the presence of three cremation burials at the top of the hill above the farmstead. Other postholes represented fences, which may have enclosed stock enclosures or settlement boundaries on flat ground either side of a river. Roman and post-medieval features were also identified on the site.
- 124. Ordnance Survey mapping from 1875 depicts the known location of a Roman Road along the western boundary of the site, along the current line of the Oxford Road, A41. In the middle of the first century AD the Romans established and fortified the town of Alchester at the intersection of Akeman Street and a road from Towcester to Dorchester, a location approximately 1km south of the site.
- 125. The only Scheduled Monument within the 1km study area is the aforementioned Alchester Roman Site. There are 116 Listed Buildings within the 1km study area; all but two of these are Grade II Listed and most are located north of the site within the Conservation Area at Bicester. The Grade II* Old Priory and attached garden walls is located in priory Lane north east of the site and the Grade II* Listed Old Vicarage is located in Church Street also north east of the site.



- 126. Groundworks required for the Proposed Development have the potential to impact directly upon known buried archaeological remains present within the site and as such direct effects will be considered in the ES.
- 127. Indirect effects can have a variety of forms, if the Proposed Development affects the water table, it could potentially damage the preservation of organic remains within buried archaeological contexts beyond its boundaries. The majority of indirect affects result from changes to the settings of heritage assets and the Proposed Development also has the potential to indirectly affect the settings of designated heritage assets including Scheduled Monuments, Listed Buildings, Conservation Areas, Registered Battlefields and Registered Parks and Gardens. Designated heritage assets up to 1 km distant from the site will initially be identified. Those whose setting could potentially be impacted by the Proposed Development will be considered in detail in the assessment. The assessment will also consider the potential for non-visual settings effects, such as that which could potentially result from elevated traffic, lighting and noise.
- 128. The ES chapter will be prepared by AOC Archaeology Group and will conform to the standards of professional conduct outlined in the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' Code of Conduct, the CIfA Standard and Guidance for Commissioning Work on, or Providing Consultancy Advice on, Archaeology and the Historic Environment, the CIfA Standards and Guidance for Historic Environment Desk Based Assessments and Field Evaluations.
- 129. The ES chapter will comply with National Planning Policy and Guidance on cultural heritage as contained within NPPF (2012) and Historic England Good Practice Advice notes as well as local planning policy represented by The Cherwell Local Plan, 2011-2031.
- 130. The primary source of information for the presence and significance of known non-designated historic/archaeological remains in the area will be the Oxfordshire Historic Environment Record and evaluation reports from previous archaeological works within and adjacent to the site. Up to date information on Scheduled Monuments, Listed Buildings, Registered Battlefields and Registered Parks and Gardens along with GIS shapefiles recording their locations and extent will be obtained from Historic England's Designation Data Download Area. Information on Conservation Areas, including their boundaries and character appraisals will be obtained from CDC.
- 131. All heritage assets within a distance of up to 1km from the site boundary will be identified within the ES. This will allow for an assessment of direct impacts and indirect impacts upon setting. An assessment of the potential for hitherto unknown archaeological remains to survive on the site will also be made. The need to assess any assets beyond the 1km study area will be identified through Scoping Opinions and consultation.
- 132. The submitted ES chapter will fully describe the baseline historic environment conditions, collating the results of desk-based data gathering, map regression, the examination of aerial photographs held by Historic England Archives, Swindon and a walkover survey. It will identify areas where the Proposed Development may impact upon heritage assets and include a constraints map for direct impacts. The ES chapter will provide and assessment of the identified designated heritage assets in the area surrounding the site which could be subject to potential effects upon setting.
- 133. Appendix 1 outlines the proposed detailed methodology for assessing effects upon heritage assets both direct and indirect. It takes account of NPPF, its practice guide and Historic England's Good Practice Advice Note 3: the setting of heritage assets (Historic England 2015).
- 134. Where significant effects are identified the ES chapter will put forward mitigation proposals. These proposals will seek to avoid or reduce identified effects. Where it is impossible to avoid or reduce the level of effect the ES chapter will considered the potential to offset any significant effects.

Ecology

Summary Baseline Context

135. Prime Environment Ltd have undertaken a Preliminary Ecological Appraisal of the application site (See Appendix 2). The survey aimed to inform the scope for any further works that may be required in the assessment of ecological effects arising from the Proposed Development. The survey found that the site is predominantly an intensively managed arable field, currently under a grass crop. The site also includes wet and dry ditches, hedgerows and mature boundary trees. One hedgerow qualifies as



important under the hedgerow regulations and the ditches were relatively species rich containing emergent and swamp vegetation. The habitats are described more fully in the PEA document.

- 136. Full desk study data has not yet been received, but there are no statutory designated sites that are likely to be effected by the proposals. Bicester Wetland Reserve is 280m from the site.
- 137. There are a number of ponds nearby which are suitable to support great crested newts. Drift net and pitfall trapping surveys were undertaken for great crested newts in terrestrial habitats at the site in 2006, but none were found.
- 138. The site's field margins, as well as a large log pile and the ditches are suitable habitat for reptiles.
- 139. Several skylark territories were noted during the survey.
- 140. The ditches, hedges and trees are suitable foraging and commuting habitat for bats and some of the trees could support bat roosts.
- 141. There is a single mammal burrow, which is likely to be an outlier badger sett (currently occupied by rabbits).

- 142. The assessment will consider both direct and indirect effects on the identified important ecological features resulting from a range of activities including, but not limited to:
 - loss of vegetated ditch and arable margins;
 - loss of great crested newt terrestrial habitat (if they are present);
 - loss of skylark breeding habitat;
 - loss of badger sett (unlikely to be significant in EIA terms, but included as has legislative implications; and
 - direct and indirect effects on bat populations using the site to roost, feed or commute.
 - Outline Scope of Further Surveys
 - The following further surveys will be undertaken to inform the assessment:
 - Great crested newt eDNA survey to identify whether a population is extant within ponds close to the Site (500m) (to be undertaken by June);
 - Skylark survey to establish the number of territories held at the site (two visits between May and June);
 - Bat activity surveys two transect routes, walked monthly between May and September (to be reviewed in July);
 - Bat activity surveys four static detectors sampling for five consecutive nights each month; and
 - Bat Tree Assessments detailed tree assessments for those which are at risk of interference effects e.g. lighting, possibly followed by climbing inspections.
- 143. The Ecological Impact Assessment (EcIA) will be undertaken with reference to the CIEEM 'Guidelines for Ecological Impact Assessment in the UK and Ireland Terrestrial, Freshwater and Coastal Second Edition'). The aims of the ecology assessment will be to:
 - Identify relevant ecological features (i.e. designated sites, habitats, species or ecosystems) which may be impacted;
 - Provide an objective and transparent assessment of the likely ecological impacts and resultant effects of the Proposed Development. Impacts and effects may be beneficial (i.e. positive) or adverse (i.e. negative);



- Facilitate objective and transparent determination of the consequences of the Proposed Development in terms of national, regional and local policies relevant to nature conservation and biodiversity; and
- Set out what steps would be taken to adhere to legal requirements relating to the relevant ecological features concerned.
- 144. The assessment will describe the methods used to identify and assess the potential significant effects of the Proposed Development during the construction and operational phases. Baseline conditions will be described, including a summary of legislation/policy relevant to the baseline conditions, and subsequently the impact assessment will be undertaken taking into account avoidance and mitigation measures that are inherent to the design (e.g. the retention of a boundary tree known to support a bat roost), including the use of best practice construction methods (e.g. implementation of methods to supress dust generation or avoid pollution of water courses). Additional mitigation, compensation and enhancement measures will be described, followed by an assessment of the significance of residual effects. A summary of the assessment will then be provided, together with relevant conclusions.
- 145. In line with the CIEEM guidelines the terminology used within the EcIA will draw a clear distinction between the terms 'impact' and 'effect'. For the purposes of the EcIA these terms will be defined as followed:
 - Impact Actions resulting in changes to an ecological feature. For example, demolition activities leading to the removal of a building utilised as a bat roost.
 - Effect Outcome resulting from an impact acting upon the conservation status or structure and function of an ecological feature. For example, killing/injury of bats and reducing the availability of breeding habitat as a result of the loss of a bat roost may lead to an adverse effect on the conservation status of the population concerned.
- 146. For each phase of the Proposed Development (e.g. demolition, construction, operation), the assessment will be structured and reported by ecological feature with relevant potential impacts on that feature described in turn, and then the overall effect arising from those impacts reported.

Evaluation of Ecological Features

- 147. Data received through consultation, desk-based investigations and field-based investigations will be used to allow relevant ecological features (including designated sites, ecosystems, habitat and species) of value (or potential value) to be identified, and the main factors contributing to their value described and related to available guidance.
- 148. Ecological features may be important for multiple different reasons (e.g. rarity in a particular geographic context; role in habitat connectivity; or a species on the edge of their range). Relevant reasons for which an ecological feature is important will be described and considered in order to assign each relevant ecological feature an overall value in accordance with the following geographical frames of reference:
 - International (i.e. European);
 - National (i.e. England);
 - County;
 - Borough;
 - Local;
 - Site;
 - Negligible (used where the value is lower than the Site level).
- 149. In determining the value of relevant ecological features the social and economic values will be considered separately. Where appropriate the significance of relevant social and economic effects will be defined and reported within separate community and/or socio-economic assessments.
- 150. Characterising potential ecological impacts



- 151. When describing potential impacts (and where relevant the resultant effects) reference will be made to the following characteristics:
 - Beneficial/adverse:
 - Magnitude:
 - Spatial extent:
 - Duration:
 - Reversibility; and
 - Timing and frequency.
- 152. For each receptor only those characteristics relevant to understanding the ecological effect and determining the significance will be described.
- 153. Potential impacts on relevant ecological features will be assessed and a judgement reached on whether or not the resultant effect on conservation status or structure and function is likely to be significant. This process will take into consideration the characteristics of the impact, the sensitivity of the ecological feature concerned, and the geographic scale at which the feature is considered important.
- 154. The CIEEM guidelines state that:

'For the purposes of EcIA a 'significant effect' is an effect that either supports or undermines biodiversity conservation objectives for 'important ecological features' (i.e. relevant ecological features) or for biodiversity in general'......

- 155. In broad terms, significant effects encompass impacts on structure and function of defined sites, habitats or ecosystems and the conservation status of habitats and species (including extent, abundance and distribution).
- 156. For designated sites, defined sites and ecosystems the assessment will consider how the proposals are likely to affect the conservation objectives for the Site and/or its interest/qualifying features. For ecosystems, consideration will be given to whether the proposals are likely to result in a change in ecosystem structure and/or function.
- 157. For species and habitats the effects of impacts on individual habitats and species will be considered in relation to 'conservation status' which is defined in the CIEEM guidelines as follows:
 - For habitats: conservation status is determined by the sum of the influences acting on the habitat that may affect its extent, structure and functions as well as its distribution and its typical species within a given geographical area;
 - For species: conservation status is determined by the sum of influences acting on the species concerned that may affect its abundance and distribution within a given geographical area.
- 158. In considering effects on conservation status, reference will be made to relevant available guidance on the existing conservation status of a feature.
- 159. Conclusions on the significance of effects relate to the concepts of 'structure and function' or 'conservation status' as being either:
 - Not-significant (i.e. no effect on structure and function, or conservation status); or
 - Significant (i.e. structure and function, or conservation status is affected).
- 160. Such judgements will be based, wherever possible, on quantitative evidence. However, where necessary the professional judgement of an experienced ecologist will be applied.
- 161. For those effects considered significant, the effect will also be characterised as appropriate (e.g. adverse or beneficial), and qualified with reference to the geographic scale at which the effect is significant (e.g. an adverse effect significant at a national level).



162. The scale of significance of an effect may not be the same as the geographic context in which the feature is considered important. For example, an effect on a species of principal importance for nature conservation at the national level may not have a significant effect on the conservation status of the national population of that species.

Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment

Outline Scope of Assessment

- 163. The LVIA will be prepared in accordance with a Methodology informed by guidance set out in 'Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment' published by the Landscape Institute and Institute for Environmental Assessment (2013). This baseline assessment will inform a description of the landscape character, condition and sensitivity of the existing site and key landscape and visual receptors. The assessment of landscape sensitivity seeks to establish the degree to which the landscape can accommodate change, without affecting the fundamental characteristics which contribute to aspects such as local distinctiveness, sense of place, appearance and landscape quality. These studies may include evaluation of physical landscape value and or quality and condition.
- 164. The study area for the landscape and visual assessment will be defined as the visual envelope or Theoretical Zone of Visual Influence (TZVI) for the Proposed Development. The Baseline ZVI and the Development Case TZVI will be modelled by creating a 3D digital terrain model (DTM) generated from Ordnance Survey (OS) base data.
- 165. The topographical data will be generated from Ordnance Survey (OS) base. The location, extent and height of existing vegetation have been recorded from the OS 1:25,000 scale raster file, from Google Earth and site observation.

Visual baseline

- 166. Baseline visual receptors will be identified using a combination of desk-based study and site survey. This has identified the following types of potential community, residential, employment and transport based receptor locations:
 - Public places e.g. playing fields, cricket club, church, school, Common Land;
 - Public Rights of Way e.g. footpaths, byways, and bridleways;
 - Residential e.g. detached, semi-detached, bungalow, terrace, apartment;
 - Workplaces e.g. business or commercial property; and
 - Transport routes e.g. classified and unclassified roads, cycle routes.
- 167. All potential visual receptors within the study area will be considered. A list of viewpoints has been prepared (see Figure 3) to demonstrate the wide range of potential baseline and development case views of the development site and the Proposed Development. Views from these locations will be documented in a structured and consistent manner. This process will use written descriptions and photographs to record the visual baseline. The viewpoint photographs have been taken in accordance with the Landscape Institute Advice Note 01/11. Due to the timing of the project, the visual assessment and the baseline photography will be undertaken in spring condition. A description of the view and identification of the type, location and receptor sensitivity has been made through a site based visual assessment.
- 168. Visual sensitivity will be assigned using the criteria derived from the GLVIA. Degree of exposure to the view e.g. permanence versus transience.

Assessment of Potential Impacts

169. The assessment methodology will follow the standard GLVIA approach of assessing changes in the development case against the baseline condition. Predicted effects will be identified at, or for each receptor, and the magnitude of the identified landscape and visual changes evaluated by professional judgement. The significance of these effects will be determined by the inter-relationship of nature of effect (magnitude) and the nature of receptor (sensitivity)



- 170. Once a potential impact on these components has been identified, an experienced based judgement of the nature of the predicted landscape effect will be made and recorded as:
 - Beneficial or adverse;
 - Direct or indirect;
 - Temporary/permanent;
 - Short, medium or long term;
 - Local/regional/national in scale; and
 - Single or cumulative.
- 171. The duration of effect would fall into the following categories:
 - Short term 0-5 years e.g. partial clearance of vegetation for construction;
 - Medium term 5-10 years e.g. loss of new hedgerows for construction but replanted;
 - Long term 10-50 years e.g. loss of semi-mature woody vegetation for construction but replanted; and;
 - Permanent 50+ years e.g. loss of vegetation where replacement vegetation would not achieve pre-construction dimensions within 50 years.
- 172. Experience based judgement will then be used to identify the magnitude of the potential change that would result from the identified landscape impact. The significance of the predicted landscape effects will then be identified using a matrix form of evaluation. Effects will be assigned one of the four categories of Insignificant, Minor, Moderate or Major considering the magnitude of the change and the ability of the receptor to accommodate the proposed change (sensitivity).
- 173. The visual assessment will describe the changes to the existing views resulting from the proposed facilities. This written assessment will be supported by photographic analysis of the baseline views. For each viewpoint an experienced based judgment of the nature of the predicted visual effect will be made and recorded as: Beneficial or adverse; Direct or indirect; Temporary/permanent; Short, medium or long term; Local/regional/national in scale; Single or cumulative.
- 174. The views will be photographed in accordance with the Landscape Institute Guidance. The assessment will be supported by wireframe photomontages of the development case. These will be produced to LI guidelines and will be presented as wireframe photomontages as panoramas, for context, and as scaled views to enable the viewer to better judge scale and impact. All methodologies will be defined in the assessment document.
- 175. The magnitude of the identified visual impact will be identified for receptors through a written assessment. The significance of the identified visual effects will then determined by the interrelationship of magnitude of impact and receptor sensitivity. The parameters for the significance threshold assigned for each identified landscape and visual effect will be defined within the written assessment.
- 176. Mitigation requirements will be considered following the assessment of impacts with the effectiveness of the mitigation identified over year one, year 5 and year 20 with residual impacts being identified.



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Figure 3: Photography Location Plan





ENVIRONMENTAL TOPICS TO BE 'SCOPED OUT' OF THE EIA

Ground Conditions

177. A Phase 1 Environmental Risk Assessment has been undertaken by Buro Happold. The Phase 1 Environmental Risk Assessment Report is provided within Appendix 3 to this EIA Scoping Report. A summary of the report is provided below.

Existing and Historical Uses On-Site Use

178. The site, historically and presently, is open agricultural land. Prior to 1880, the site was agricultural land with field boundaries throughout the site. [Of particular interest is the western field boundary, which remained constant throughout the mapping and is now the drainage ditch running through the site]. A single, small building was present in the west of the site. Prior to 1898, a second small building has been constructed in the west of the site. These building were removed by 1950. Prior to 1985 two different buildings were constructed in the west of the site and a new drain had been laid in the central to the site running north / south, and by 2002 a third building had been constructed. This layout was present up and including the 2014 map. In recent years (since 2014), the land adjacent to the north has been developed as a food superstore with a petrol forecourt, another petrol forecourt is located 100m north west.

Existing and Historical Uses On-Site Use

179. Prior to 1880, the site was surrounded by agricultural land that was noted as 'Liable to Floods'. Roman Way bound the west of the site. Adjacent to the eastern corner of the site was Bicester Sewage Pipe, flowing 200m south to a sewage tank. 50m east was the Oxford Main line. The edge of Bicester was 500m north. Prior to 1960 new railway sidings and depots were constructed from 250m south around Graven Hill. By 1970, Bicester had expanded west, and Roman Way was straightened and renamed to Oxford Road, a Sewage treatment works was constructed 200m south. 50m north was a new building, part of a farm, and a well. This well appears to be the source of the water, which enters the drainage ditch intersecting the site (it is assumed the well was present before this, just unlabelled). By 1985 Bicester had expanded further west, the sewage treatment works also expanded. The field boundary / drainage ditch was no longer present adjacent to the north. A garden nursery was constructed adjacent to the south. By 1995 the A41 was constructed adjacent to the north of the site running east, beyond this was a new commercial area with recreation grounds beyond. The nursery to the south also expanded.

Geoenvironmental Conditions

- 180. In 2014, BuroHappold commissioned Structural Soils to complete a Site Investigation to provide information on a proposed trunk sewer, access road and ornamental lake. The data was combined with an investigation from 2008. The 2008 works comprised five cable percussion boreholes, a rotary cored borehole and five machine dug trial pits. In 2014, an additional cable percussive borehole and five mechanical trial pits were completed. The exploratory holes extended to a maximum depth of 11.70m below ground level (bgl) in the rotary borehole. The logs are reproduced in Appendix 3..
- 181. Typically, from ground level to about 1-2m bgl there were superficial deposits. In the east, the Kellaways Clay Member were present up to 4.9m bgl, underlying the superficial deposits. The Kellaways Clay Member thins to the west and was not present in the far west. The Cornbrash Formation was encountered in all locations beneath the Kellaways Clay Member (where present) or the Superficial Deposits where the Kellaways Clay Member is not present. The base of the Cornbrash Formation was only proven in BH2, where the formation extended to 2.25m bgl. The Forest Marl Formation was proven between 2.25m bgl and 9.40m bgl, under the Forest Marl Formation the White Limestone was present to the base of the hole (11.70m bgl).

Preliminary Risk Assessment

182. Land contamination is regulated under several regimes, including environmental protection, pollution prevention and control, waste management, planning and development control, and health and safety legislation. The primary regulatory regimes under which contaminated land are managed in the UK are: under the planning process described in the National Planning Policy Framework and under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act. The framework for the assessment of potential land contamination adopted in this assessment is based on current guidance documents regarding the implementation of



these regimes and the assessment of potentially contaminated land, with particular reference to: the Environment Agency Model Procedures and their Guiding Principles on Land Contamination; and the relevant British Standard (BS10175:2011).

- 183. Base on the above, the conceptual model of the site the Phase 1 Environmental Risk Assessment did not identify any significant source-pathway-receptor linkages. The highest risk (a moderate / low risk) is to human health. This is based on the potential for asbestos containing materials within the bund that surrounds the site. The Phase 1 Environmental Risk Assessment states that a site investigation will be required to assess the geoenvironmental risks associated with the construction of the proposed structures. This investigation should quantify the potential risks to site neighbours and future site users and will inform the need for any mitigation or remediation requirements.
- 184. It is envisaged that several procedures will need to be fulfilled pre-commencement of the works across the site to ensure the protection of human health and the environment. The procedures are standard practices that need to be undertaken prior to the start of below ground works on any site and would be undertaken in accordance with relevant legislation. It is envisaged that the fulfilment of these procedures would be secured through appropriately worded planning conditions attached to the planning permission. Planning conditions pertaining to the following are anticipated:
 - Selection of appropriate piling techniques and preparation of a piling method statement so as not to result in any unacceptable risk to groundwater;
 - Preparation and execution of a site investigation scheme. The site investigation scheme shall be based on the risks identified in the preliminary risk assessment and shall provide provision for, where relevant, the sampling of vapour, ground gas, surface and groundwater;
 - As required, preparation of a remediation method statement which will detail any required remediation works and shall be designed to mitigate any remaining risks identified in the risk assessment;
 - As required, the execution of the remediation method statement and preparation of a verification report;
 - Definition of the procedures for long term monitoring past the completion of the development works to verify the success of the remediation works;

Definition of the procedures if any unexpected contamination is found on site including the reporting procedure for its identification and management.

Conclusion

- 185. The Phase 1 Environmental Risk Assessment (Appendix 3) has defined the risks in relation to the redevelopment of the site on human health and the environment, including controlled waters.
- 186. The risks can however be adequately managed (through industry recognised standards and best practice measures), and so the redevelopment of the site is unlikely to generate any significant ground conditions (including groundwater) related environmental effects.
- 187. The risks can be adequately managed so as not to cause unacceptable harm to human health, the built environment, ecology or controlled waters.
- 188. As such, it is considered that the risks and resultant effects are sufficiently well understood and that based on the information currently available, it is likely that the residual effects associated with ground conditions and groundwater would be insignificant.
- 189. Furthermore, several planning conditions attached to the planning permission are envisaged to cater for the further reporting, site investigation works and (if required) remediation prior to the start of works on site are anticipated.
- 190. On this basis, it is suggested that a full ground conditions (including groundwater) impact assessment is scoped out of the EIA. The ES will however include the Phase 1 Environmental Risk Assessment and will specifically, within Chapter 5: Demolition and Construction of the ES (Volume I), cite the industry



recognised standards and best practice measures (including those to be undertaken pursuant to planning conditions attached to the planning permission) to ensure the protection of human health, the environment and controlled waters.

Water Resources and Flood Risk

Flood Risk and Drainage

- 191. The majority of the area within the red line has been subject to a flood risk assessment as part of the previous outline planning application and therefore the flood characteristics of the area are well documented.
- 192. The site's south eastern boundary is adjacent to a watercourse known as the Langford Brook and as a result falls within the flood zone of this watercourse. The majority of the land within the red line is designated as zone 1 –low risk of flooding with a small area on the boundary of zone 1 and zone 2. The Proposed Development will be contained within zone 1. The exact limit of zone 2 will be determined by a Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) which will be prepared and presented as an appendix to the ES to support the outline planning application in accordance with the requirements of the NPPF, Regional Planning Policies and Environment Agency Guidance.
- 193. The FRA will include the following:
 - details of any historical flooding events;
 - acceptability of the proposed land use in relation to known flood zones;
 - volume of surface water runoff likely to be generated by the development;
 - details of existing and proposed SuDS surface water drainage;
 - details of flood resilience and resistance measures as appropriate;
 - access and egress arrangements; and
 - climate change effects.
- 194. In addition to the FRA, a drainage strategy will be prepared for the site. The drainage network already constructed as part of the primary infrastructure was designed in accordance with the requirements within the original drainage strategy of the original outline planning application. Surface water runoff will be limited to greenfield runoff rates and attenuation measures will be incorporated within the development. These will be in accordance with good practice contained within Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) recommendations. The surface water network constructed to serve the site has been sized accordingly with an outfall to the watercourse which currently drains the site. Therefore the existing surface water flow regime will be maintained.

Water Demand and Wastewater

- 195. The primary water supply and drainage infrastructure to serve the Proposed Development has been constructed and completed in December 2015. The anticipated water demand for the development was agreed with Thames Water and a new water main installed alongside the new access road. The main was increased in size over and above what is required to serve the proposed development in order to provide water for firefighting for the Tesco foodstore to the north of the site. Therefore, there is excess capacity to serve the size and type of development proposed. In addition, the capacity assessment has not included the reduction in demand that will occur from the use of water management strategies that will be adopted in accordance with good practice methods such as rainwater harvesting, low use appliances, and grey water use.
- 196. The Proposed Development will result in low volumes of waste water. A 600mm foul sewer has been constructed under the access road with connections to serve the Proposed Development. The sewer has been adopted by Thames Water and also serves the Kingsmere Residential Scheme. The volume of waste water arising from the Proposed Development will be insignificant in comparison with the capacity of the sewer.



Conclusion

- 197. The site's south eastern boundary is adjacent to a watercourse known as the Langford Brook and as a result falls within the flood zone of this watercourse. The majority of the area covered by the outline planning application is within flood zone 1 and no development is proposed within flood zone 2. A number of flood studies have been carried out since the initial outline planning application for the site in 2007 so the flood characteristics are well understood.
- 198. The primary drainage infrastructure has already been constructed and this is in line with the drainage strategy for the site. The site is already served by a water main and adopted foul sewer with capacities well in excess of the estimated demands from the Proposed Development. As a result no significant effects are anticipated in respect of water demand and waste water discharges resulting from the Proposed Development.
- 199. A Flood Risk Assessment submitted in support of the outline planning application will include a drainage strategy. It is intended to summarise the findings and recommendations of the FRA and Outline Drainage Strategy within the ES. Specifically, information will be presented on the measures proposed to avoid or mitigate flood risk, including the use of any SUDS and attenuation storage provision.
- 200. As a full FRA and Outline Drainage Strategy will be prepared and submitted as part of the ES, it is not intended to present within the ES an additional 'Water Resources, Flood Risk and Drainage' chapter. The FRA, Outline Drainage Strategy and the information on these aspects that will be summarised and presented within the ES will provide a sufficient level of understanding on the potential for significant effects associated with water resources, flood risk and drainage. No further analysis is considered necessary.

PROPOSED STRUCTURE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

- 201. The ES will comprise the following set of documents:
- 202. **ES Non-Technical Summary (NTS):** this document will provide a concise summary of the Proposed Development, alternative designs that were considered, environmental effects and mitigation measures.
- 203. **ES Volume I:** This will contain the full text of the EIA with the proposed chapter headings as follows:
 - Introduction;
 - EIA Methodology;
 - Alternatives and Design Evolution;
 - The Proposed Development;
 - Construction;
 - Socio-economics;
 - Transportation and Access;
 - Noise and Vibration;
 - Air Quality;
 - Buried Heritage (Archaeology) and Built Heritage;
 - Ecology;
 - Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment
 - Effect Interactions; and
 - Residual Effects and Conclusions.



204. **ES Volume II: Technical Appendices:** these will provide supplementary details of the environmental studies conducted during the EIA including relevant data tables, figures and photographs and will include amongst others, the Flood Risk Assessment, Preliminary Ecology Appraisal, Phase 1 Environmental Risk Assessment and the Transport Assessment.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

205. This Report requests a Scoping Opinion of CDC pursuant to Regulation 13 of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011 (as amended 2015). The EIA Scoping Report suggests a comprehensive scope of work based on previous experience of the assembled team of specialists and existing knowledge of the site. CDC and consultees are invited to consider the contents of this report and comment accordingly within the five-week period prescribed by the EIA Regulations.



Appendix 1 - Archaeology



Appendix 1: Assessment of Significance / Assessment Criteria

This appendix sets out the methodology for assessing effects upon heritage assets both direct and indirect. It takes account of NPPF, its practice guide and Historic England's Good Practice Advice Note 3: the setting of heritage assets¹.

The Assessor

AOC Archaeology Group conforms to the standards of professional conduct outlined in the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' Code of Conduct², the CIfA Standard and Guidance for Commissioning Work on, or Providing Consultancy Advice on, Archaeology and the Historic Environment³, the CIfA Standards and Guidance for Historic Environment Desk Based Assessments⁴ and Field Evaluations⁵.

AOC Archaeology Group is a Registered Archaeological Organisation of the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists. This status ensures that there is regular monitoring and approval by external peers of our internal systems, standards and skills development.

AOC is ISO 9001:2008 accredited, in recognition of the Company's Quality Management System.

Assessing Cultural Value (Significance) & Importance

The definition of cultural significance is readily accepted by heritage professionals both in the UK and internationally and was first fully outlined in the Burra Charter, Article One of which identifies that *'cultural significance'* or *'cultural heritage value'* means aesthetic, historic, scientific, social or spiritual value for past, present or future generations⁶. This definition has since been adopted by heritage organisations around the world, including Historic England (HE). The NPPF defines cultural significance as:

"The value of a heritage asset to this and future generations because of its heritage interest. That interest may be archaeological, architectural, artistic or historic. Significance derives not only from a heritage asset's physical presence, but also from its setting."⁷

The term '*cultural value*' will be used throughout the assessment as opposed to '*cultural significance*', in order to avoid confusion with the concept of a '*significant effect*' in EIA terms.

All heritage assets have some value, however some assets are judged to be more important than others. The level of that importance is, from a cultural resource management perspective, determined

¹ Historic England (2015) Good Practice Advice Note 3: the setting of heritage assets

² Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (2014) Code of Conduct

³ Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (2014) Standard and guidance for commissioning work on, or providing consultancy advice on, archaeology and the historic environment

⁴ Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (2014) Standards and Guidance for Historic Environment Desk Based Assessments

⁵ Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (2014) Standard and guidance for archaeological field evaluation

⁶ ICOMOS (1999). Burra Charter Article 1.2.

⁷ DCLG: Department for Communities and Local Government (2012). NPPF, 56.

by establishing the asset's capacity to inform present or future generations about the past. In the case of many heritage assets their importance has already been established through the designation (i.e. scheduling, listing and register) processes applied by HE.

The criteria that will be used to establish importance in the ES are presented in Table 1 below and are drawn from the Department of Media, Culture and Sports publication, Principles for Selection of Listed Buildings,⁸ and the Scheduled Monuments Policy Statements published by the same body,⁹ which outline the criteria for designating heritage assets.

Importance	Criteria
International	World Heritage Sites;
and National	Scheduled Monuments (Actual and Potential);
	Grade I and II* Listed Buildings;
	Grade I and II* Registered Parks and Gardens;
	Registered Battlefields;
	Fine, little-altered examples of some particular period, style or type.
Regional	Grade II Listed Buildings;
	Grade II Registered Parks and Gardens;
	Conservation Areas;
	Major examples of some period, style or type, which may have been altered;
	Asset types which would normally be considered of national importance that have been partially damaged (such that cultural heritage value has been reduced).
Local	Locally Listed Heritage Assets;
	Lesser examples of any period, style or type, as originally constructed or altered, and simple, traditional sites, which group well with other significant remains, or are part of a planned group such as an estate or an industrial complex;
	Asset types which would normally be considered of regional importance that have been partially damaged or asset types which would normally be considered of national importance that have been largely damaged (such that their cultural heritage value has been reduced).
Negligible	Relatively numerous types of remains;
	findspots or artefacts that have no definite archaeological remains known in their context;
	Asset types which would normally be considered of local importance that have been largely damaged (such that their cultural heritage value has been reduced);

Table 1: Criteria for Establishing Importance

⁸ DMCS (2010). Principles for Selection of Listed Buildings.

⁹ DMCS (2013). Scheduled Monuments Policy Statements.
Methodology for assessing direct physical effects

A direct effect by a development can potentially result in an irreversible loss of information content and therefore cultural heritage value. The potential magnitude of change upon heritage assets caused by the proposed development will be rated using the classifications and criteria outlined in Table 2 below.

Physical Effect	Criteria
High	Major loss of information content resulting from total or large-scale
-	removal of deposits from a site.
	Major alteration of a monument's baseline condition.
Medium	Moderate loss of information content resulting from partial removal
	of deposits from a site.
	Moderate alteration of a monument's baseline condition.
Low	Minor detectable changes leading to the loss of information content.
	Minor alterations to the baseline condition of a monument.
Marginal	Very slight or barely measurable loss of information content.
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	Loss of a small percentage of the area of a site's peripheral
	deposits.
	Very slight alterations to a monument.
None	No physical change anticipated
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Table 2: Criteria for establishing magnitude of physical change

The predicted level of direct effect upon each asset will be determined by considering its importance in conjunction with the magnitude of change predicted for it. The method of deriving the level of effect classifications is shown in Table 3 below:

Table 3: Method of rating level of direct effects on heritage assets by the ProposedDevelopment

Magnitude of Change	Importance of Asset			
	Negligible	Local	Regional	National and
				International
High	Minor	Moderate	Moderate-Major	Major
Medium	Negligible -	Minor-	Moderate	Moderate-Major
	Minor	Moderate		
Low	Negligible	Minor	Minor-Moderate	Moderate
Marginal	Negligible	Negligible	Minor	Minor-Moderate
None	None	None	None	None
The level of effects recorded in grey highlighted cells are considered to be 'significant'				

Methodology for assessing indirect effects upon setting

This sub-section outlines the detailed methodology used in assessing potential effects upon the setting of heritage assets. The methodology presented here sets out criteria for assessing sensitivity to changes to setting (Relative Sensitivity), magnitude of change and level of effect.

Assessing Sensitivity of Assets to Changes to their Setting

Whilst determining the relative cultural value of a heritage asset is essential for establishing its importance, it is widely recognised¹⁰ that the importance of an asset is not the same as its sensitivity to changes to its setting. Thus in determining effects upon the setting of assets by a proposed development, both importance and sensitivity to changes to setting need to be considered.

Setting is a key issue in the case of some, but by no means all assets. A nationally important asset does not necessarily have high sensitivity to changes to its setting (relative sensitivity) this may be because its value lies in its other characteristics and its setting is not a factor which contributes demonstrably to its value. An asset's sensitivity refers to its capacity to retain cultural heritage value in the face of changes to its setting. The ability of the setting to contribute to an understanding, appreciation and experience of the asset and its value also has a bearing on the sensitivity of that asset to changes to its setting. Assets with high sensitivity will be vulnerable to changes that affect their settings, and even slight changes may reduce their value or the ability of setting to contribute to the understanding, appreciation and experience of the asset. Less sensitive assets will be able to accommodate greater changes to their settings without significant reduction in their value, and in spite of such changes the relationship between the asset and its setting will still be legible.

The criteria for establishing an asset's relative sensitivity are outlined in Table 4 below.

Sensitivity	Definition
High	An asset whose setting contributes significantly to an observer's understanding, appreciation and experience of it and its value should be thought of as having High Sensitivity to changes to its setting. This is particularly relevant for assets whose settings, or elements thereof, contribute directly to their value (e.g. form part of their Evidential and Aesthetic Value ¹¹). For example an asset which retains an overtly intended or authentic relationship with its setting and the surrounding landscape. These may in particular be assets such as ritual monuments that have constructed sightlines to and/or from them, or structures intended to be visually dominant within a wide landscape area e.g. castles, tower houses, prominent forts etc.
	An asset, the current understanding, appreciation and experience of which, relies heavily on its modern aesthetic setting. In particular an asset whose setting is an important factor in the retention of its cultural value.
Medium	An asset whose setting contributes moderately to an observer's understanding, appreciation and experience of it and its value should be thought of as having Medium Sensitivity to changes to its setting. This could be an asset for which setting makes a contribution to value, but whereby its value is derived mainly from its physical evidential values. This could for

Table 4: Criteria for Establishing Relative Sensitivity

¹⁰ Lambrick (2008). Setting Standards: A Review prepared on behalf of the IFA.

¹¹ Historic England (2008). Conservation Principles, 28-29.

Sensitivity	Definition
	example include assets which had an overtly intended authentic relationship with their setting and the surrounding landscape but where that relationship (and therefore the ability of the assets' surroundings to contribute to an understanding, appreciation and experience of them and their value) has been moderately compromised either by previous modern intrusion in their setting or the landscape, or where the asset itself is in such a state of disrepair that the relationship with setting cannot be fully determined.
	relies partially on its modern aesthetic setting regardless of whether or not this was intended by the original constructors or authentic users of the asset. An asset whose setting is a contributing factor to the retention of its cultural value.
Low	An asset whose setting makes some contribution to an observer's understanding, appreciation and experience of it and its value should generally be thought of as having Low Sensitivity to changes to its setting. This may be an asset whose value is mainly derived from its physical evidential values and whereby changes to its setting will not materially diminish our understanding, appreciation and experience of it or its value. This could for example include assets which had an overtly intended authentic relationship with their setting and the surrounding landscape, but where that relationship (and therefore the ability of the assets' surroundings to contribute to an understanding, appreciation and experience of them and their) has been significantly compromised either by previous modern intrusion to its setting or landscape, or where the asset itself is in such a state of disrepair that the relationship with setting cannot be determined.
Marginal	An asset whose setting makes minimal contribution to an observer's understanding, appreciation and experience of it and its value should generally be thought of as having Marginal Sensitivity to changes to its setting. This may include assets for which the authentic relationship with their surrounding has been lost, possibly having been compromised by previous modern intrusion, but who still retain cultural value in their physical evidential value and possibly wider historical and communal values.

The determination of an asset's sensitivity is first and foremost reliant upon the determination of its setting. The criteria set out in Table 4 above are intended as a guide. Assessments of individual assets are informed by knowledge of the asset itself, of the asset type if applicable, and by site visits to establish the current setting of the assets. This allows for the use of professional judgement and each asset is assessed on an individual basis. It should be noted that individual assets may fall into a number of the sensitivity categories presented above, e.g. a country house may have a high sensitivity to alterations within its own landscaped park or garden, but its sensitivity to changes in the wider setting may be less.

In establishing the relative sensitivity of an asset to changes to its setting, an aesthetic appreciation of that asset and its setting must be arrived at. The ES chapter will outline a range of factors which should be considered when establishing the setting of an asset and therefore determining its sensitivity. These will be used as a guide in assessing each asset from known records and in the field. In defining these criteria, emphasis will be placed on establishing the current setting of each asset and how the proposed development would affect it.

Assessing Magnitude of Change

Determining the magnitude of change caused by the proposed development requires an identification of the change to the setting of any given asset, and in particular changes to those elements of the setting that inform its cultural value. Table 5 below outlines the main factors affecting magnitude of change:

Site Details	Importance of detail for assessing magnitude of change
1) Proximity to	Increasing distance of an asset from the Proposed Development
Proposed	will, in most cases, diminish the effects on its setting.
Development	
Visibility of	The proportion of the development that is likely to be intervisible
development (based	with the asset will usually directly affect the magnitude of change on
on visualisations	its setting.
where appropriate)	
Complexity of	The more visually complex a landscape is, the less prominent the
landscape	Proposed Development may appear within it. This is because where
	a landscape is visually complex the eye can be distracted by other
	features and will not focus exclusively on the Proposed
	Development. Visual complexity describes the extent to which a
	landscape varies visually and the extent to which there are various
	land types, land uses, and built features producing variety in the
	landscape.
4) Visual	This refers to the existence of features (e.g. tree belts, forestry,
obstructions	landscaping or built features) that could partially or wholly obscure
	the Proposed Development from view.

Table 5: Factors Affecting Magnitude of Change

It is acknowledged that Table 5 above primarily deals with visual factors affecting setting. Whilst the importance of visual elements of settings, e.g. views, intervisibility, prominence etc, are clear, it is also acknowledged that there are other, non-visual factors which could potentially result in setting effects. Such factors could be other sensory factors, e.g. noise or smell, or could be associative. In coming to a conclusion about magnitude of change upon setting, the assessment will make reference to traffic, noise, air quality, and landscape and visual assessments, undertaken for the ES, as appropriate.

Once the above has been considered, the prediction of magnitude of change in setting is based upon the criteria set out below in Table 6. In applying these criteria, particular consideration will be given to the relationship of the proposed development to those elements of setting which have been qualitatively defined as most important in contributing to the value of the heritage asset and the ability to understand, appreciate and experience it and its value.

Magnitude	Criteria
High	Direct and substantial change in view affecting a significant sightline to or from a ritual monument or prominent fort;
	Direct and substantial change in view affecting a key 'designed-in' view or vista from a Designed Landscape or Listed Building;
	Direct severance of the relationship between a asset and its setting;

Table 6: Criteria for Classifying Magnitude of Change in Setting

	Major imposition within a Cultural Landscape;
	A change that alters the setting of an asset such that it threatens the protection of the asset and the understanding of its cultural value.
Medium	Oblique change in view affecting an axis adjacent to a significant sightline to or from a ritual monument but where the significant sightline of the monument is not obscured;
	Oblique change in view affecting a key 'designed-in' view or vista from an Designed Landscape or Listed Building;
	Partial severance of the relationship between a asset and its setting;
	Notable alteration to the setting of an asset but not directly affecting those elements of the setting which contribute most to the understanding of the cultural value of the asset;
	Notable, but not major, imposition within a Cultural Landscape;
	A change that alters the setting of an asset such that the understanding of the asset and its cultural value is marginally diminished.
Low	Peripheral change in view affecting a significant sightline to or from a ritual monument, designed landscape or building;
	Minor imposition within a Cultural Landscape;
	A change that alters the setting of an asset, but where those changes do not materially affect an observer's ability to understand, appreciate and experience the asset or its value.
Marginal	All other changes to setting
None	No setting changes

Assessing Level of Effect on Setting

The level of effect resulting from changes in the setting of cultural heritage assets is judged to be the interaction of the asset's sensitivity (Table 4) and the magnitude of the change (Table 6) and also takes into consideration the importance of the asset (Table 1). In order to provide a level of consistency the assessment of sensitivity, the prediction of magnitude of change and the assessment of level of effect have been <u>guided</u> by pre-defined criteria. A qualitative descriptive narrative is also provided for each asset to summarise and explain each of the professional value judgments that have been made in reaching a conclusion on sensitivity of the asset and the magnitude of change.

The interactions that guide the determination of level of effect on settings of the assets in question is shown in Table 7.

Magnitude of	Relative Sensitivity			
Change	Marginal	Low	Medium	High
High	Minor	Minor-	Moderate	Major
		Moderate		
Medium	Negligible	Minor	Minor-	Moderate
			Moderate	

Table 7: Level of Effect on the Setting of Cultural Heritage Assets

Low	Neutral	Negligible	Minor	Minor-
				Moderate
Marginal	Neutral	Neutral	Negligible	Minor
The levels of effect recorded in grey highlighted cells are 'significant'				

Cumulative Effects

The assessment of cumulative effects will be undertaken in a similar manner to that of the potential effects but will take into consideration other developments as agreed with the planning authority, including those which are operational, under construction, consented or proposed. Cumulative effects relating to cultural heritage are for the most part limited to indirect effects upon the settings of heritage assets.

Those heritage assets which are included in the detailed setting assessment, under operational effects for the proposed development, will also be considered when assessing the potential for cumulative effects. However, only those assets which are judged to have the potential to be subject to significant cumulative effects will be included in the detailed cumulative assessment provided. While all developments and development proposals, as agreed with the planning authority, will be considered, only those specific developments which would contribute to, or have the possibility to contribute to, cumulative effects on specific heritage assets are discussed in detail in the text.

As there are no specific guidelines with regard to undertaking cumulative assessment for heritage assets, this assessment will follow the criteria for assessing setting impacts as set out above. The assessment of cumulative effects will consider whether there would be an increased impact upon the setting of heritage assets as a result of adding the proposed development to a baseline, which may include operational, under construction, consented or proposed developments as agreed with the planning authority.

Harm

The NPPF, where designated heritage assets are concerned, requires us to make an assessment as to the level of harm which could be caused to designated heritage assets by development. It requires a judgement to be made as to whether that harm is '*substantial*' or '*less than substantial*'¹². Where no effect is predicted or where effects are predicted to be neutral, e.g. where a proposed development may be perceptible but will not materially affect the setting of an asset or diminish its cultural value, it may be found that there will be no harm to a heritage asset. The level of harm predicted, or lack thereof, establishes whether the planning test should be applied and where harm is found the level of that harm establishes the correct policy test. Extant guidance on harm relevant to this assessment is set out in the NPPG.

¹² DCLG: Department for Communities and Local Government (2012). NPPF, 31.

As there are no designated heritage assets within the Site, there will be no direct effects upon designated heritage assets as a result of the proposed development. As such, any discussion of harm in this assessment will relate to indirect effects on the setting of designated heritage assets.

The NPPG notes that the '*substantial*' harm is a '*high test*' and that as such it is unlikely to result in many cases. What matters in establishing whether harm is '*substantial*' or not, relates to whether a change would seriously adversely affect those attributes or elements of a designated asset that contribute to or give it its value.

In terms of effects upon the setting of designated heritage assets, it is considered that only those effects identified as 'significant' in this assessment will have the potential to be of '*substantial*' harm. Where no significant effect is found, the harm is considered to be '*less than substantial*'. This is because, as set out earlier in this methodology, effects only reach the significance threshold if their relative sensitivity to changes in setting is at the higher end of scale, or if the magnitude of change is at the higher end of the scale.

For many designated assets, setting may not contribute to their value or the contribution to value may be limited. For these assets, even High magnitude changes to setting are unlikely to have adverse effects on the value of the designated asset. As set out in Table 6, lower ratings of magnitude of change tend to relate to notable or perceptible changes to setting but where these changes do not necessarily obscure or damage elements of setting or relationships which directly contribute to the value of assets. As such, effects that are not significant will result in *'less than substantial'* harm. Where there are no effects or effects are deemed to be Neutral there will be no harm.

Where significant effects are found, a detailed assessment of the level of harm will be made. Whilst non-significant effects will cause '*less than substantial*' harm, the reverse is not always true. That is, the assessment of an effect as being '*significant*' does not necessarily mean that the harm to the asset is '*substantial*'. The assessment of level of harm in the ES Chapter, where required, will be a qualitative one, and will largely depend upon whether the effects predicted would result in a major impediment to the ability to understand or appreciate the heritage asset in question by reducing or removing its information content and therefore reducing its cultural value.

Appendix 2 – Preliminary Ecology Appraisal





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1 Introduction

1.1 Terms of Reference

In May 2017 Prime Environment Limited (Prime Environment) was instructed by Trium Environmental Consulting LLP (the Client) to undertake a Preliminary Ecological Appraisal of OS Parcel 2200 adjoining Oxford Road, north of Promised Land Farm, Oxford Road, Bicester. (Ordnance Survey (OS) grid Reference SP 57958 21564) (The Site).

The Site is 12 hectares and comprises an arable field with rough grassland margins and hedgerows with trees. There is a ditch running across the Site in the west and dry and wet ditches at the field boundaries. The Survey Area is slightly larger than the Site (15 ha) as the Site does not include all of the field.

The project proposals are to develop the Site into a large business park with associated hard and soft landscaping. The application will be subject to a formal Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).

1.2 Aims and Objectives

The aims of the study were to:

- Identify, describe and assess the value of any sensitive ecological receptors at the Site and the immediate surrounding area.
- Identify potential ecological impacts of development and suggest appropriate building constraints, outline mitigation and compensation measures.
- Identify whether significant impacts to ecological receptors is likely, and therefore whether ecology should be included in the EIA.
- Make recommendations for any necessary further survey work or licensing, as required.

Ecological information for the assessment was provided by an Extended Phase 1 Habitat Survey and desk study (ongoing).

2 Methodology

This survey and reporting was undertaken by Jo Pedder Bsc. hons. Jo is a full member of the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management and has over 14 years' professional ecology experience. Jo was supported in the field survey by Jon Moore MSc BSc (Hons). Jon is a full member of the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management and has over 7 years' professional ecology experience. Both surveyors are registered to use survey licences for bats and great crested newts.

2.1 Desk Study

Thames Valley Environmental Records Centre (TVERC) was contacted for records of protected species and sites of nature conservation value within a 2 km search area, centred on the Site.

In addition, Ordnance Survey maps and online aerial photos were used to provide site context and the online Multi Agency Geographical Information Centre¹ (MAGIC) was used to identify any internationally protected areas within 5 km of the Site. Planning applications for developments in the local area have also been searched to identify further data relevant to the Site. This has included an Environmental Statement for an approved application known as 'Land at Whitelands Farm' (06/00967/OUT) which included the Site in its ecological surveys and another consented application for a similar scheme at the Site 07/01106/OUT

2.2 Extended Phase 1 Habitat Survey

A Phase 1 Habitat Survey was undertaken at the Site on the 2nd May 2017 to identify and map the habitats present following published criteria².

In addition to basic Phase 1 Habitat mapping, the Site was assessed to identify whether it includes any Habitats of Principal Importance (HPI) or is suitable to support Species of Principal Importance (SPI)³, or other notable or legally protected species.

2.3 Hedgerow Assessment

This report has been prepared to support a planning application, and therefore there is no legal requirement for undertaking a Hedgerow Regulations assessment; removal of hedgerows is considered permitted under the legislation if the removal is part of a planning consent. However, this is a useful tool for identifying features of value within a site. Each hedgerow within the Site was assessed against the ecology criteria for 'important' hedgerows following the method set out in The Hedgerow Regulations 1997. The assessment did not include an historical assessment of the hedgerows, which should be considered separately.

¹ <u>http://magic.defra.gov.uk/</u>

² JNCC (2010) Handbook for Phase 1 habitat survey - a technique for environmental audit

³ HPI and SPI are habitats and species listed in Section 41 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 and regarded as the highest conservation priorities in the UK. HPI and SPI are material consideration in planning.

2.4 Bat Tree Assessment

All trees within or adjacent to the Site (where access was possible) were assessed for their suitability to support roosting bats. Trees which could potentially support bats were subject to a detailed examination with binoculars. As there were a number of trees, and a plan with tree locations could not be provided at the time of the survey, individual trees were not assessed, but groups of trees supporting one of more specimens suitable for roosting bats were recorded.

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2.5 Great Crested Newt Pond HSI

A Habitat Suitability Index⁴ (HSI) score was calculated for two ponds adjacent to the Site.

The calculated HSI for a pond provides a score between 0 and 1. The pond's HSI can then be compared to the ranges of pond suitability, as shown in the table below. An inference can then be made between the HSI of a pond, and the likelihood of great crested newt presence.

HSI Score	Classification	Proportion of Ponds Occupied by Great Crested Newts
<0.5	Poor	0.03
0.5 – 0.59	below average	0.20
0.6 – 0.69	Average	0.55
0.7 – 0.79	Good	0.79
> 0.8	Excellent	0.93

Table 1HSI scores and suitability of ponds for GCN

2.6 Constraints

Any ecology assessment must be considered as a 'snapshot' of the site conditions at the time of the survey; not all botanical species or communities would have been evident during the survey.

Notwithstanding this, given the agriculturally managed nature of the Site, the findings of the survey are considered to provide an appropriate assessment of the Site's ecological value.

Ecological constraints will change over time and therefore the findings of this report is considered to be valid for a period of one year, after which the report should be reviewed to assess whether the survey should be updated.

⁴ Oldham, R.S., Keeble, J., Swan, M.J.S., & Jeffcote, M. (2000) *Evaluating the Suitability of Habitat for the Great Crested Newt* (*Triturus cristatus*). Herpetological Journal 10: 143-155.

3 Results

3.1 Desk Study

TVERC data has not yet been received. This report will be updated and re-issued when the data is available.

Only one statutory designated wildlife site occurs within the search area (2 km for local and national sites, 5 km for international sites): Bure Park Local Nature Reserve. The includes grass meadow, young broad-leaved woodland, hedges and scrub. A small river (the Bure) runs through the Site, feeding a small pond which is home to great crested newts. A balancing pond at one end of the Reserve is fed by run-off from the area. Bure Park is 1.8 km north of the Site, on the far side of Banbury.

Bicester Wetland Reserve, a private reserve owned by Thames Water is 280 m south-east of the Site. The reserve includes scrapes, pools and ditches and is managed principally for wetland birds. Other local sites are likely to be identified in the desk-study.

3.2 Surrounding Area

The Site is situated within a mixed landscape. To the immediate north of the Site is a new supermarket, beyond which is the town of Bicester. To the south there is a shopping complex including a garden centre and to the south east is a water treatment works (and the wetland reserve). Further south east are pasture fields and a military base. To the west of the Site is a large new housing development mostly on former arable fields.

Plate 1, an aerial photograph of the Site, shows the Site in context with the surrounding landscape. Note that this landscape has changed since the image was taken and does not include the housing estate to the west or the supermarket to the north.

Plate 1 Aerial Photograph



3.3 Site Habitats

The Site is approximately 12 ha and largely comprises an arable field which was seeded with grass for hay or silage at the time of survey. There is one habitat within the Site which is a species of principal importance - hedgerows.

The Site comprises:

- An arable field.
- Arable margins.
- Hedgerows.
- Trees.
- Ditches.
- Log piles.

A list of all species recorded with their Latin names is included in Appendix 2 (Table 3) and a Phase 1 Habitat Plan in Appendix 3.

3.3.1 Improved grassland

Phase 1 Habitat Survey type: Arable

Habitat of Principal Importance (HPI) present: No.

Management: regular agricultural management.

The majority of the Site is an arable field. At the time of the survey it was under a grass crop (principally perennial rye-grass).

There were no forbs recorded within the sward, except at the margins (see below).

Part of the Site (in the south-west) can be seen on aerial photos as a rough grassland, but this has been incorporated into the arable field.

Plate 2 Semi-improved grassland



3.3.2 Field margins

Phase 1 Habitat survey type: Poor semiimproved grassland.

HPI: No.

Management: Annual mowing, probable spraying.

The grass field margins are approximately 2 m wide in the north east and south west of the site, but almost absent from the south (along hedgerow 3 and 4). The field margins do not qualify as the Habitat of Principal Importance 'arable field margins' as they are not deliberately created and managed for wildlife.

The grassland is dominated by meadow fescue and includes a range of common flowering species such as lesser burdock, spear thistle and cleavers. The margins of the area recently taken into arable management is more diverse and includes species associated with woodlands and hedgerows such as Lords-and-Ladies and cow parsley. In the north east of the Site the margins include an unusual amount of comfrey.

Plate 3 Arable margin



Phase 1 Habitat survey type: species rich and species poor intact hedgerows and species poor defunct hedgerows.

HPI: Yes.

Management: mixed.

Most of the field boundaries with shrubs are no longer managed as hedgerows and could be considered to be tree lines. Most are species poor, but one (Hedgerow 4) has five woody hedge species and a further three as taller standard trees. Under woody species and associated features this hedge qualifies as important under the hedgerow regulations.

Details of the hedges are included in Appendix 2, Table 5 and 6.

3.3.4 Trees

Phase 1 Habitat Survey type: Scattered trees

HPI: No.

Management: None.

Within the Site are tree lines formed of former hedgerows and standard trees in hedges. Trees and tree groups are described in more detail in Appendix 2, Table 5.

Some of these are suitable for roosting bats, such as the pollarded willow pictured, which has a large hollow at the base, creating a cavity.

Plate 4 Hedgerow 4



Plate 5 Willow (G4)



3.3.5 Ditches

Phase 1 Habitat Survey type: Running water, swamp and marginal vegetation.

HPI: yes (swamp).

Management: Varied.

Ditches 1 and 2 include patches of standing water and wet mud. At the juncture of Ditch 2 and D3 is a steam (off site). Ditch 1 is the most biodiverse area of the Site.

Aquatic and semi-aquatic vegetation within the ditches includes watercrowfoot, water-plantain, water-starwort, common duckweed and brooklime. Hard rush, marsh horsetail and bulrush were recorded in dryer areas.

The bankside vegetation includes creeping bent, lords-and-ladies, white bryony and rosebay willowherb.

Ditch 1 has historically been tree-lined, but was cleared when the arable field was extended.



3.3.6 Log pile

Phase 1 Habitat Survey type: n/a

HPI: No.

Management: N/A

Two large piles of wood, which appear to comprise trees felled from clearance of bank side vegetation. Plate 7 Log pile



3.3.7 Bare or disturbed ground and earth banks

Phase 1 Habitat Survey type: spoil, bare ground

HPI: No.

Management: N/A

There is a spoil heap in the north west of the site and an earth bank that forms a boundary between the new supermarket and the Site.

The banks are likely to have been grass seeded, but also include colonising species present in the spoil heap and disturbed areas such as cleavers and bristly oxtongue as well as wild mignonette, white campion and charlock.

Plate 8 Spoil heap



3.4 Species

3.4.1 Invertebrates

Protected / Species of Principal Importance (SPI): some are, but unlikely to be present.

The Site's terrestrial habitats are common and widespread, with the agricultural crop believed to be subject to regular herbicide and pesticide spraying. They are therefore unlikely to support species or a range of invertebrate fauna which is of conservation importance.

3.4.2 Amphibians

Protected / SPI: Some are, and may be present.

Great crested newts are a European Protected Species (EPS). The newts can travel some distance from their breeding pond. It is best practice to consider whether ponds within 500 m of a development site may support a breeding population of newts, in order to assess the likely risk of harm to newts if they occur on terrestrial habitat at the Site.

Ordinance survey mapping, aerial photos and the site visit were used to identify the presence of ponds within 500 m of the Site. Nine ponds were located (See Plan 1 below).

Pond 1 is immediately adjacent to the Site, it is located within the garden centre and its overflow feeds Ditch 1. Pond 1 scores 0.79 in the HSI (good quality for great crested newts). Pond 2 is a water attenuation pond in an unmanaged field north of the Site. The pond was dry at the time of survey and appears to rarely hold water (based on the vegetation growing within it). Ponds 3,5,6 and 7 are part of the water treatment processes at the Thames Water site. These were not viewed for this survey, but are unlikely to be suitable for newts. Pond 4 is a series of connected ditches and scrapes at the Bicester Wetland Nature Reserve. This feature was not surveyed fully, but observed by binoculars. It has a HSI score of 0.53 (below average quality for great crested newts. Ponds 8 and 9 are new attenuations ponds associated with the development to the west; the former is for road runoff from the new road access and the latter appears to be in what will be public open space. Neither held water at the time of survey, although Pond 9 does have emergent plants indicating it is wet or at least damp for some of the year. HSI data is included in Appendix 2, Table 4.

The HSI survey was undertaken at a time of year when newts lay eggs, but none were observed during the survey.



3.4.3 Reptiles

Protected / SPI: Yes and possibly present.

The Site's rough field margins and hedgerows are suitable for common lizard *Zootoca vivipara* and slow worm *Anguis fragilis*. All British reptiles are protected from killing or injury (but their habitat is not specially protected) and are SPI. The majority of the Site (the crop) is considered to be of very limited value to reptiles due to the monoculture of the field and lack of basking areas. It is possible that some reptiles are present in the rough vegetation at the boundaries and the log piles, however, it is considered unlikely that there is a significant population present.

The Site may therefore support a small population of common lizard and/or slow worm. Grass snakes may hunt within the Site as part of a much wider home range.

3.4.4 Birds

Protected / SPI: Some are, and are likely to be present.

The hedgerows and trees provide opportunities for birds to nest on the Site. As well as more common birds, several skylark *Alauda arvensis* were also observed singing above the Site – there may be four or more active nests. A single song thrush *Turdus philomelos* was also recorded.

Whilst some red and amber list species are present on Site, the breeding assemblage is not likely to be anything other than typical of the habitats present in the geographic location.

3.4.5 Dormouse

Protected / SPI: Unlikely to be present.

Dormice are protected under international legislation. They inhabit hedges, woodland, scrub and sometimes ruderal vegetation. Although the Site includes some of these habitats, typically the species is found in areas of extensive woodland. The Site is poorly connected to woodland and it is considered that dormouse are unlikely to occur at the Site.

3.4.6 Badgers

Protected / SPI: Yes.

A number of rabbit warrens were recorded around the Site, under hedgerows. A single larger mammal hole was also recorded. The spoil contained rabbit fur and droppings, and there were rabbit droppings in the entrance. However, the entrance tunnel was of a size and shape typical of badgers. It is possible that this is an outlier sett that is not currently occupied by badgers.

No further evidence of badger was observed on the Site or within 30 m of the Site boundary.

3.4.7 Riparian mammals

The Site's ditches do not hold sufficient water to support a water vole population. Although dry ditches may be used by otters moving between rivers or to foraging areas, the Site is not close to major river systems. Otters and water vole are unlikely to occur at the Site.

3.4.8 Bats

Protected / SPI: Possible roosting and foraging.

Foraging and commuting

Although the main body of the Site will be of limited value to bats, the hedgerows and trees are likely to be used by a number of foraging bats. Bat are also likely to use the Site as a route to move across the landscape, for example between roosts in Bicester and foraging at the Bicester Wetland Reserve. The Site is considered to be of medium value to bats according to Bat Conservation Trust classification (Habitat that is connected to the wider landscape that could be used by bats for foraging such as trees, scrub, grassland or water – see Appendix 2, Table 2.)

Roosting

Trees

A number of trees were recorded that are suitable for roosting bats (see Appendix 2). These include individual trees on most of the site boundaries.

4 Assessment

Relevant legislation and national planning policy is provided in Appendix 1.

4.1 Development Proposals and Possible Impacts

The proposals are to develop the Site into business centre with 11 office blocks, a lake and associated car parking.

Vehicle access to the Site will be made from existing access points constructed with the new supermarket; all boundary hedges and trees can be retained within the scheme.

All of the Site's arable land and arable margins are likely to be removed.

The proposals include the creation of a new lake.

4.2 Potential Effects for Consideration

The following section will address what is relevant for consideration within the forthcoming Environmental Impact Assessment.

The Site as a whole is not of sufficient intrinsic ecological value to warrant whole-scale protection from development; the majority of the Site's habitats which will be affected by the proposal are common and widespread and are considered to be of low intrinsic biodiversity value.

Features requiring some level of further consideration, which may lead to a requirement for mitigation or compensation, are:

- The Bicester Wetland Nature Reserve
- Ditches
- Great crested newts
- Reptiles
- Birds
- Bats
- Badgers

4.2.1 Bicester Wetland Nature Reserve

The EIA will need to consider whether the reserve is hydrologically connected to the Site and therefore whether additional measures will be required during construction and operation to ensure that it is not impacted e.g. through pollution.

4.2.2 Habitat Loss

The proposed construction on the Site will lead to the loss of Ditch 1, which supports a number of wetland plants. The EIA will need to assess whether this loss is significant and if habitat improvements within the scheme offset this loss.

4.2.3 Great Crested Newts

If great crested newts breed in ponds and ditches close to the Site, the proposed works will lead to a loss in terrestrial and breeding habitat (the southern ditch) for great crested newts.

Ponds local to the Site do not appear to have been directly surveyed for great crested newts. Although a Site based terrestrial survey was undertaken in 2006, this is out of date and further surveys will be required to establish whether those ponds and ditches within 250 m support a crested newt population. The survey season for full pond surveys is mid-March to mid-June, with half of the visits between mid-April and mid-May. This will not be feasible this season, and so an eDNA survey will be more appropriate. This can be undertaken to the end of June, but will only provide a present or absent result, not the size of any population detected.

As the majority of the terrestrial newt habitat within the Site is of low value to newts and a reasonable area is available for mitigation (in undevelopable flood plain) a comprehensive mitigation plan can be put together based on the presence / absence result by making an assumption that there is a large population present, and basing mitigation on this. Loss of breeding Sites and terrestrial habitat could be compensated for within the Site's landscaping scheme or an off-Site receptor could be used to receive newts from the Site. Natural England's new policies on licence applications have changed the way in which mitigation for newts is considered; the approach is more flexible, allows for data to be accepted that doesn't strictly meet best practice in some cases and is more accepting of off-site solutions.

Of most relevant is Policy 4 – 'Appropriate and relevant surveys where the impacts of development can be confidently predicted'

Natural England will be expected to ensure that licensing decisions are properly supported by survey information, taking into account industry standards and guidelines. It may, however, accept a lower than standard survey effort where: the costs or delays associated with carrying out standard survey requirements would be disproportionate to the additional certainty that it would bring; the ecological impacts of development can be predicted with sufficient certainty; and mitigation or compensation will ensure that the licensed activity does not detrimentally affect the conservation status of the local population of any EPS.

It would seem reasonable that the ES for an outline application at the site can therefore be based on the results of eDNA surveys, which would be followed up by further survey (if necessary) prior to reserved matters.

4.2.4 Reptiles

Reptiles may be present at the Site. However, the areas of habitat in which they may be found is limited. The EIA should address impacts to reptiles, but it would be reasonable to assume that a small population is present, rather than undertake surveys for this species.

4.2.5 Birds

The EIA will need to address impacts to birds, and specifically skylarks – the only notable species which is likely to suffer habitat loss as part of the project. A survey to better quantify the number of skylark territories would aid the assessment. Although territories are principally established in early spring, skylark have a habit of maintaining their territory through song and so two visits between now and mid July would still be appropriate.

4.2.6 Badgers

The loss of the possible single outlier sett will not be significant to the local badger population; however badger setts are legally protected and further consideration for mitigation and licencing will be required.

4.2.7 Bats

Although trees containing bat roosts are unlikely to be felled, indirect effects may occur due to habitat loss, disruption of commuting routes and lighting.

In order to assess the impact of the scheme, further surveys to quantify bats' use of the Site for commuting and foraging should be undertaken (activity surveys). Where trees are at risk of more direct effects, such as lighting, more detailed tree surveys should be completed.

Following best practice, activity surveys would comprise identifying two transect routes which are walked with bat detectors once per month through the active season. In this case we would undertake surveys between May and September, including one dusk and pre-dawn survey. At each survey period four static bat detectors would be left in suitable locations to record bat activity over at least five continuous nights. After the first three sets of surveys are undertaken, we will review the activity recorded and re-assess whether a whole year's survey is required for this assessment – by then the scheme design will have been further developed, and impacts to bats may have been designed out of the scheme, or we may have demonstrated that the Site is not important for bats.

Tree surveys would involve assessing where impacts to bats are most likely and targeting trees in these areas with a more detailed ground based inspection and, where appropriate, climbing the trees to closely assess features for evidence of bats.

Appendix 1 - Relevant English Legislation, Policy and Guidance⁵

Legislation

The Natural Environment & Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006 places a duty on authorities to have due regard for biodiversity and nature conservation during the course of their operations.

Common Reptiles

In Britain there are four relatively widespread native species of reptile - adder, grass snake, common lizard and slow worm. These species are protected via part of Section 9(1) of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) against:

- Intentional killing and injuring
- Selling, offering or exposing for sale.

Nesting Birds

All wild bird nests are protected under The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), making it an offence to:

• Intentionally kill, injure or take any wild bird or their eggs or nests (with certain exceptions) and disturb any bird species listed under Schedule 1 of the Act, or its dependent young while it is nesting.

Great Crested Newts

Great crested newts are 'European Protected Species (EPS) and are protected under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010, and the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, as amended by the Countryside & Rights of Way Act 2000. These pieces of legislation combine to give substantial protection to great crested newts and their breeding ponds and terrestrial habitat, making it an offence to:

- Deliberately capture, injure or kill a great crested newt.
- Intentionally or recklessly disturb⁶ a great crested newt in a structure or place that they use for shelter or protection or deliberately disturb a group of a great crested newts.
- Damage or destroy a great crested newt resting place/shelter (even if they are not occupying it at the time).
- Possess or advertise/sell/exchange a great crested newt (dead or alive) or any part of a great crested newt (including eggs and all lifestages).

⁵ This legal information is an outline only and intended for general information only. Consult the original legal documents and/or seek legal advice for definitive information.

⁶ Disturbance, includes 'in particular any action which impairs the ability of animals to survive, breed, rear their young, hibernate or migrate (where relevant); or which affects significantly the local distribution or abundance of the species'.

• Intentionally or recklessly obstruct access to a great crested newt resting place/shelter.

The Natural Environment & Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006 places a duty on authorities to have due regard for biodiversity and nature conservation during the course of their operations.

Bats

All species of bat in Britain are 'European Protected Species' (EPS) and are protected under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010, and the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, as amended by the Countryside & Rights of Way Act 2000. These pieces of legislation combine to give substantial protection to EPS and their habitats, making it an offence to:

- Deliberately capture, injure or kill a bat.
- Intentionally or recklessly disturb⁷ a bat in its roost or deliberately disturb a group of bats.
- Damage or destroy a bat roosting place (even if bats are not occupying the roost at the time).
- Possess or advertise/sell/exchange a bat (dead or alive) or any part of a bat.
- Intentionally or recklessly obstruct access to a bat roost.

The Natural Environment & Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006 places a duty on authorities to have due regard for biodiversity and nature conservation during the course of their operations.

Badgers

Badgers are protected in the UK under the Protection of Badgers Act (1992), making it an offence to:

- Kill, injure or take a badger;
- Intentionally or recklessly interfere with a badger sett.

Sett interference includes damaging, destroying or obstructing access to a sett and disturbing badgers while they occupy a sett.

Policy

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) states that the planning system should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by:

⁷ Disturbance, includes 'in particular any action which impairs the ability of animals to survive, breed, rear their young, hibernate or migrate (where relevant); or which affects significantly the local distribution or abundance of the species'.

- Recognising the wider benefits of ecosystem services.
- Minimising impacts on biodiversity and providing net gains in biodiversity where possible, contributing to the Government's commitment to halt the overall decline in biodiversity, including by establishing coherent ecological networks that are more resilient to current and future pressures.

Other key principles of the NPPF relating to biodiversity are:

- The conservation of International and National statutorily designated sites.
- Protection of ancient woodland and veteran trees.
- The creation, protection, enhancement and management of networks of biodiversity and green infrastructure.
- The preservation, restoration and recreation of priority habitats and ecological networks.
- The recovery of priority species populations.

Habitats and species of principal importance

The NERC Act requires the Secretary of State to publish a list of habitats and species which are of principal importance for the conservation of biodiversity in England. The list replaces the UK Biodiversity Action Pans (UKBAP) and has been drawn up in consultation with Natural England, as required by the Act.

The S41 list is used to guide decision-makers such as public bodies, including local and regional authorities, in implementing their duty under section 40 of NERC Act, to have regard to the conservation of biodiversity in England, when carrying out their normal functions.

Habitats of principal importance

Fifty-six habitats of principal importance (HPI) are included on the S41 list. These are all the habitats in England that were identified as requiring action in the UK Biodiversity Action Plan (UK BAP) and continue to be regarded as conservation priorities in the subsequent UK Post-2010 Biodiversity Framework. Of most relevance to the Site, they include ponds, open mosaic habitats on previously developed land and lowland heathland.

Species of principal importance

There are 943 species of principal importance (SPI) included on the S41 list. These are the species found in England which were identified as requiring action under the UK BAP and which continue to be regarded as conservation priorities under the UK Post-2010 Biodiversity Framework.

Table 2 BCT Roost Assessment Criteria⁸

Suitability	Description of Roosting habitats	Commuting and foraging habitats
Negligible	Negligible habitat features on site likely to be used roosting bats.	Negligible habitat features on site likely to be used by commuting or foraging bats.
Low	A structure with one or more potential roost sites that could be used by individual bats opportunistically. However, these potential roost sites do not provide enough space, shelter, protection, appropriate conditions and/or suitable surrounding habitat to be used on a regular basis or by larger numbers of bats (i.e. unlikely be suitable for maternity or hibernation). A tree of sufficient size and age to contain PRFs but none seen from the ground or features seen with only very limited roosting potential.	Habitat that could be used by small numbers of commuting bats such as a gappy hedgerow or un-vegetated stream, but isolated, i.e. not very well connected to the surrounding landscape by another habitat. Suitable, but isolated habitat that could be used by small numbers of foraging bats such as a lone tree (not in a parkland situation) or a patch of scrub.
Moderate	A structure or tree with one or more potential roost sites that could be used by bats due to their size, shelter, protection, conditions and surrounding habitat, but unlikely to support a roost of high conservation status ^{9.}	Continuous habitat connected with the wider landscape that could be used by bats for commuting such as lines of trees and scrub or linked back gardens. Habitat that is connected to the wider landscape that could be used by bats for foraging such as trees, scrub, grassland or water.
High	A structure or tree with one or more potential roost sites that are obviously suitable for use by larger numbers of bats on a more regular basis and potentially for longer periods of time due to their size, shelter, protection, conditions and surrounding habitat. A structure or tree with one or more potential roost sites that are obviously suitable for use by larger numbers of bats on a more regular basis and potentially for longer periods of time due to their size, shelter, protection, conditions' and surrounding habitat.	Continuous, high-quality habitat that is well connected to the wider landscape that is likely to be used regularly by commuting bats such as river valleys, streams, hedgerows, lines of trees and woodland edge. High-quality habitat that is well connected to the wider landscape that is likely to be used regularly by foraging bats such as broadleaved woodland, tree-lined watercourses and grazed parkland. Site is close to and connected to known roosts.

⁸ From Collins, J. (ed.) (2016) *Bat Surveys for Professional Ecologists: Good Practice Guidelines* (3rd edn). The Bat Conservation Trust, London

⁹ With respect to roost type only - the assessments in this table are made irrespective of species conservation status, which is established after presence is confirmed.

Appendix 2 – Survey Data

Table 3 Botanical Species List

		Field Boundaries	Grassland	Ditches	Bare Ground / Disturbed
Agrostis stolonifera	Creeping Bent			R	
Alisma plantago-aquatica	Water-plantain			R	
Anthriscus sylvestris	Cow Parsley	LD			
Arctium minus	Lesser Burdock	R			0
Arum maculatum	Lords-and-Ladies	0	R	R	
Bryonia dioica	White Bryony			R	
Callitriche sp.	Water-starwort			LD	
Cerastium fontanum	Common Mouse-ear				R
Chamerion angustifolium	Rosebay Willowherb			R	
Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle	R		R	R
Equisetum palustre	Marsh Horsetail			0	
Festuca pratensis	Meadow Fescue	0			
Galium aparine	Cleavers	0			R
Geranium dissectum	Cut-leaved Crane's-bill	0			R
Juncus inflexus	Hard Rush			R	
Lamium album	White Dead-nettle	0			R
Lemna minor	Common Duckweed			R	
Lolium perenne	Perennial Rye-grass		F	0	
Myosotis arvensis	Field Forget-me-not	0			R
Picris echioides	Bristly Oxtongue	R		R	R
Plantago major	Greater Plantain				R
Poa pratensis	Smooth Meadow-grass			F	0
Poa trivialis	Rough Meadow-grass		F		
Ranunculus sp.	Water-crowfoot			LD	
Ranunculus ficaria	Lesser Celandine			R	
Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup			R	
Reseda lutea	Wild Mignonette				R
Rorippa nasturtium- aquaticum	Water-cress			LD	
Sambucus nigra	Elder			R	
Silene latifolia	White Campion				R
Sinapis arvensis	Charlock				R
Sisymbrium officinale	Hedge Mustard	0			A

Stachys arvensis	Field Woundwort	R			
Symphytum officinale	Common Comfrey	R			
Taraxacum officinale	Dandelion				R
Tussilago farfara	Colt's-foot				R
Typha sp.	Bulrush			LD	
Urtica dioica	Common Nettle	LD	R		R
Veronica beccabunga	Brooklime			R	
Veronica persica	Common field speedwell				
DAFOR scale	Dominant, Abundant, Frequent, Occasional, Rare (L = locally)				

Table 4 Pond HSI

Pond ref	Pond 1	Pond 4
SI1 - Location	1.00	1.00
SI2 - Pond area	0.90	0.94
SI3 - Pond drying	0.90	0.50
SI4 - Water quality	1.00	1.00
SI4 - Shade	1.00	1.00
SI6 - Fowl	0.67	0.01
SI7 - Fish	0.67	0.67
SI8 - Ponds	1.00	1.00
SI9 – Terrestrial habitat	0.67	1.00
SI10 - Macrophytes	0.41	1.00
HSI	0.79	0.56
	Good	Below
	0000	average

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Table 5
Hedgerow and Tree Group Descriptions

ID	Species	Tree Age	Bat roost features present	Bat roost suitability ¹⁰	Comments
G1	Elmus sp., hawthorn, sycamore, ash, salix sp., field maple	Immature	Ivy only	N to L	Opportunities for single bats behind thick stemmed ivy.
H1	Elmus sp., hawthorn, blackthorn, elder	-	-	-	Managed. Two parallel hedges. Gappy with new planting in gaps.
H1 standards	Ash	Early mature	Ivy only	1 x N, 1 x L	Two hedgerow standards. Opportunities for single bats behind thick stemmed ivy.
H2	Hawthorn, elder, goat willow	-	-	-	Unmanaged hedgerow.
H2 standards	Oak	Mature to over mature	Splits, wound holes	M to H	Upper canopies not inspectable due to foliage.
B1	Soil bund (see Jo's results)	-	-	-	Vegetated soil bund. Managed (sprayed and strimmed) on aspect facing Tesco. Weeds and grasses on aspect facing site.
G2	White or crack willow, goat willow, ash, elder, hawthorn, Prunus sp., field maple	Immature to early mature	Would holes	N to L	Wound holes in older trees for single bats.
G3	White or crack willow, goat willow, hawthorn, elder	Immature to early mature	None	Ν	Multiple groups of trees beside drain.
H3	Blackthorn, hawthorn, elder	-	-	-	Unmanaged hedgerow. No standards.
H4	Hawthorn, elder, crab apple, blackthorn, ash	-	-	-	Unmanaged hedgerow.

¹⁰ Bat roost suitability: N=negligible, L=low, M=medium, H=high, R=roost present

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ID	Species	Tree Age	Bat roost features present	Bat roost suitability ¹⁰	Comments
H4 standards	Elmus sp., ash, crack willow, Poplus sp.,	Immature to mature	Splits, wound holes, thick ivy stems	N to M	Limited to one crack willow tree.
G4	White or crack willow, ash	Early mature to mature	Splits, wound holes	L to M	Pollarded willow - large hollow in base. 2nd willow with wound holes and splits.
G5	Field maple, hazel, ash, oak, hawthorn, cherry species, crab apple, elder	Immature to mature	Wound holes, splits	N to M	1 x mature oak - no features noted but of an age to support features and foliage covering upper crown hindering inspection. 1 x mature ash with numerous wound holes and splits.
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Table 6
Hedgerow Regulations Assessment ¹¹

Ref	His	stori	cal			Pro rare	tecte e spec	d or cies	Num Woo per 5	ber of dy spe 0m	cies	Ass	socia	ated	Feat	ture	S		Qualifies as important? ¹²
	1	2	3	4	5	а	b	С	5+	6+	7+	а	b	С	d	е	f	g	
H1	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Y	Ν	Υ	Ν	Ν	No
H2	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	Ν	Ν	Ν	Y	Ν	Y	Ν	Υ	Y	Ν	No
H3	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	Ν	Ν	Ν	Ν	Y	Ν	Ν	Υ	Y	Ν	No
H4	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	Y	Ν	Ν	Ν	Y	Y	Ν	Υ	Y	Ν	Yes

Criteria

Historic

- 1. Marks a pre-1850 parish or township boundary
- 2. Incorporates an archaeological feature
- 3. Is part of or associated with an archaeological site
- 4. Marks the boundary of or is associated with a pre-1600 estate or manor
- 5. Forms an integral part of a pre- Parliamentary enclosure field system

Protected or rare species

- 6. Contains certain categories of animals or plants:
- a) Wildlife and Countryside Act Schedule 1 birds / Schedule 5 animals
- b) Declining breeder (category 3) in "Red Data Birds
- c) Categorised as "endangered", "extinct", "rare" or "vulnerable" in Britain

Woody Species

- 7. Includes:
- a) At least 7 woody species, on average, in a 30 m length
- b) At least 6 woody species, on average, in a 30 m length and has three associated features
- c) At least 6 woody species, on average, in a 30 m length, including a black-poplar tree, or largeleaved lime, or small-leaved line, or wild service-tree
- d) At least 5 woody species, on average, in a 30 m length and has at least 4 associated features

Associated features are:

- a) A bank or wall supporting the hedgerow
- b) Less than 10% gaps
- c) On average, at least one tree per 50 metres
- d) At least 3 species from a list of 57 woodland plants
- e) A ditch
- f) A number of connections with other hedgerows, ponds or woodland
- g) A parallel hedge within 15 m

¹¹ U=unknown, N=no, Y=yes

¹² Under woody species and associated features only

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Appendix 4 – Figures and Target Notes

Target	Target Notes					
No.	Description					
1	Arable field in location that aerial photo implies was rough grassland.					
2	Large log piles crated from clearance of this area of site and ditch banks					
3	Large single mammal hole, likely outlier badger sett not currently occupied by badgers					
4	Spoil heap and area of disturbed ground					

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Appendix 3 – Phase 1 Environmental Risk Assessment



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Executive Summary

Background	BuroHappold Engineering was commissioned by Scenic Land Development to carry out a geoenvironmental desk study and Flood Risk Appraisal of the site referred to as Bicester Office Park and located at Lakeview Drive, Bicester.
Environmental Setting	The site is located adjacent to the south of the main conurbation of Bicester. Access to the site is from the west along an access road with a bund to the south of the road. The majority of the site is south and east of the access road and comprises open agricultural land. There was both evidence of grazing (fencing) and cultivation (shallow plough ruts). The proposed development comprises a new commercial development with associated car parking and landscaping. Adjacent to the north of the access road is a new Tesco superstore, in the north east of this superstore development is a petrol station. Another petrol station (Esso) is located 75m north east (c.200m from centre of site). The south east boundary of the site continues into farmland, with a drainage channel / small stream running south in this area. This stream enters a larger watercourse and continues to flow south. Further east (50m from site) is a mainline railway, 200m south is a sewage treatment works. In the central and southern areas of the site is a line of manhole covers, these appear to flow to the sewage treatment works. Around some of the manhole covers were wet wipes, indicating that these locations have been blocked and cleared out (and possibly overflowed). Although the site is not within a Source Protection Zone (SPZ), there are four groundwater abstraction licences within 1000m of the site. The nearest is 210m north east, at the petrol station, for pollution remediation, application number WRW/A/1145. The licence is due to expire in 2018. It is assumed that this licence relates to a pollution incident in 2003 classed as Category 4 (no impact). No further information has been provided on either the abstraction or the pollution incident.
Geoenvironmental Considerations	The site, historically and presently, is open agricultural land. In recent years (since 2014), the land adjacent to the north has been developed as a food superstore with a petrol forecourt, another petrol forecourt is located 100m north west. The further petrol station appears to have been subject to voluntary remediation, this is assumed to be for a fuel leak to ground (unconfirmed). A sewage treatment works is located 200m south east of the site. A series of manholes showing the path of the trunk sewer, intersect the site leading to the sewage treatment works. There is evidence that the sewers block and possibly overflow (wet wipes around manhole covers). As part of a site investigation for the design of the trunk sewers, four samples were taken for chemical analysis. Although no interpretation was completed in the investigation, this report has screened the results against S4UL values. No samples exceed residential or commercial thresholds.
Geoenvironmental Risk Assessment	There is a moderate / low risk to future site users from faecal matter, asbestos and metals from inhalation and ingestion. There is a moderate / low risk to construction and investigation workers from faecal matter, asbestos and metals from inhalation and ingestion. There is a moderate / low risk to site neighbours from asbestos and metals through dust generation and inhalation.
Flood Risk Appraisal	Part of the site lies within a designated flood zone, the hydrology is understood and the current masterplan has designated land uses that are commensurate with the zone classifications. A revised planning application will need a new flood risk assessment but the constraints posed by the flood risk consideration should be met with standard design solutions.
Conclusions and Recommendations	The risk is considered suitably low that no exceptional costs associated with ground remediation are likely to be realised for the proposed development, therefore no further investigation is required for an outline planning application. During construction standard practice such as welfare facilities, good housekeeping, contamination watching brief and PPE should be adopted. Notwithstanding the above, a site investigation will be required to discharge relevant planning conditions. This will need to assess the geoenvironmental risks associated with the construction of the proposed structures. This investigation will be used to confirm and quantify the potential risks (if any) to site neighbours and future site users and will inform the need for any mitigation or remediation requirements.

1 Introduction

1.1 General

BuroHappold Engineering was commissioned by Scenic Land Development, to carry out a geoenvironmental desk study and Flood Risk Appraisal of the site referred to as Bicester Office Park and located at Lakeview Drive, Bicester, OX26 1DE centred on the grid reference 457807 221589.

The site is predominantly agricultural land located adjacent to the south of the main conurbation of Bicester, shown by Figure 1-1 and Figure 1-2 below. The proposed development comprises 11no. commercial units with associated car parking and landscaping.



1.2 Study Aims and Objectives

The overall aim of this study was to carry out a geoenvironmental risk assessment and flood risk appraisal of the site in order to inform the Client's understanding of potential ground-related risks to meet planning requirements.

In relation to ground contamination, this report will provide information relevant to development in accordance with the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) [1]. The work was carried out in general accordance with the Environment Agency / Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) Model Procedures [2], the relevant British Standard [3], the Environment Agency Guiding Principles [4], Groundwater Protection Policy [5] and other current good practice guidance. The particular objectives were:

- To determine the historical and current use of the site and its surroundings;
- To determine the nature of the ground conditions and the environmental sensitivity of the site;
- To assess the potential location, nature and extent of any ground and groundwater contamination;
- To assess the potential risks to people and the environment (natural and built) associated with ground contamination (solid, liquid or gas) both in the site's existing condition and for the future use;

- To make an initial assessment of any potential flood risk constraints or considerations;
- To construct an Initial Conceptual Model and carry out a preliminary contaminated land risk assessment, in general accordance with the EA/DEFRA Model Procedures for the management of land contamination [2];
- To prepare a report based upon all of the above suitable to support a future planning application in accordance with NPPF [1] and meet the Client's due diligence requirements; and
- To evaluate the potential need for and scope of any subsequent site investigations and/or remedial action or design.

1.3 Information Sources

The principal sources of information for this desk study report include: historical and current topographic maps and public register information from the Groundsure report (Appendix D); previous site investigation reports (discussed in Section 5); a site walkover survey; and information available from the Environment Agency website and other online sources.

This report is based upon information obtained from third party sources, together with observations from the site walkover survey. The third party data has been accepted as face value and has not been independently verified. BuroHappold can therefore give no warranty, representation or assurance as to the accuracy or completeness of such information.

2 Current land use and proposed development

2.1 Site Walkover

A site walkover was undertaken on Wednesday 15th March 2017. Further details are below and with an annotated aerial photograph as Figure 2-1.

2.1.1 Site Location and Topography

The site is located within the southern conurbation of Bicester. The site is generally flat, with a slight drop to the south and east. The access is along an access road in the west, the south of this access road is bunded (northern boundary of the agricultural fields). This bund is between 1.5m and 2m. A surface inspection of the bund indicates that it is likely constructed with site won material.



Figure 2-1 Annotated aerial photograph (base photograph dated 2015)

2.1.2 Current Site Use

Access to the site is along an access road to the west. In the north, and north of the access road, is a manmade pond with associated landscaping. Along the south of the access road is a 1.5m to 2m high bund (Section 2.1.1). The majority of the site is south and east of the access road and comprises open agricultural land. There was both evidence of grazing (fencing) and cultivation (shallow plough ruts). A drainage channel runs north / south, from the access road to the southern boundary, along the north of the drainage channel – near the access road – is an area used for material storage. This area had plastic and concrete pipework, gravel and wood chippings. Two heaps of wood, comprising tree branches and timber up to 3m high, are in the south of the site. In the central and southern areas of the site is a line of manhole covers (Figure 2-1), these appear to flow to the adjacent sewage treatment works (Section 2.2). Around some of the manhole covers were wet wipes, indicating that these locations have been blocked and cleared out (and possibly overflowed).

One substation is present in the west of the site. Two more are adjacent to the north, associated with the Tesco superstore. These substations appear to be modern (<5 years old) and in good condition.

2.1.3 Invasive Species

No invasive spices were observed during the walkover.

2.2 Current Activities in the Surrounding Area

Adjacent to the north of the access road is a new Tesco superstore, in the north east of this superstore development is an associated petrol forecourt. Another petrol station (Esso) is located 75m north east (c.200m from centre of site, Section 4.2). Further north of the A41 is a shopping centre (Bicester Designer Outlet Village) with Bicester town beyond. The west of the site is bound by a shallow drainage ditch, with the A41 and a new housing development beyond. The housing development, which is still being constructed, incorporates a hotel, pub/restaurant and series of schools. The south is bound by a continuation of the western drainage ditch, which forms a pond near the southern tip of the site. Beyond this is another shopping centre (Bicester Avenue) with farmland beyond. The south east boundary of the site continues into farmland, with a drainage channel / small stream running south in this area. This stream enters a larger watercourse and continues to flow south. Further east (50m from site) is a mainline railway, 200m south is a sewage treatment works. As mentioned in Section 2.1.2, the sewers present on site flow to the sewage treatment works.

2.3 Proposed Development

The proposed development comprises a series of commercial units with associated car parking and landscaping. An extract of the masterplan is presented below with the full drawing in Appendix A



Figure 2-2 Extract of proposed masterplan. Development site includes red line (south) and access road.

3 Environmental Setting

3.1 Geology

The anticipated site geology is summarised in Table 3-1 - Summary of Anticipated Geology below. This has been determined with reference to the relevant BGS map (1:50,000 series, sheet 219, Buckingham. BGS 2002); BGS borehole logs (Appendix B); the Groundsure report (Appendix D) and historic site investigation data (Section 5).

Strata	Description	Depth to top [Thickness] (m)	Aquifer status
Alluvium	Normally soft to firm consolidated, compressible silty clay, but can contain layers of silt, sand, peat and basal gravel. A stronger, desiccated surface zone may be present.	GL [<3m]	Secondary
River Terrace Deposits	Sand and gravel, locally with lenses of silt, clay or peat.	GL [<3]	Secondary
Kellaways Formation	Siltstone and mudstone.	GL – 3 [2-3]	Unproductive
Cornbrash Formation	Limestone, medium- to fine-grained, generally and characteristically intensely bioturbated and consequently poorly bedded. Generally bluish grey when fresh, but weathers to olive or yellowish brown. (Regionally between 1 to 4m thick)	<5 [2]	Secondary
Forest Marble Formation	Silicate-mudstone, greenish grey, variably calcareous. A variety of limestone types occur, of which grey, weathering brown and flaggy, variably sandy medium to coarsely bioclastic grainstone or less commonly, packstone predominates, especially at the base. (Regionally between 2 to 7m thick).	2.5 - >5 [7]	Unproductive
White Limestone Formation	A pale grey to off-white or yellowish limestone, peloidal wackestone and packstone with subordinate ooidal and shell fragmental grainstones. (Regionally between 7 and 18m thick)	9 [base not proven]	Principle

Table 3-1 - Summary of Anticipated Geology



3.2 Hydrogeology

A secondary aquifer associated with the Alluvium and Cornbrash Formation partially underlies the west of the site. A groundwater abstraction well was advanced in 2016 (Appendix B), this borehole struck water at 8.0m below ground level (bgl), and according to the logs, could not seal it off to depth (45m bgl). The water rose to 1.5m above ground level (artesian). Anecdotal evidence from the design team in BuroHappold suggests that this well was drilled to supply the proposed water feature on site, however after development, the waters still contained sediment and so the well was abandoned.

Although the site is not within a Source Protection Zone (SPZ), there are four groundwater abstractions licences within 1000m of the site. The nearest is 210m north east at the petrol station, for pollution remediation scheme. The application number is WRW/A/1145. The licence is due to expire in 2018. It is assumed that this licence relates to a pollution incident in 2003 (Section 4.2) classed as Category 4 (no impact). No further information has been provided on either the abstraction or the pollution incident. The nearest potable license is 812m south west for Bicester Trailer Park, issued in 1987.

3.3 Hydrology and Drainage

No natural surface water features are present on site, however a manmade ditch runs north / south in the west of the site (see Figure 2-1). Adjacent to the south and the east of the site are drainage ditches, as shown in Figure 3-3 as light blue features. These a minor tributaries of the larger river (Lanford Brook – dark blue in Figure 3-3).



A series of manholes were present across the central and southern areas of the site as detailed in Section 8and present on Figure 2-1. These flow to the sewage treatment works about 200m south of the site.

There are no surface water abstraction licences are within 1000m of the site.

3.4 Ecology

No areas of ecological protection are within 1000m of the site.

4 Site Setting

4.1 Site History

The site history and that for the surrounding area has been completed using historic maps from 1880 to 2014. A summary of the history is below with the maps reproduced in full in Appendix D.

4.1.1 On site history

Prior to 1880, the site was agricultural land with field boundaries throughout the site. Of particular interest is the western field boundary, which remained constant throughout the mapping and is now the drainage ditch running through the site. A single, small building was present in the west of the site (Figure 4-1). Prior to 1898, a second small building has been constructed in the west of the site. These building were removed by 1950. Prior to 1985 two different buildings were constructed in the west of the site and a new drain had been laid in the central to the site running north / south, and by 2002 a third building had been constructed (Figure 4-2). This layout was present up and including the 2014 map.



4.1.2 Off site history

Prior to 1880, the site was surrounded by agricultural land that was noted as 'Liable to Floods'. Roman Way bound the west of the site. Adjacent to the eastern corner of the site was Bicester Sewage Pipe, flowing 200m south to a sewage tank. 50m east was the Oxford Main line. The edge of Bicester was 500m north. Prior to 1960 new railway sidings and depots were constructed from 250m south around Graven Hill. By 1970, Bicester had expanded west, and Roman Way was straightened and renamed to Oxford Road, a Sewage Farm was constructed 200m south. 50m north was a new building, part of a farm, and a well. This well appears to be the source of the water, which enters the drainage ditch intersecting the site (it is assumed the well was present before this, just unlabelled). By 1985 Bicester had expanded further west, the sewage farm (now Sewage Works) also expanded. The field boundary / drainage ditch was no longer present adjacent to the north. A Nursery was constructed adjacent to the south. By 1995 the A41 was constructed adjacent to the north of the site running east, beyond this was a new commercial area with recreation grounds beyond. The nursery to the south also expanded.

4.2 Regulatory Data

Regulatory data relating to potentially contaminative uses is summarised in Table 4-1 below. This information was obtained from the Groundsure report, presented in full in Appendix D.

Table 4-1 - Summary of Regulatory Data

Item	Location [on/off site]	Information	Potential to Impact					
Environmental Permits, Incidents and Registers								
List 2 Dangerous Substances	4 [215m S]	All four licences relate the discharge of various metals to Langford Brook by Haul Waste Disposal Ltd	No					
Past A(2) and Part B Activities	2 [125m NW, 228m NE]	Petrol filling stations associated with Tesco and Esso respectively.	Yes					
Discharge Consents	2 [98m NE]	Bicester retail park for the discharge to surface water of miscellaneous	No					
	9 [215m S]	Sewage Treatment licences for storm overflow and treated effluent. 7 revoked, 2 remain.	No					
	4 [From 262m]	Service station and Business centre, sewage treatment works – all revoked.	No					
Environment Agency	1 [5m S]	2002: Microbial to water	No					
Recorded Pollution Incidents	3 [45m N]	2001: Various contaminants to land	No					
	1 [217m SE]	2002: Sewage to water	No					
	1 [243m NE]	2003: Petrol – no impact recorded	No					
There are no records of the following in 500m of the site; IPC or IPPC authorisations, red list discharge consents, list 1 dangerous substances, radioactive substances, water industry referrals, planning hazardous substance consents, COMAH & NIHHS sites, sites determined Contaminated Land under Part 2a.								
Landfill and Other Waste Site	Landfill and Other Waste Sites							
Environment Agency licenced waste sites	2 [480 and 500m NE]	McGregor Railway Services, metal recycling. One surrendered in 2009, once active for between 25000 and 75000 tonnes.	No					
There are no records of the following within 500m of the site; Environment Agency current or historic landfills, BGS non-operational landfills. Local Authority landfills or waste treatment, transfer or disposal sites								

4.3 Radon

The Groundsure report and Indicative Atlas of Radon for England and Wales [6] indicates that the site is not within a Radon Affected Area, as less than 1% of the properties are above the action level. Therefore, no radon protective measures are necessary.

4.4 Mining

There are no records of mining (coal, non-coal or brine) within 50m of the Site based on records from the Coal Authority (Appendix D).

4.5 Natural Hazard

Regulatory data relating to ground stability is summarised in Table 4-2 below. This information is from the Groundsure report, presented in full in Appendix D.

Table 4-2 Potential natural hazards based on BGS Geosure data

Potential Hazard	Identified risk
Shrink swell	Moderate
Landslide	Very Low
Soluble Rocks	Low
Compressible Ground	Moderate
Collapsible Rocks	Very Low
Running Sand	Low

4.6 Unexploded Ordnance

A Preliminary UXO Risk Assessment has been carried out by BuroHappold in accordance with CIRIA C681 [7] and is included in Appendix C. Consideration of the potential for aerial delivered UXO and to the potential mitigation factors, namely: (i) the extent of post-war development; and (ii) the extent of proposed intrusive works. The assessment concluded that the risks associated with UXO are low, therefore no specific precautions are required for below ground works.

5 Previous Site Investigations

5.1 Publically available records

In August 2012, permission was granted to construct a foodstore and petrol filling station by Cherwell District Council on land adjacent to the A41 (Ref. 12/01193/F). Prior to this, in June 2012 Delta-Simons completed a Phase 1 Desk Study. The Desk Study did not identify any potentially contaminative land uses on site, however the adjacent sewage treatment works, railway line and the petrol filling station were identified as potential sources of off-site contamination. The source-pathway-receptor risk assessment concluded that a pollution linkage was unlikely. The report concluded that a ground investigation should be undertaken to provide waste classification data and confirm background [baseline] soil and groundwater chemical concentrations. The Desk Study concluded the site to be low to moderate risk in terms of planning conditions.

No further contaminated land investigations were provided to support the planning permission.

5.2 BuroHappold site investigation

In 2014, BuroHappold commissioned Structural Soils to complete a Site Investigation to provide information on a proposed trunk sewer, access road and ornamental lake. The data was combined with an investigation from 2008. The 2008 works comprised five cable percussion boreholes, a rotary cored borehole and five machine dug trial pits. In 2014, an additional cable percussive borehole and five mechanical trial pits were completed. The exploratory holes extended to a maximum depth of 11.70m below ground level (bgl) in the rotary borehole. The logs are reproduced in Appendix B.

Typically, from ground level to about 1-2m bgl there were superficial deposits. In the east, the Kellaways Clay Member were present up to 4.9m bgl, underlying the superficial deposits. The Kellaways Clay Member thins to the west and was not present in the far west. The Cornbrash Formation was encountered in all locations beneath the Kellaways Clay Member (where present) or the Superficial Deposits where the Kellaways Clay Member is not present. The base of the Cornbrash Formation was only proven in BH2, where the formation extended to 2.25m bgl. The Forest Marl Formation was proven between 2.25m bgl and 9.40m bgl, under the Forest Marl Formation the White Limestone was present to the base of the hole (11.70m bgl).

In 2014, chemical analysis was completed on four soil samples from the exploratory holes from between 0.5 and 1.3m bgl in the superficial deposits, no geoenvironmental interpretation was undertaken. As part of this report, BuroHappold have reassessed this data comparing to LQM Suitable for Use Levels (S4UL). All the samples chemical concentrations are below both the S4UL residential and commercial usage scenario thresholds. No asbestos testing was undertaken.

6 Flood Risk Appraisal

The site's south eastern boundary is adjacent to a watercourse known as the Langford Brook and as a result falls within the flood zone of this watercourse. A number of flood studies have been carried out since the initial planning application for the site in 2007 so the flood characteristics are well understood.

The Environment Agency currently has a flood classification system based on 3 zones as follows

- Zone 3-High risk of flooding with flood return events of less than 1in 100 years
- Zone 2-Medium risk of flooding with flood return events of between 1 in 100 and 1 in 1000 years
- Zone 1-Low risk of flooding with flood return events greater than 1 in 1000 years

The zone boundaries on the Bicester site have been adjusted since 2007 to take account of the changing weather patterns and the projected effects of climate change. The EA guidance was most recently updated in February 2016 and the current EA flood map is shown below.



The dark blue area is zone 3 and light blue zone 2. All other areas are within zone 1. It should be noted that the whilst the EA regularly update the flood maps the boundary between the zones are approximate and tend to be conservative. A flood risk assessment that will be required in support of a revised planning application would identify the zones more accurately.

The plan shows that the south eastern part of the site falls within zones 2 and 3 with the majority of the area being zone 3. The current outline Masterplan for the site has recognised this and no buildings or essential surface infrastructure was planned to be located within zones 2 or 3. The proposed land uses are acceptable for zone 3 i.e. open space and nature conservation area.

Due to the site topography zone 2 is a relatively narrow area and if necessary non critical infrastructure can be located in this area provided that the proposed level are at or below current ground levels.

Development within zone 1 will be permitted and buildings and infrastructure within zone 1 will be at a low risk of flooding. There will be a need to set the building floor levels so that they have a freeboard above the 1 in 100 year flood level. The freeboard will also account for the predicted increase in 1 in 100 year flood level due to climate change. In addition the site will be subject to planning restrictions which will limit the surface water runoff to current 'greenfield' runoff rates. However both of these requirements were met by the current outline planning proposals and should not present any undue constraints to a revised planning application. It should be noted that it is likely that the minimum floor levels will have increased by 200/300 mm from the previous agreed levels due to increased climate change allowances. There is a possibility that the line of the zone 2/zone 1 boundary may have moved and have slightly reduced the area of zone 1. If the new flood risk assessment shows that this is the case the masterplan layout shown in figure 2-2 may require modifying. However this can be achieved by adjusting the landscaped areas whilst maintaining the building floor space and quantum of parking proposed.

This note deals with the risk of fluvial flooding. There was a minor flood event from the public sewerage network that crosses the site and is connected to the sewage treatment works which is located on the other side of the Langford Brook. The flooding from the sewers occurred at the point in the network immediately adjacent to the sewage treatment works. This area is within flood zone 3 and it not proposed to be developed. Therefore in addition to the flood event being an isolated occurrence, should it reoccur it will not impact the proposed development. To the best of our knowledge the public foul sewer located under the access road has not flooded and is not currently overloaded.

In conclusion, whilst part of the site lies within a designated flood zone, the hydrology is understood and the current masterplan has designated land uses that are commensurate with the zone classifications. A revised planning application will need a new flood risk assessment but the constraints posed by the flood risk consideration should be met with standard design solutions.

7 **Preliminary Geoenvironmental Risk Assessment**

7.1 **General Approach**

In the UK, the assessment of risk from contamination follows the source-pathway-receptor approach. If one of these three elements is absent, it is considered that there is no risk of harm. If, however, there is considered to be a linkage between any given source and any given receptor, then a risk-based approach is used to assess the significance or impact of any such linkage.

Risks are defined as the probability of an event occurring combined with the severity of the consequence of that event. Particularly, to assess the risks to site end users posed by any given source, the sensitivity of each receptor is considered. For example, the concentration of contamination acceptable at a site to be developed as a residential property with a garden used to grow vegetables and accessible to young children is set lower than that for a commercial site where soil is exposed only in minor areas of landscaping and the only long-term users of the site are adults. Similarly, a site overlying a Principal Aquifer supplying potable water to a large population will be considered more stringently than a site overlying an impermeable geology with only minor seepages of groundwater.

7.2 Sources, Receptors and Pathways

Potential contamination sources have been identified and are summarised in Table 7-1 below. The 'Contaminants of Concern' in this risk assessment are based primarily on information from the review of historical information, reference to DEFRA R&D Publication CLR 8 'Priority Contaminants for the Assessment of Land' and relevant Industry Profile reports published by the Department of Environment. Site specific pathway-receptor linkages have been identified in Table 7-2 with respect to the sources outlined in Table 7-1 and with respect to the anticipated future uses.

ble 7-1 - Summary of Potential Contamination Sources								
Potential Source	Location	Likely Age	Potential Contaminants of Concern					
Current on site activities (agriculture, evidence of overflowing sewer)	On site	<150 years	Fertilisers and nutrients Faecal matter Metals					
Current on site use (bund and material storage on site)	On site	<5 years	Asbestos* Metals					
Adjacent contaminative uses (petrol filling stations – former pollution incident associated with this)	Off site (adjacent to NE)	<10 years	Hydrocarbons (petrol, diesel, oils)					
Adjacent contaminative uses (sewage treatment works)	Off site (adjacent to SW)	<50 years (>150 years	Fertilisers and nutrients Faecal matter					

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Table 7-1 - Summary of Potential Contamination Source	Table 7-1	- Summary	of Potential	Contamination	Sources
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* No potentially asbestos containing materials observed in the bund during the site visit.

Table 7	7-2 -	Summary	of	Receptors and	Pathways
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Receptor		Pathway			
Human Health	Construction / Maintenance Workers	Direct contact, ingestion, inhalation			
	Future Site Occupants	Direct contact, ingestion, inhalation			
	Site Neighbours	Soil and dust ingestion			
Controlled Waters	Secondary and Principal Aquifers	Migration through granular strata			
	Surface Waters	Surface water run-off and drainage/sewerage network			
Ecology	On site flora and fauna	Root uptake			
Built Environment	Water supply pipes / building fabric	Direct contract			

7.3 Results of Risk Assessment

The details of the Preliminary Risk Assessment are presented in Table 7-3 overleaf and the results discussed in Section 8.1.

Table 7-3 - Preliminary Risk Assessment

Source			Receptor/ Pathway	Risk assessmei	nt (following CIR	RIA C552)	Comment on hazard realisation.								
Origin	Contaminants of concern	Zone affected		Consequence	Probability	Risk									
Current site use (agriculture, overflowing sewer, bund and material storage)	Fertilisers and nutrients Faecal matter Metals Asbestos	On site	Description of source: The site, historica with a petrol forecourt, another petrol f 3.2), assumed to be for a fuel leak to gro the trunk sewer, intersect the site leadi covers). An access road and associated k site investigation for the design of the t report has screened the results against bunded material.	ally and presently forecourt is locat bund (unconfirming to the sewage bund contain the runk sewers, fou S4UL values. No	y, is open agrico ed 100m north ed). A sewage t e treatment wo north of the sit r samples were samples exceed	ultural land. Sin west. The furth reatment works rks. There is ev te, some areas in taken for chem d residential or	ce 2014 the land adjacent to the north h er petrol station appears to have been su is located 200m south east of the site. A idence that the sewers block and possib in the north of the site are also used for st ical analysis. Although no interpretation commercial thresholds. No potentially a								
			Site neighbours Soil and dust ingestion	Medium	Low likelihood	Moderate / Low	Residential properties adjacent to site co site. Limited potential in normal use, with Risk is mainly associated with potentia storage. If this is further quantified/man- be achieved by good construction praction								
			Investigation and construction workers Soil and dust ingestion, dermal contact	Medium	Low likelihood	Moderate / Low	Potential for exposure during investig dependent on construction timescales. St to be used by workers. Mitigation of potential risks can be achie construction practice.								
												Future site users Dermal uptake, soil and dust ingestion, ingestion of contaminated water supplies	Medium	Low likelihood	Moderate / Low
	Degradation [Principal and surface water] Migration via p		Degradation of Water quality [Principal and Secondary Aquifers and surface water] Migration via permeable strata	Mild	Low Likelihood	Low	Secondary Aquifer discontinuous across Aquifer not protected. Made Ground is I be grossly contaminated, however risk f detrimental to the site. Mitigation of potential risks could be ach and implementation of remediation / mit								
			Root uptake Detrimental effects (stunted grown, die back) on plant life	Mild	Unlikely	Very Low	Vegetation on site did not show any adve across majority of site and semi-mature t in any areas of soft landscaping. Mitigation of potential risks can be achi- and implementation of remediation / res								

has been developed as a food superstore subject to voluntary remediation (Section A series of manholes showing the path of oly overflow (wet wipes around manhole storage of building materials. As part of a n was completed in the investigation, this asbestos containing material observed in

ould be impacted from dust generated from hincreased potential during any earthworks.

al of asbestos in bund material / material naged then mitigation of potential risks can ice.

igations/ earthworks. Period of exposure standard Health and Safety precautions likely

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se with significant landscaping. Potential for proposed soil cover.

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s site as thins to west, underlying Principal limited in thickness and does not appear to from development / construction could be

hieved by appropriate investigation / design itigation.

erse effects however limited to short grasses trees around perimeter. Potential for uptake

ieved by appropriate investigation / design storation.

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Source			Receptor/ Pathway	Risk assessme	nt (following CIF	RIA C552)	Comment on hazard realisation.
Origin	Contaminants of concern	Zone affected		Consequence	Probability	Risk	
			Buildings/services - permeation of water supply pipework, degradation of concrete Direct contact/, aggressive attack/ below ground structures	Medium	Unlikely	Low	Potential for direct contact on redevelop supply. Mitigation of potential risks can be achi and implementation of remediation.
Adjacent sewage treatment works and petrol filling stations	Faecal matter Metals	On site	Description of source: Adjacent sites are incident categorised as No Impact. Main works downstream from the site.	possible contam pathway is grou	ination sources ndwater. Groui	. Petrol forecou ndwater flow as	rt appears to be undertaking voluntary re sumed to follow topography to south (alt
	Hydrocarbons		Investigation and construction workers Groundwater ingestion, dermal contact	Mild	Unlikely	Very Low	Potential for exposure during investig dependent on construction timescales. St to be used by workers. Mitigation of potential risks can be achie construction practice.
			Future site users Dermal uptake, groundwater ingestion, inhalation of vapours ingestion of contaminated water supplies	Medium	Unlikely	Low	Proposed future use is for commercial us contaminants to enter on site water degradation of contaminants. Any such dealt with. Mitigation of potential risks can be achi and implementation of remediation / mi

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se with significant landscaping. Potential for r feature or release of gas/vapour from n impact likely to be quickly identified and

ieved by appropriate investigation / design itigation measures including encapsulation.

8 **Conclusions and Recommendations**

8.1 Geoenvironmental risk summary

The following risks have been identified above low and will require further investigation:

Receptor	Source [Pathway]	Resultant Risk
Site neighbours, construction workers	Asbestos, metals, Fertilisers and nutrients	Moderate / Low
and future site users	Faecal matter	
	[dust/inhalation]	

8.2 Flood risk considerations

Part of the site lies within a designated flood zone the hydrology is understood and the current masterplan has designated land uses, which are commensurate with the zone classifications. A revised planning application will need a new flood risk assessment but the constraints posed by the flood risk consideration should be met with standard design solutions.

8.3 Recommendations

The risk is considered suitably low that no exceptional costs associated with ground remediation are likely to be realised for the proposed development, therefore it is unlikely that further investigation is required for outline planning permission.

A site investigation will be required to meet planning conditions. This will need to assess the geoenvironmental risks associated with the construction of the proposed structures. This investigation will be used to confirm and quantify the potential risks to site neighbours and future site users and will inform the need for any mitigation or remediation requirements.

During construction standard practice such as welfare facilities, good housekeeping, contamination watching brief and PPE should be adopted.

Appendix A – Relevant figures



Appendix B - Relevant investigation and BGS borehole logs





EXPLORATORY HOLE LOCATION PLAN

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APPENDIX B

(i)	Key	to Exploratory Hole Logs
	(ii)	Borehole Logs

(iii) Trial Pit Logs and Photographs



KEY TO EXPLORATORY HOLE LOGS - SUMMARY OF ABBREVIATIONS

SAMPLING

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Sample type codes

В = Bulk disturbed sample.

- Small disturbed sample. D =
- DSPT =
- = LB
- Small disturbed sample originating from SPT test. Large bulk disturbed sample (for earthworks testing). Undisturbed driven tube sample Number of blows indicated. % recovery reported. =

Undisturbed sample detail codes

100mm diameter undisturbed sample. $U_{(100)}$ =

IN-SITU TESTING

SPT	=	Standard Penetration Test using split spoon sampler. (SPT _(NR) indicates 'No Sample Recovery').
V	=	Field Vane Test. Peak value (c_u) & Residual value (c_r) , given as shear strength in kPa.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

1. All soil and rock descriptions and legends in general accordance with BS EN ISO 14688-1, 14688-2, 14689-1, and BS5930:1999 including Amendment 2 (2010).
Material types divided by a broken line (- - -) indicates an unclear boundary.
The data on any sheet within the report showing the AGS icon is available in the AGS format.



KEY TO EXPLORATORY HOLE LOGS - SUMMARY OF GRAPHIC SYMBOLS

WATER COLUMN SYMBOLS



First water strike, second water strike etc. Standing water level following first strike, standing water level following second strike etc. Seepage. Standing water level recorded at documented date.

MATERIAL GRAPHIC LEGENDS













Silty







MADE GROUND



Sandy

clayey GRAVEL







INSTRUMENTATION SYMBOLS



Backfill



BOREHOLE LOG

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	72102	6		E	Ind	14.02	2.08	<u> </u>	66.72	E:457708.3 N:221739.5		3 of	4
Drilling Depth	Records	w	Me TCR	chani		og If	Instru entation	Water	D	Description of Strata	educed		Legend
		+	+			(mm)	B		Strong thinly bedded	light grev coarse grained LIMESTONE.	~		
4.80	C								Discontinuities are y horizontal occasional removed by drilling fl (Forest Marble Forn <i>sheet</i>)	very closely spaced undulating rough ly subhorizontal open no infill (possibly lush). mation) <i>(stratum layer from previous</i>	61.52	5.20	
5.40-6.40	Core C		100	0	0				Very stiff dark grey angular fine gravel of (Forest Marble Forma	slightly sandy CLAY with occasional 'limestone and shell fragments. ation)		- (1.10)	
- - -									band of lignite at	. 6.00m depth.	60.42	6.30	
6.50-7.70	Core		33	8	0				Very stiff very light g gravelly CLAY. Gra limestone. (Forest Marble Forma	rey and dark grey slightly sandy slightly avel is angular to subangular fine of ation)	-	-	
-		M									- - -	- (1.05) - - -	
- - -									Strong very thinly be grained LIMESTON undulating rough hor	dded very light grey/off white medium IE. Discontinuities are closely spaced izontal open infilled with slightly sandy	59.37	7.35	
7.70-8.15	Core C		64	64	0				(Forest Marble Forma	ation)	-	-(0.75)	
8.10-8.90	Core		100	0	0				Very stiff dark grey s	lightly sandy SILT.	58.62	8.10	× · × ·
8.30	C								(Forest Marble Forma	ation)	- - - -	(0.80)	× · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
- [8.90-10.20	Core		54	54	0			2 <u>↓</u>	band of sandy cla Very stiff dark blue g \(Forest Marble Formation)	ay between 8.75m and 8.80m depth. grey CLAY. ation)	57.82	8.90 9.00	× · × × · × ×
- L									Description on next s	heet		[<u> </u>
Date	Drilling P	Bo	ess and rehole	Wate Cas	er Obs	Casir	ons 1g	Water	r	General Remarks			
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			ŀ	sices	ster				Thames V	Water Utilities Limited	No		BH2
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	72102	6		E	Ind	14.02	2.08		66.72	E:457708.3 N:221739.5		1 of	4
Drilling	Records	5	Me	chan	ical L	og	tru ation	ter			iced /el		Lagand
Depth	Test	W	TCR	SCR	RQD	If (mm)	Insi menti	Wa	D	escription of Strata	Redu		Legenu
-									Firm dark grey slight	ly sandy slightly gravelly CLAY. Gravel	-		<u>·····</u>
-									Forest Marble For	nation) (stratum layer from previous	57.32	9.40	
-									<i>Sheet)</i> Moderately strong ve	ery thinly bedded very light grey coarse	57.12	9.60	
-									grained LIMESTON	E. Discontinuities are undulating rough	-	-	
-									(White Limestone For	rmation)	56.82	9.90	
-									Weak thinly lamin LIMESTONE. Disco	ated very light grey fine grained ntinuities are extremely closely spaced	56.72	10.00	
-									undulating rough hor clay.	izontal tight infilled with slightly sandy	-	-	
[10.20-11.70	Core		87	80	0				(White Limestone For	rmation)		-	
-									CLAY. Gravel is an	ngular to subangular fine to coarse of	-	-	
10.50	C	Ĩ							limestone. (White Limestone For	rmation)		-	
-									Moderately weak to	moderately strong medium bedded light	-	-	
-									medium spaced und	ulating rough horizontal open to very	-	(1.70)	
-									(White Limestone For	rmation)	-	-	
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	rilling P	Bor	ess and ehole		sing		ng	Wate		General Remarks			
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			Biceste	er		i	Th	ames <mark>W</mark>	/ater Ut	ilities Limited	INO		BH3
Job No			Sta	rt 0	5.02.08	Groun	d Level	1	Local Grid (Co-Ordinates	Sheet		
	72102	6	Enc	d 00	5.02.08		67.86		E:4578	353.9 N:221675.0		l of	1
Sarr Depth	ples and Ir	n-situ Tes Type	sts Blows	Water	mentation			Descript	ion of Stra	a	Reduced Level	Depth (Thick ness)	Legend
				- 33	TC	PSOIL avel is s	: Soft dark subangular to	brown slig subrounde	ghtly sandy d fine to coa	slightly gravelly CLAY. arse of limestone.	67 46	0 40	<u>x 1, x 1, x 1,</u> 1, <u>x 1, x 1,</u>
0.40-0.80) 1	D			Fir CL (Su	m mott AY. aperficia	led light gre al Deposits)	y, orange t	prown and g	reen brown slightly sandy	-	(0.70)	
1.10-1.30 1.20	2	D HP o	u=75/100		Sti	ff dark AY. (grey with or Occasional g	ccasional pa gravel suba	artings of or ngular to su	range brown slightly sandy brounded fine to medium	-66.76 - -	-1.10	
- 1.50-2.00) 3		30		(Sı	iperficia . becon	al Deposits) ning firm bel	ow about 1	.50m		-65 76	-2.10	
2.00-2.10	4 5 5	D SPT	N=8		Fir. slig	m thinl ghtly sai ellaway	y laminated ndy CLAY. s Clay Meml	dark grey ber)	with some	partings of yellow cream		(0.70)	
- 2.80 - 3.00-3.50	6 7	D U	60		Sti bro gyl	ff dark own and psum cr	grey with o d cream CL ystals presen	ccasional s AY. Occas	slightly sand sional medi	y partings of dark orange um to coarse gravel size	- 65.06 - -	2.80 (0.90)	
- 3.50-3.75	9	SPT	N=150*		(K)	ellaway	s Clay Meml	ber) content belo	ow 3.50m.		64.16	3.70	
- 3.50-3.60		D		<u> </u>		ornbrasl	y weak dark h Formation)	grey LIME	ESTONE.		+ <u>64.06</u> ∕ -	<u>∖3.80</u> ∕ -	
3.80-3.80	Boring Pr	SPT _c 1	v=15000*	Observ	<pre>grown and creat present. (Kellaways Clay Member) increase in gravel content below 3.50m. Moderately weak dark grey LIMESTONE. (Combrash Formation) Borehole terminated at 3.80m depth on very strong limestone.</pre>								
Date	Time	Boreho	le Casin	lg (Casing	Water	From	То	Duration (hh:mm)	General	Kema	arks	
06/02/08 06/02/08	11:00 16:00	1.50 3.80	1.50 1.50))	150 150	DRY DRY	3.70	3.80	01:00	 Inspection pit hand dug No groundwater encour Borehole progressed by 3.40-3.50m depth (1.00 1 no. 50mm diameter st depth (response zone 1. 	to 1.2m ntered. chisellin hrs). andpipe 0-3.8m	depth. ng betwe installed lepth).	en to 3.8m
All c Scale	limensions 1:	in metre 50	s N	lethod	Cabl	e Pero	cussion	Drilled By	AL	Logged By TB	Checke By	ed	AGS



Contract	Whitel	ands Fa	arm, O	xfo	d Ro	ad F	FAS,	Client				Boreho	ole	
			Bicest	er				Th	ames V	Vater Ut	ilities Limited	No		BH4
Job No			Sta	art	07.02	2.08	Groun	d Level		Local Grid C	Co-Ordinates	Sheet		
	72102	6	En	nd	07.02	2.08		66.06		E:4580	17.0 N:221590.5	-	1 of	1
Sam Depth	ples and Ir	n-situ Tes Type	sts Blows	Water	Instru nentation				Descrip	otion of Strat	ta	keduced Level	Depth (Thick ness)	Legend
						M/	ADE G	ROUND: S	oft brown	n slightly sa	ndy slightly gravelly clay	65 76	E 0.20	<u>×1/</u> . <u>×1/</u> . · <u>×</u>
0.30-0.60 0.30 0.50	1 1 1A 2A	D ES FS		1 ¹		brid Sof	PSOIL ck and c ft light o	ornbrash lin	ngular to nestone. S n slightly s	subangular ome fossils p sandy slightly	fine to coarse of flint red resent. gravelly CLAY. Gravel is	-	(0.70)	
0.60-0.90	$) \qquad 2^{11}$	B				sub (Su	angular	to subround al Deposits)	led fine to	medium of li	mestone.	65.06	1.00	<u>· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · </u>
1.00 1.30-1.80) 3A) 3	ES U	50			∖ <u>.</u> Fin mo	. becom m, beco ttled sli	ning firm from ming soft v ghtly sandy (m 0.5m de with dept CLAY.	epth. h light bluisl	h grey and orange brown		(0.80)	
						(Ke	ellaway	s Clay Meml	ber)			64.26	1.80	- <u>.</u>
- 1.80-2.25 - 1.80-1.90	5 5 4	SPT D	N=5			Sof bro ver	ft thinly wn slig y weak	/ laminated htly sandy C limestone.	dark gre CLAY wit	y with occa h occasional	sional partings of orange gravel subrounded fine of		(0.70)	
2.50	6					(Ke	ellaway	s Clay Meml		63.56	2.50			
2.50 2.80-3.30) 7	U U	50			Firm thinly laminated dark blue grey CLAY. (Kellaways Clay Member) Very stiff dark bluish grey sandy CLAY with occasional mediu						- - - -	(0.80)	
						<u> </u>						62.76	3.30	
- 3.30-3.40 - 3.40-3.46 - 3.40-3.50) 8 5 9) 10	D SPT _c D	N=1500*	*		Very stiff dark bluish grey sandy CLAY with occasional mediur coarse sand sized deposits of calcium carbonate. (Kellaways Clay Member) Moderately weak light blue grey LIMESTONE. (Combrash Formation)						62.66 62.56	3.40 3.50	
- 3.50-3.52 -	2 11	SPT _c	N=3000*	•		Mc (Co	derately ornbrasł	y weak light Formation)	blue grey	LIMESTON	E.	-		
-						Bo	rehole t	erminated at	3.50m de	pth on very s	trong limestone.	- -		
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Date	Time	Boreho Depth	le Casi Dep	ng th	Casir Diame	ng eter	Water Depth	From	То	Duration (hh:mm)	1 Inspection with and dur	to 1 2m	donth	
07/02/08	11:00 11:20	0.70	0.0	0	150 150)	0.60 0.55	3.40	3.50	01:00	2. Groundwater strike at 0	.6m dept	th.	
07/02/08 07/02/08	12:30 16:00	1.20 3.50	1.2 1.6	0 0	150 150 150))	DRY DRY				 Borehole progressed by 3.40-3.50m depth (1.00 1 no. 50mm diameter st 	chisellir hrs). andpipe	ng betwe	en to 3.5m
											depth (response zone 1.	0-3.5m c	lepth).	
All d	limensions 1:	in metre 50	s l	Meth	od (e Pero	cussion	Drilled By	AL	Logged By TB	Checke By	ed	AGS



Contract	Whitel	ands F	arm, O)xfo	rd Road	I FAS,	Client				Boreho	ole	
			Bicest	ter			Th	ames V	Vater Ut	tilities Limited	NO		BH5
Job No			St	art	08.02.0	8 Groun	d Level		Local Grid (Co-Ordinates	Sheet		
	72102	.6	Er	nd	08.02.0	18	65.28		E:4579)63.2 N:221510.9		1 of	1
Sam	nples and Ir	n-situ Te	sts	iter	ation			Decorin	tion of Stro	<u> </u>	uced	Depth	Legend
Depth	No	Туре	Blows	Wa	Insi ment			Descrip	tion of Sua	ta	Redu	ness)	Legena
-						TOPSOIL Crowal is	: Soft dark	brown sli	ightly sandy	slightly gravelly CLAY.	64.98	- 0.30	<u></u>
- 0.30	1A	ES				pottery an	d shell fragm	nents.			64.78	0.50	<u>4 4</u> <u> </u>
0.50	$1 2\Delta$	D FS			2	Soft mottle	ed light brow	vn and grey	/ slightly san	idy CLAY.	-	-	
	213				Į į	Soft light	green brown	with parti	ngs of light	grey slightly sandy slightly		(0.90)	
- 1.00 1.00	$\begin{vmatrix} 2\\ 3A \end{vmatrix}$	D ES				gravelly C limestone.	LAY. Grave	el is subang	gular to sub	rounded fine to medium of	-		
- 1.40	3	D		′ ♥		(Superficia	al Deposits)				<u>- 63.88</u> -	<u>- 1.40</u> -	
1.50-2.00) 4	U	50			Soft orang occasional	e brown with gravel su	h partings (Ibangular	of light grey	slightly sandy CLAY with ded fine to medium of		(0.70)	
$\frac{1}{2}$ 00.2 1(. 5					imestone.	-1 Danagita)	ioung			-63. <u>18</u>	- 2.10	
2.00-2.10) 5 7	D				Supernera Firm dark	grey with	partings of	f orange bro	wn slightly sandy CLAY.	-	Ę	<u> </u>
2.10-2.55	5 6	SPT	N=7			Occasiona Walloway	l gravel suba	ingular to s	ubrounded f	ine to medium limestone.	F	F	
- 2.50	0					Kellaway	5 Clay Ivienn	ber)				[(1.30)	- <u> </u>
- - 3 00-3 3(n 9	I II										E	
											61.88	3.40	
- 3.30-3.40 - 3.40-3.43	$\begin{array}{c c} 1 & 10 \\ 3 & 11 \end{array}$	SPT _c	N=3000	*		Moderatel	y weak dark	blue grey	LIMESTON	JE.	61.78	3.50	†i i
- 3.40-3.50) 12 13	D SPT	N=3000	*		Cornbrasi Rorehole f	1 Formation) t 3.50m der	oth on very s	strong limestone.	-	F	
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Data	Time	Boreho	le Casi	ing	Casing	Water	Erom		Duration	General	Rema	arks	
Date	Time	Depth	ı Der	oth	Diameter	r Depth	From	10	(hh:mm)	1 Inspection pit hand dug		m depth	
08/02/08	10:15	1.50	1.5	0	150	DRY	3.30	3.50	01:00	2. Groundwater seepage a	ıt 1.40m	depth.	
08/02/08	12:45	3.50	1.5	50	150	DRY				3. Borehole progressed by	/ chisellir	ng betwe	en
				ļ	1					4. 1 no. 50mm diameter st	tandpipe	installed	l from to
				ľ	1					3.5m depth (response z	one 1.0-3	3.5m dep	oth).
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			Bicest	ter				Th	ames V	Water Ut	ilities Limited	No		BH6
Job No			St	art	11.0	2.08	Ground	d Level		Local Grid C	Co-Ordinates	Sheet		
	72102	6	Er	nd	11.0	2.08		64.57		E:4581	04.9 N:221329.9		1 of	1
Sam Depth	ples and Ir	n-situ Tes	sts Blows	Water	Instru tentation				Descrij	ption of Strat	a	educed	Depth (Thick	Legend
-		71				So	oft light	grey mottle	ed light bi	own slightly	sandy CLAY. Rare shell	<u> ≃</u>	-	<u> </u>
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1.20-1.50	3	D				su	bangular	to subround	ded fine to	medium of li	mestone.	63.07	1.50	
1.20-1.70	5	SPT B	N=4				oose light	t brown cla	vev slight	v gravelly SA	AND. Gravel is subangular	-	-	
1.70-2.00	6	D				to	subround	led fine to r	nedium of	limestone.		-	-	
-							oft grey	brown slig	ghtly sand	y slightly g	avelly CLAY. Gravel is	-	(1.50)	- <u>°,</u> ,°
2.30	7	D				su	bangular	to subround	ded fine to	medium of li	mestone.		-	
2.50-3.00	8	U+					uperneta	i Deposits)				-	-	$\dot{-}\dot{\cdot}\dot{\cdot}$
	10	CDT	NO				1.1	CI A	V	1 1	· . 1 1	61.57	- 3.00	· <u>···</u> ·
- 3.00-3.45 - 3.00	9	D	N=9		Firm dark grey CLAY. Occasional gravel sized pockets of grey resent at 3.0m depth. (Kellaways Clay Member)								-	
3.00-3.10	11	D			(Kellaways Clay Member)								-	
- 5.50	12												[(1 80)]	
4 00	13	D				2	becom		Ē	-				
4.00-4.50	14	Ŭ	95		becoming very stiff below 4.0m depth.								-	
4.50-4.60	15	D			H	:						Ę	Ę	
4.60-4.86	16	SPT	N=136*				erv stiff d	lark grev sli	ohtly sand	V CLAY		<u>+ 59.77</u>	- 4.80	<u> </u>
4.90-5.00	18		1 15000			<u>(K</u>	lellaways	Clay Mem	ber)	.,		-\59.57/	5.00/	<u> </u>
5.00-5.02	19	SPIcr	=15000				ery stiff ravel is su	dark grey ubangular to	varying t subround	to light grey led fine of lim	slightly gravelly CLAY.	-	-	
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Dut	T	Borehol	e Casi	ng	Casi	ng	Water			Duration	General	Rema	arks	
Date	ııme	Depth	Dep	oth	Diam	eter	Depth	From	10	(hh:mm)	1. Inspection pit hand dug	to 1.201	n depth	
11/02/08	16:00	5.00	1.9	0	150)	Dry	4.90	5.00	01:00	2. Groundwater strike enc	ountered	at 1.20r	n depth.
											depth (response zone 1.	00m to 1	.50m de	pth) and
											19mm piezometer insta	lled to 4.	50m dep	oth
											(response zone 4.00m to	0 3.00m	aepui).	
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	Bice	ester	Business I	Park				Intern	ational Developments	s Ltd]	BH07
Contract Ref			Start:	27.01	.14	Ground	l Level:		Co-ordinates:		Sheet:		
7	287	724	End:	27.01	.14							1	of 1
Samj	ples a	nd In-si	tu Tests	ater	kfill				Description of Starts			Depth	Material
Depth	No	Туре	Results	Ŵ	Bacl				Description of Strata			(Inick ness)	Legend
0.00-0.20	1	B				Firm	brown slig	ghtly sandy	y CLAY. Sand is fine to coarse.		Г	0.20	
- 0.20-0.80	2	В				Firm	light yell	owish bro	wn slightly sandy gravelly CLA	Y. Gr	avel is	-	- <u>·</u>
-						fine to	o coarse a	ngular argi	llaceous limestone.			-	<u>.</u>
												(1.65)	- <u>-</u> 0
1.20-1.65	3	U(100)	100 blows			b	elow 1.2n	n slightly g	gravelly.			-	- <u>°</u>
		D	95% lecovery									-	<u> </u>
1.65-1.75	4 5	D B				Firm	light brow	n verv san	dy CLAY. Sand is fine to coarse	e.		- 1.85	÷ ÷ ÷
2.00-2.24	6	SPT	N=120*			T 1.1.4	1			.1		2.20	
2.30	7	D	N. 250#			grave	brown w 1 is fine to	coarse ang	gular limestone.	clayey	gravel,	2.50	
- 2.50-2.64	8	SPT	N=250*			Boreł	iole termin	nated at 2.5	50m depth.			-	
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	Boring Pr	ogress and	Water Ob	servations		Chisell	ing / Slow	Progress	Conorol Domortza			
Date	Time	Borehole Depth	Casing Depth	Borehole Diameter (mm)	Water Depth	From	То	Duration (hh:mm)	General Kemarks			
27/01/14	12:00	2.50	2.30	150	Dry	2.20	2.50	2.50 01:00 2. Borehole remained dry. 3. Soakaway test carried out at 2.5m depth. 4. Borehole backfilled with arisings upon completion. 5. SPT hammer EQU185-2013 ($E_r = 64.38\%$) used. All dimensions in metres Scale: 1:50				
Method Used:	Cable r	ercussio	n Plan	t l: Ds	ando 200	0	Drilled By:	MR	Logged By: WHunter By:			



Contract	White	lands	Farm, C	Dxfor	d Road	FAS,	Client				Trialpit	;	
			Bices	ster			Thames	Water Uti	lities Limite	d	No		TP1
Job No			I	Date		Grou	nd Level	Local Grid Co	o-Ordinates		Sheet		
	72102	26		12	2.02.08	3	66.22	E:4577	90.5 N:2217	07.8	-	1 of	1
Sai	nples ar	nd In-sit	tu Tests		er						ced el	Depth	
Depth	No	Type	Resu	lts	Wat		Desc	ription of Strata			tedu Lev	(Thick ness)	Legend
0.00-0.30	1	B			М	ADE GI	ROUND: Soft dark	brown slightly sa	ndy slightly grave	lly clay	<u> </u>		
-					T()PSOIL medium	with occasional cob	bles. Gravel is an brick Cobbles	ngular to subround	led fine	[- (0.50)	
-					0	ganic m	atter present.		er innertene up te	0011111	-	(0.50)	
F											65.72	0.50	
0.50-0.70	2	В			Fi	m dark	orange dark sligh	tly sandy CLAY	with some cob	bles of		_	
0.70-0.85	3	B				uperficia	al Deposits)	Γ.		[65.52	0.70	·
0.70-0.85					Fi	m light	yellow/orange brov	vn slightly sandy	slightly gravelly	CLAY	65.37	0.85	
- 0.85-1.00	4				lir	iestone.	Cobbles up to 110m	m diameter of bio	oclastic limestone.		Ĺ	-	
-						uperficia oderatel	al Deposits) v weak to moderate	ly strong light ve	llow grey coarse	orained	-	-	
					bi	clastic	LIMESTONE, mo	derately weather	red. Occasional s	tronger	-	-	
-					di	re ston	ities very closely s	a mass, up to paced subhorizo	ntal 0-5° stepped	rough	[
-					op	en 0-2r	nm infilled with s	tiff sandy clay.	Joints medium	spaced	ŀ	-	
-					(C	ornbrasł	n Formation)		a while sufficiency a	oluy.	-	-(1.55)	
-											<u> </u>		
-											-	-	
2.00-2.20	5	D									-	-	
											L	-	
-											[[
-					T	ial nit te	rminated on very stro	ong limestone at 2	2 40m depth		63.82	2.40	
-						ui più te					F	-	
-											F	-	
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Plan (Not to	Scale)	1	L					General L	amarlza		L	L	I
	◄	— 3.60	0						Cillarks				
	▲				1. No gi 2. Stable	oundwa	ter encountered.						
0.9(3. 19m	n diamet	er disused metal pipe	e encountered at (0.20m depth (redu	ndant wa	ter pipe	?). Trial	pit
	•				reloca 4. Slow	ted 1.50	0m east. below 1 00m depth	- excavator gener	rally 'rinning' un li	mestone	along di	scontinu	ties.
	No I	Bearing	Taken		510 W	r. 9. 699	contraction action	Situaturoi Boilo					
All di	mension	s in me	tres	Metho	od			Logged		Checke	d		
Scale	1	:25			360	^o Trac	ked Excavator	By	ТВ	By			AGS



Contract	White	lands	Farm, Oxfo	rd Ro	oad F	FAS,	Client				Trialpit	į	
			Bicester				Thames	Water Util	lities Limite	ed	No		TP2
Job No			Date			Groun	d Level	Local Grid Co	o-Ordinates		Sheet		
	72102	26	1	2.02	.08		67.37	E:45792	29.0 N:2216	533.9		1 of	1
Sa	mples ar	nd In-si	tu Tests	er							ced el	Depth	
Depth	No	Type	Results	Wat			Descr	iption of Strata			tedu Lev	(Thick ness)	Legend
0.00-0.30	1	B			TOF	SOIL:	Soft dark brown	slightly sandy s	slightly gravelly	CLAY.	<u> </u>		<u>x 1/2</u> . <u>x 1/2</u> .
					Grav	vel is su	ibrounded to rounded	I fine to medium	of limestone.				1, <u>1, </u> <u>1</u>
-											-	(0.55)	<u>\\</u> . <u>\\</u> .
-											-	-	
0.50-0.70	2	В			Stiff	forang	e brown slightly sa	ndv slightlv gr	welly CLAY (iravel is	<u>- 66.82</u>	0.55	
0.70		v	100/110/120		subr	ounded	to rounded fine to n	iedium of limesto	one.	Jiuvei 15		-	<u> </u>
0.70	3		$c_u = 100/110/120$		<u>(Sup</u> Stiff	f mottle	Deposits) ed light blue grery at	d orange brown	slightly gravelly	CLAY	66.57	0.80	<u> </u>
_					Grav	vel is ar	ngular to subrounded	fine to medium	of limestone.	02.111	66.37	1.00	
1.00		V	$c_u = 116/140/120$		∖ <u>(Sup</u> Stiff	f light	blue grev with free	uent partings o	f orange brown	slightly	-	-	
1 20-1 40	4	П			sand	ly ČLA	Y with frequent coar	se sand size calc	cium carbonate d	eposits.	-	-	<u> </u>
1.20 1.10					(Suf	berneta	(Deposits)				-	(0.70)	
											[-	
-											65.67	1 70	
1.70-2.00	5	D			Stiff	fmottle	d blue grey and oran	ge brown slightly	y sandy CLAY.		65.67	1.70	
-					(Kel	llaways	Clay Member)		, 5		_	-	· · · · ·
	6										_	-	
2.00-2.20	0										-	(1.00)	· · · ·
-						becom	ing blocky from 2.2r	n depth.				[(1.00)	
-											[[
-											-	-	
-											64.67	2.70	<u> </u>
2.70-2.90	7	D			Stiff	f mottle	d blue grey, orange l	brown and cream	slightly gravelly	CLAY.	-	-(0.30)	<u> </u>
-					(Kel	llaways	Clay Member)		of fiffestolie.		61.27	2.00	
3.00-3.10	8	D			Stiff	fblocky	dark blue grey CLA	Y.			04.37	5.00	
					(Kel	llaways	Clay Member)				_	-	
3 30 3 50	0										-	-	
5.50-5.50											-	(1.00)	
2 70 2 80	10										-	-	
3.70-3.80	10										-	-	
											63.37	4.00	
-					Tria	l pit ter	minated at 4.00m de	pth (excavator's	maximum reach)).	-	-	
-											-	-	
-											-	-	
	<u> </u>							0 1 0	1				
Plan (Not to	o Scale)	_ 36	0					General R	Remarks				
	<u>،</u>	5.0		1. N	o grou	undwat	er encountered.						
06.0				2. S 3. P	table, it step	no shor ped at 1	ing required.	2.0m wide.					
	♥ └				P	1		•					
	No I	Rearing	Taken										
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Scale	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	:25		.ou	360°	Track	ked Excavator	By	ТВ	By	u		AGS



Contract	White	lands	Farm, (Oxfor	d Ro	oad F	TAS,	Client				Trialpit	t	
			Bices	ster				Tham	es	Water Utilities Limit	ed	No		TP3
Job No			Ι	Date			Groun	d Level		Local Grid Co-Ordinates		Sheet		
	72102	26		1	2.02	.08		65.81		E:457988.9 N:221	547.9	-	1 of	1
Sa	mples ar	nd In-si	itu Tests		er			_				ced	Depth	T 1
Depth	No	Type	Resu	lts	Wat			De	escri	iption of Strata		tedu Lev	(Thick ness)	Legend
0.00-0.30	1	B			ŕ	TOF	SOIL:	Soft dark brown	slig	htly sandy CLAY with occasion	al gravel.	<u>~</u>	1000)	<u>×1,</u>
t						Grav	vel is su	ubangular to subi	roun	ided fine to coarse of limestone	. Organic	Ē.	(0.30)	11. 11. 11
						mau	ter pres	ent.				65.51	0.30	<u>. 16. 16. 1</u>
0.30-0.60	2	В				Firm Grav	1 light vel is su	orange brown sl ibrounded to rour	lıght nded	ly sandy CLAY with occasion fine to medium of limestone.	al gravel.	-	(0.30)	
-						(Sup	perficial	l Deposits)				65.21	0.60	<u> </u>
-						Stiff	light b	lue grey with free	quer	nt partings of light brown CLAY		00.21	0.00	
0.70-1.00	3	В				(Sup	perficial	l Deposits)				[_	<u> </u>
0.80			$c_u = 116/11$	10/120								-	(0.60)	
-												-	-	
-												64.61	1.20	
1.20-1.40	4	В			N	Stiff	ilight t	olue grey CLAY	with	h frequent pockets of light orar	ge brown	_	_	
-						subr	ounded	fine to medium	of li	mestone.	igular to	-	-	[- <u></u>
-						(Sup	perficial	l Deposits)				-	(0.70)	
-												-	-	
_													-	<u> </u>
1 00 2 10	6											<u>63.91</u>	<u>1.90</u>	
- 1.90-2.10	5	В				depo	osits of	calcium carbonat	san ite.	ay CLAY with frequent coarse	sand size	-	-	
-						(Kel	laways	Clay Member)				-	-	
												Ē.	[
_												_	-(1.10)	
2 50 2 70	6						aalaiun	a arbanata dana	aita	haaaming agaagianal from 2.5n	danth	-	-	
2.30-2.70	0						calciun	ii carbonate depos	ISILS	becoming occasional from 2.51	i depui.	-	-	
-												-	-	
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3 00 3 30	7					Stiff	block	dark grav CLA	v			62.81	3.00	
5.00-5.50	/					(Kel	llaways	Clay Member)	1.			-	-	
													(0.60)	<u> </u>
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3 50 3 60	Q	P					fraqua	at shalls and shall	11 fro	aments of fine to coarse aravel	size from	(2.21	2.00	
5.50-5.00	0	Б				∖3.5n	n depth		11 11 a	gments of fine to coarse graver		62.21	3.60	
						Terr	ninated	at 3.60m depth of	on v	ery strong planar obstruction (li	nestone).		-	
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-												-	-	
Plan (Not t	o Scale)									C 1 D 1				
		- 38	30 — -							General Kemarks				
	▲	5.0			1. S	eepag	e at 1.3	m depth.						
					2. S 3. P	it step	no snor ped at 1	ing required.	ally 2	2.1m wide.				
	♥ └					P			., -					
	۱ ⊺- ۲	Doomin	Talsar											
	INO I	Searing	3 raken											
All di	imension 1	s in me :25	etres	Metho	od a	360° '	Track	ed Excavator	r	Logged By TR	Checke By	d		AGS
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Contract Whitelands Farm, Oxford Road FAS,								Client					Trialpit			
			Bic	ester				Thames Water Utilities Limited						TP4		
Job No		• <		Date	4.0.0		Groun	d Level		Local Grid Co-Ordinate	s	Sheet	1 .	1		
	7210	26			1.02	.08		64.50		E:457989.8 N:	221457.9		l of	1		
Sa Donth	amples a	nd In-si	itu Tests	1,	/ater			Des	scrip	otion of Strata		duced	Depth (Thick	Legend		
	1		Res	ults	8	TOD		Soft dort brow		ightly, gondy, glightly, gr	avally CLAV	Re	ness)	N 1/ N 1/.		
- 0.00-0.30 - -	1					Grave	el is s ent sh	subangular to sub ell fragments.	roun	ded fine to medium of	limestone with	-	(0.40)	<u>1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1/ 1</u>		
0 40-0 70	2					Stiff r	mottle	d light grev and h	row	n slightly sandy slightly o	ravelly CLAV	64.10	0.40	17. x 17. x.		
- 0.60			c.=108	/80/140		Grave	el is s	subangular to sub ell fragments.	rour	ided fine to medium of	limestone and	63.80	(0.30)			
0.70-0.90	3	D	<b>u</b> 100	00/110		<u>(Supe</u> Soft o	orango	l Deposits) e brown sandy sli	ightl	v gravelly CLAY. Grave	el is angular to	05.80	(0.20)			
-						subroi ash.	unded	I fine to coarse o	of lin	nestone. Fine to medium	size gravel of	63.50	1.00	• • •		
1.00-1.20	4	DV	c = 100/	110/110		Stiff 1	light l	blue grev CLAY	with	lenses of orange brown	slightly sandy	-	-			
-				110/110		CLAY (Kells	Y.	Clay Member)			- 8 - 9 9	-	-			
-						(Kella	aways	Clay Melliber)								
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1.80-2.00	5	В										-	-			
												Ĺ	(2.00)			
												-	-			
												-	-			
2 30-2 50	6	П				h	ecom	ing darker blue gr	ev fi	rom 2 3m denth		-	-	<u> </u>		
2.30-2.30	0					0	ecom	ing darker blue gr	cy n	oni 2.5m depui.		-	-			
												-	-	[		
												-	-			
2.70-2.90	7	D												[		
												-	-			
-						Trial	pit ter	rminated on very	stroi	ng planar obstruction thro	bughout the pit	61.50	3.00			
						at 3.0	0m de	epth (limestone).	50101		agnoat the pre	-	-			
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Plan (Not	to Scale)								(	General Remar	ks					
	▲ □	— 3.5	50 — <b>•</b>	► 1	1. S	eepage	at 1.0	m depth.								
0.90					2. Ir 3. P	istability it steppe	y betv ed at ∶	veen G.L. and 2.0 1.0m depth, initial	m de lly 2.	epth. 0m wide.						
	No l	Bearing	g Taken													
All d	imensior	ns in me	etres	Meth	od					Logged	Checke	d				
Scale		:23				560° T	rack	ked Excavator	•	Dy IB	БУ					



Contract Whitelands Farm, Oxford Road FA						ad FAS, Client						Trialpit			
			Bice	ster				Thames	Water I	U <b>tilities Lim</b> i	ited	No		TP5	
Job No			I	Date			Groun	d Level	Local Gri	d Co-Ordinates		Sheet			
	7210	26		1	1.02	.08		64.43	E:45	8025.1 N:22	1409.2	-	<b>1</b> of	1	
Sa	amples a	nd In-si	tu Tests		er			_				ced	Depth	T 1	
Depth	No	Type	Resu	lts	Wat		Description of Strata					tedu Lev	(Thick ness)	Legend	
0.00-0.40	1	D				TOF	PSOIL:	Soft dark brown	slightly san	dy slightly gravel	ly CLAY.	<u> </u>		<u>x 1/2</u>	
						Grav	vel is su	ubrounded to rounde	d fine to mee	dium of weak limes	stone.		(0.40)	1/ <u>x1,</u> <u>x1</u>	
-												(1.02		<u> \ 1</u> . <u>\ 1</u> .	
0.40-0.70	2	D				Firm	n light g	grey brown with son	e partings o	f orange brown slig	ghtly sandy	64.03	0.40	-0	
0.50		V	$c_u = 110$	/140		sligh	ntly gra	velly CLAY. Grave	is subround	ed to rounded fine	to medium		-		
-						(Sup	perficia	l Deposits)				-	(0.60)	<u>· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · </u>	
-												-	-	· _ · · · ·	
-												63.43	1.00	- <u>·</u> ···	
1.00-1.20	3	В			[	Soft	t light	grey brown sand	y slightly	gravelly CLAY.	Gravel is	-	-	· <u>·</u> ····	
1 20-1 40	4	B				Suba ∖(Sut	perficia	l Deposits)		intestone.	/	63.23	1.20	$\overline{}$	
1.20 1.10						Soft	t light g	grey slightly sandy	gravelly CL	AY. Gravel is sub	pangular to	-	-		
						(Sup	perficia	l Deposits)					(0.60)	<u></u>	
-												-	-	<u> </u>	
-												62.63	1.80	<u>·····</u>	
1.80-2.00	5	D				Stiff	f dark g	grey CLAY.					1.00		
-2.00						(Ke	llaways	Clay Member)				-	_		
2.00	6	V V	c_=92/	110								-	-		
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-												-	(1.80)		
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-							hecom	ing blocky from 3.0	n denth			-	-		
-							occom	ing blocky nom 5.0	ii depui.			-	-		
3.20-3.50	7	D											-	<u> </u>	
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3.50-3.60	8	D										60.83	3.60		
						Tria	l pit te	erminated at 3.60m	depth on ve	ery strong planar	obstruction	00.05	5.00		
-						(lim	estone)	).				-	-		
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Plan (Not 1	to Scale)								Genera	l Remarks					
	-	— 3.7	0		1.6	round	lwater s	seenage from betwee	n 1 0-1 4m	denth					
0					2. Sc	ome ii	nstabilit	ty between 0.5m and	2.0m depth.						
0.0															
	Nol	Bearing	Taken												
All d	imension	is in me	tres	Meth	od				Logged		Checke	d			
Scale 1:25					3	860°	Track	ked Excavator	By	TB	By			AGS	

### GROUND INVESTIGATION FOR WHITELANDS FARM, OXFORD ROAD FAS BICESTER

	PHOTOGRAPHS OF TRIAL PIT 1
TP1	G.L – 2.40m
TP1	G.L - 1.20 m

#### GROUND INVESTIGATION FOR WHITELANDS FARM, OXFORD ROAD FAS BICESTER



### GROUND INVESTIGATION FOR WHITELANDS FARM, OXFORD ROAD FAS BICESTER

	PHOTOGRAPHS OF TRIAL PIT 2
TP2	G.L – 3.00 m
TP2	G.L – 1.70 m

### GROUND INVESTIGATION FOR WHITELANDS FARM, OXFORD ROAD FAS BICESTER



### GROUND INVESTIGATION FOR WHITELANDS FARM, OXFORD ROAD FAS BICESTER

	PHOTOGRAPHS OF TRIAL PIT 3
TP3	G.L – 3.00 m
TP3	G.L – 1.20 m

### GROUND INVESTIGATION FOR WHITELANDS FARM, OXFORD ROAD FAS BICESTER

	PHOTOGRAPHS OF TRIAL PIT 3
TP3	1.60 – 3.60 m
TP3	SPOIL
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### GROUND INVESTIGATION FOR WHITELANDS FARM, OXFORD ROAD FAS BICESTER

	PHOTOGRAPHS OF TRIAL PIT 4	
TP4	G.L – 3.00 m	
TP4	G.L – 1.20 m	

### GROUND INVESTIGATION FOR WHITELANDS FARM, OXFORD ROAD FAS BICESTER

	PHOTOGRAPHS OF TRIAL PIT 4
TP4	G.L – 1.20 m
TP4	SPOIL
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### GROUND INVESTIGATION FOR WHITELANDS FARM, OXFORD ROAD FAS BICESTER

	PHOTOGRAPHS OF TRIAL PIT 5
TP5	G.L – 3.00 m
TP5	G.L – 1.00 m

### GROUND INVESTIGATION FOR WHITELANDS FARM, OXFORD ROAD FAS BICESTER

	PHOTOGRAPHS OF TRIAL PIT 5
TP5	1.00 – 3.60 m
TP5	SPOIL
	BICESTER. FAS Client: THARES Job No:



Contract: Bicostor Business Park								Client:	Lo	ndon and	d Metro	politan monte L	Trial F	it:	трас
Contract Ref	BIC	ester	DUSII	Start	27 0	1 1/	Groun	d Level	nteri	Co-ordinate		ments L	Sheet:		IPUO
7	'78'	774		End.	27.0	1.14	Groun			Co-ordinad			blicet.	1	of <b>7</b>
Same		nd In sit	ta Tasta	Linu.										Donth	Material
Depth	No	Туре	Res	ults	Wate	Backfi				Description	of Strata			(Thick ness)	Graphic Legend
0.20	1	D					POS sligh argill \(TOF Firm	SIBLE MAD tly sandy CI aceous limes SOIL) light yellow	DE GRO LAY. S stone.	OUND: Gras Sand is fine.	s over firm Gravel is andy gravel	brown slight fine to coar	ly gravelly se angular 	- 0.25	
0.50 0.60	2 3	D LB					to co limes	arse. Grave tone.	el is fin	e to coarse a	ngular to s	ub angular a	rgillaceous	(0.85)	
1.00	4	D					Light of ar	t greyish yel gillaceous li	lowish	brown angul e with some	ar COBBL	ES with som crial of grav	e boulders elly sandy	1.10	
1.50 1.50	5 6	D B					CLA Firm Sand limes Trial	Y. Boulders to stiff blue is fine to c tone. pit terminate	are up ish grey coarse.	to 300mm. mottled bro Gravel is a	wn slightly ngular fine	gravelly san to coarse a	dy CLAY. rgillaceous	1.50	
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Plan (Not to	Scale	)								General	Remar	ks			
•── 1.20 ──► 09. ↓						<ol> <li>Groundwater seepage at 0.5m caused instability from 1.1m-1.3m depth.</li> <li>Trial p         <ul> <li>it backfilled on completion.</li> <li>No hand vane tests undertaken due to high gravel content of clay soils.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>									
				-1			All d	imensions in	metres	4	Scale:		1:25		
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- 0.40	)		V	c _u =9	2/84									- -(0.75)		
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	2.00	5	D												(0.90)	
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							<ol> <li>Trial Pit position CAT scanned prior to excavation.</li> <li>No groundwater encountered.</li> <li>Trial Pit stable during excavation.</li> <li>Trial Pit backfilled with arisings on completion.</li> </ol>									
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### **Appendix C – Preliminary UXO risk assessment**

This Preliminary UXO Risk Assessment has been carried out by BuroHappold in accordance with CIRIA C681. The purpose of the preliminary risk assessment is a qualitative screening exercise to assess the likelihood of finding UXO at the site. This can then be used to make an informed decision if further UXO specific risk management is required.

The assessment is based on data obtained from a desktop review of information, including site location, bombing records, historical uses, historical development and proposed development.

Item	Comments	Score		
Site Setting	Site is located south of Bicester, during WWII rural	1		
		(Table 8-1Row A)		
Site description and	Agricultural land, however Bicester Airfield located 3km north east	4		
historical land usage		(Table 8-1Row B)		
Record of bombing	Bicester was bombed, but low frequency of bombing.	4		
		(Table 8-1Row C)		
Level of post war	No development	0		
development		(Table 8-2 Row D)		
Level of proposed intrusive	About 50% of site to be developed, including landscaping and foundations,	-1		
works	not car park	(Table 8-2 Row E)		
Assessed Risk	Low	8		
		(Sum of the above)		
Recommendations	The assessment found risk associated with UXO to be low, no further assessme required.	ent works are therefore		
Attachments	Table 8-1 - potential aerial delivered UXO hazards			
	Table 8-2 - mitigation factors			
	Table 8-3 - Final score summary			
	Attachment 1 – Bicester bombing record			
	Attachment 2 - Pre- WWII Historical Map			
	Attachment 3 – Post – WWII Historical Maps			
	Attachment 4 – Proposed Development			

Data Item	Increasing Potential for aerial delivered UXO Hazards										
	1	2	4	8							
A - Site Setting	Rural	Small towns	Cities								
			Large Towns								
B - Site description and historical land usage	Greenfield site only Agricultural land only	Residential only Within 10 mile radius of site of previous military use Within 5 mile radius of wartime ¹ for following: Railway marshalling yard Power station Gas works Port	Within 5 mile radius of site of previous military use Within 1 mile radius of wartime ¹ for following: Railway marshalling yard Power station Gas works Port Industrial centre	Within 1 mile radius of site of previous military use Former wartime ¹ : Railway marshalling yard Power station Gas works Port Industrial centre							
C – Record of bombing	No history of WWII bombing	Within 10 mile radius of area of known WWII bombing	Within 5 mile radius of area of known WWII bombing	Area of known WWII bombing							

#### Table 8-1 Scoring process for indicators of potential aerial delivered UXO hazards

¹Wartime refers to the site being in use at the time of WWI and WWII when its significance may have caused it to be the target of an enemy attack.

#### Table 8-2 Scoring process for considering mitigation factors

Data Item	Decreasing Potential for aerial delivered UXO Hazards										
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D - Level of post war development	Whole site redevelopment (100% of the site)	Significant post war development (>80% of the site)	Moderate level of post war development (<80% and ≥45% of the site)	Some post war development $(<45\%)$ and $\ge 10\%$ of the site)	Minimal post war development (<10% of the site)						
E - Level of proposed intrusive works in areas not subject to post war development ¹	Very Small (<5%)	Small (<10%)	Some (<45% and ≥10%)	Moderate (<80% and ≥45%)	Significant (>80%)						

¹Only if the level of post-war development is known and can be quantified in terms of site area and an approximation of depth should a mitigation factor be applied.



#### Table 8-3 Final score is based on the sum of rows A, B, C, D and E in Table 8-1and Table 8-2

This risk assessment methodology is intended as a generic tool. A small number of sites with unusual site specific conditions may require additional consideration of the hazard scoring.



Attachment 1. Local bombing record



#### Attachment 2. Pre-WWII Historical Map (1919)



#### Attachment 3. Post-WWII Historical Map (1950)



#### Attachment 4. Proposed Development Plan

### **Appendix D – GroundSure**



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## **Overview of Findings**

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Section 1: Historical Industrial Sites	On-site	0-50	51-250	251-500
1.1 Potentially Contaminative Uses identified from 1:10,000 scale mapping	2	2	23	54
1.2 Additional Information – Historical Tank Database	0	0	28	41
1.3 Additional Information – Historical Energy Features Database	0	0	4	3
1.4 Additional Information – Historical Petrol and Fuel Site Database	0	0	0	0
1.5 Additional Information – Historical Garage and Motor Vehicle Repair Database	0	0	0	0
1.6 Potentially Infilled Land	0	1	21	18
Section 2: Environmental Permits, Incidents and Registers	On-site	0-50m	51-250	251-500
2.1 Industrial Sites Holding Environmental Permits and/or Authorisations				
2.1.1 Records of historic IPC Authorisations	0	0	0	0
2.1.2 Records of Part A(1) and IPPC Authorised Activities	0	0	0	0
2.1.3 Records of Red List Discharge Consents	0	0	0	0
2.1.4 Records of List 1 Dangerous Substances Inventory sites	0	0	0	0
2.1.5 Records of List 2 Dangerous Substances Inventory sites	0	0	4	0
2.1.6 Records of Part A(2) and Part B Activities and Enforcements	0	0	2	0
2.1.7 Records of Category 3 or 4 Radioactive Substances Authorisations	0	0	0	0
2.1.8 Records of Licensed Discharge Consents	0	0	11	4
2.1.9 Records of Water Industry Referrals	0	0	0	0
2.1.10 Records of Planning Hazardous Substance Consents and Enforcements within 500m of the study site	0	0	0	0
2.2 Records of COMAH and NIHHS sites	0	0	0	0
2.3 Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Recorded Pollution Incidents				
2.3.1 National Incidents Recording System, List 2	0	4	2	0
2.3.2 National Incidents Recording System, List 1	0	0	0	0
2.4 Sites Determined as Contaminated Land under Part 2A EPA 1990	0	0	0	0



Section 3: Landfill and Other Waste Sites	On-site	0-50m	51-250	251-500	501-1000	1000- 1500
3.1 Landfill Sites						
3.1.1 Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Registered Landfill Sites	0	0	0	0	0	Not searched
3.1.2 Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Historic Landfill Sites	0	0	0	0	1	0
3.1.3 BGS/DoE Landfill Site Survey	0	0	0	0	0	0
3.1.4 Records of Landfills in Local Authority and Historical Mapping Records	0	0	0	0	0	0
3.2 Landfill and Other Waste Sites Findings						
3.2.1 Operational and Non-Operational Waste Treatment, Transfer and Disposal Sites	0	0	0	0	Not searched	Not searched
3.2.2 Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Licensed Waste Sites	0	0	0	2	0	0
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Section 4: Current Land Use	Un-site	e	0-50m	51-25	0 2	51-500
4.1 Current Industrial Sites Data	0		1	8	No	ot searched
4.2 Records of Petrol and Fuel Sites	0		0	2		0
4.3 National Grid Underground Electricity Cables	0		0	0		0
4.4 National Grid Gas Transmission Pipelines	0		0	0	1	0
Section 5: Geology						
5.1 Are there any records of Artificial Ground and Made Ground present beneath the study site?			١	٩٥		
5.2 Are there any records of Superficial Ground and Drift Geology present beneath the study site?			Y	'es		
5.3 For records of Bedrock and Solid Geology beneath the study site see the detailed findings section.						
Section 6: Hydrogeology and Hydrology			0-5	00m		
6.1 Are there any records of Strata Classification in the Superficial Geology within 500m of the study site?			Y	′es		
6.2 Are there any records of Strata Classification in the Bedrock Geology within 500m of the study site?			Y	'es		
	On-site	0-50m	51-250	251-500	501-1000	1000- 2000
6.3 Groundwater Abstraction Licences (within 2000m of the study site)	0	0	1	0	3	5
6.4 Surface Water Abstraction Licences (within 2000m of the study site)	0	0	0	0	0	1
6.5 Potable Water Abstraction Licences (within 2000m of the study site)	0	0	0	0	1	0
6.6 Source Protection Zones (within 500m of the study site)	0	0	0	0	Not searched	Not searched
6.7 Source Protection Zones within Confined Aquifer	0	0	0	0	Not searched	Not searched
6.8 Groundwater Vulnerability and Soil Leaching Potential (within 500m of the study site)	1	0	0	1	Not searched	Not searched



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Section 6: Hydrogeology and Hydrology			0-5	00m		
	On-site	0-50m	51-250	251-500	501-1000	1000- 1500
6.9 Is there any Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales information on river quality within 1500m of the study site?	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
6.10 Detailed River Network entries within 500m of the site	1	2	11	23	Not searched	Not searched
6.11 Surface water features within 250m of the study site	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not searched	Not searched	Not searched
Section 7: Flooding						
7.1 Are there any Enviroment Agency Zone 2 floodplains within 250m of the study site?			Y	′es		
7.2 Are there any Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Zone 3 floodplains within 250m of the study site			Y	′es		
7.3 What is the Risk of flooding from Rivers and the Sea (RoFRaS) rating for the study site?	5) Medium					
7.4 Are there any Flood Defences within 250m of the study site?			١	No		
7.5 Are there any areas benefiting from Flood Defences within 250m of the study site?			1	No		
7.6 Are there any areas used for Flood Storage within 250m of the study site?			٦	No		
7.7 What is the maximum BGS Groundwater Flooding susceptibility within 50m of the study site?			Potential	at Surface		
7.8 What is the BGS confidence rating for the Groundwater Flooding susceptibility areas?			Н	igh		
Section 8: Designated Environmentally Sensitive Sites	On-site	0-50m	51-250	251-500	501-1000	1000- 2000
8.1 Records of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	0	0	0	0	0	0
8.2 Records of National Nature Reserves (NNR)	0	0	0	0	0	0
8.3 Records of Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)	0	0	0	0	0	0
8.4 Records of Special Protection Areas (SPA)	0	0	0	0	0	0
8.5 Records of Ramsar sites	0	0	0	0	0	0

8.6 Records of Ancient Woodlands

8.8 Records of World Heritage Sites

8.7 Records of Local Nature Reserves (LNR)

8.9 Records of Environmentally Sensitive Areas



Section 8: Designated Environmentally Sensitive Sites	On-site	0-50m	51-250	251-500	501-1000	1000- 2000
8.10 Records of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)	0	0	0	0	0	0
8.11 Records of National Parks	0	0	0	0	0	0
8.12 Records of Nitrate Sensitive Areas	0	0	0	0	0	0
8.13 Records of Nitrate Vulnerable Zones	1	0	1	0	0	2
8.14 Records of Green Belt land	0	0	0	0	0	0

### Section 9: Natural Hazards

9.1 What is the maximum risk of natural ground subsidence?	Moderate
9.1.1 What is the maximum Shrink-Swell hazard rating identified on the study site?	Moderate
9.1.2 What is the maximum Landslides hazard rating identified on the study site?	Very Low
9.1.3 What is the maximum Soluble Rocks hazard rating identified on the study site?	Low
9.1.4 What is the maximum Compressible Ground hazard rating identified on the study site?	Moderate
9.1.5 What is the maximum Collapsible Rocks hazard rating identified on the study site?	Very Low
9.1.6 What is the maximum Running Sand hazard rating identified on the study site?	Low
9.2 Radon	
9.2.1 Is the property in a Radon Affected Area as defined by the Health Protection Agency (HPA) and if so what percentage of homes are above the Action Level?	The property is not in a Radon Affected Area, as less than 1% of properties are above the Action Level.
9.2.2 Is the property in an area where Radon Protection are required for new properties or extensions to existing ones as described in publication BR211 by the Building Research Establishment?	No radon protective measures are necessary.
Section 10: Mining	
10.1 Are there any coal mining areas within 75m of the study site?	No

10.3 Are there any brine affected areas within 75m of the study site?

10.2 Are there any Non-Coal Mining areas within 50m of the study

site boundary?

No

No



### Using this report

The following report is designed by Environmental Consultants for Environmental Professionals bringing together the most up-to-date market leading environmental data. This report is provided under and subject to the Terms & Conditions agreed between Groundsure and the Client. The document contains the following sections:

#### 1. Historical Industrial Sites

Provides information on past land uses that may pose a risk to the study site in terms of potential contamination from activities or processes. Potentially Infilled Land features are also included. This search is conducted using radii of up to 500m.

#### 2. Environmental Permits, Incidents and Registers

Provides information on Regulated Industrial Activities and Pollution Incidents as recorded by Regulatory Authorities, and sites determined as Contaminated Land. This search is conducted using radii up to 500m.

#### 3. Landfills and Other Waste Sites

Provides information on landfills and other waste sites that may pose a risk to the study site. This search is conducted using radii up to 1500m.

#### 4. Current Land Uses

Provides information on current land uses that may pose a risk to the study site in terms of potential contamination from activities or processes. These searches are conducted using radii of up to 500m. This includes information on potentially contaminative industrial sites, petrol stations and fuel sites as well as high pressure gas pipelines and underground electricity transmission lines.

#### 5. Geology

Provides information on artificial and superficial deposits and bedrock beneath the study site.

#### 6. Hydrogeology and Hydrology

Provides information on productive strata within the bedrock and superficial geological layers, abstraction licenses, Source Protection Zones (SPZs) and river quality. These searches are conducted using radii of up to 2000m.

#### 7. Flooding

Provides information on river and coastal flooding, flood defences, flood storage areas and groundwater flood areas. This search is conducted using radii of up to 250m.

#### 8. Designated Environmentally Sensitive Sites

Provides information on the Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), National Nature Reserves (NNR), Special Areas of Conservation (SAC), Special Protection Areas (SPA), Ramsar sites, Local Nature Reserves (LNR), Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), National Parks (NP), Environmentally Sensitive Areas, Nitrate Sensitive Areas, Nitrate Vulnerable Zones and World Heritage Sites and Scheduled Ancient Woodland. These searches are conducted using radii of up to 2000m.

#### 9. Natural Hazards

Provides information on a range of natural hazards that may pose a risk to the study site. These factors include natural ground subsidence and radon..

#### 10. Mining

Provides information on areas of coal and non-coal mining and brine affected areas.

#### 11. Contacts

This section of the report provides contact points for statutory bodies and data providers that may be able to provide further information on issues raised within this report. Alternatively, Groundsure provide a free Technical Helpline (08444 159000) for further information and guidance.

#### Note: Maps

Only certain features are placed on the maps within the report. All features represented on maps found within this search are given an identification number. This number identifies the feature on the mapping and correlates it to the additional information provided below. This identification number precedes all other information and takes the following format -Id: 1, Id: 2, etc. Where numerous features on the same map are in such close proximity that the numbers would obscure each other a letter identifier is used instead to represent the features. (e.g. Three features which overlap may be given the identifier "A" on the map and would be identified separately as features 1A, 3A, 10A on the data tables provided).

Where a feature is reported in the data tables to a distance greater than the map area, it is noted in the data table as "Not Shown".

All distances given in this report are in Metres (m). Directions are given as compass headings such as N: North, E: East, NE: North East from the nearest point of the study site boundary.



### 1. Historical Land Use





### **1. Historical Industrial Sites**

#### 1.1 Potentially Contaminative Uses identified from 1:10,000 scale Mapping

The systematic analysis of data extracted from standard 1:10,560 and 1:10,000 scale historical maps provides the following information:

Records of sites with a potentially contaminative past land use within 500m of the search boundary: 81

ID	Distance [m]	Direction	Use	Date
1A	0	On Site	Nursery	1995
2A	0	On Site	Nursery	1985
3X	15	NE	Sewage Pipe	1882
4Z	22	S	Unspecified Heap	1966
5AA	106	SE	Cuttings	1880
6AB	130	S	Unspecified Heap	1966
7B	172	S	Railway Sidings	1970
8B	172	S	Railway Sidings	1995
9B	172	S	Railway Sidings	1966
10B	172	S	Railway Sidings	1985
11D	192	S	Sewage Tank	1882
12C	199	S	Sewage Works	1985
13C	199	S	Sewage Works	1995
14D	202	S	Unspecified Heap	1966
15D	204	S	Sewage Tank	1880
16E	208	S	Unspecified Tanks	1995
17E	208	S	Unspecified Tanks	1985
18F	215	S	Sewage Tank	1950
19F	215	S	Sewage Tank	1919
20F	215	S	Sewage Tank	1898
21C	231	S	Sewage Farm	1970
22G	234	NE	Unspecified Heap	1919
23G	234	NE	Unspecified Heap	1898
24G	234	NE	Unspecified Heap	1950
25F	236	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
26F	236	S	Unspecified Tank	1985
27Q	247	S	Unspecified Tanks	1970
28H	257	NE	Unspecified Heap	1898
29H	257	NE	Unspecified Heap	1950
30H	257	NE	Unspecified Heap	1919
31C	263	S	Unspecified Tanks	1995
32C	263	S	Unspecified Tanks	1970
33C	263	S	Unspecified Tanks	1985
341	289	S	Unspecified Tanks	1995



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351	289	S	Unspecified Tanks	1985
36J	291	NE	Railway Sidings	1966
37J	292	NE	Coal Depot	1970
38J	292	NE	Railway Sidings	1970
39J	292	NE	Railway Sidings	1985
40J	296	NE	Coal Depot	1880
41J	298	NE	Railway Sidings	1950
42K	298	NE	Coal Depot	1919
43J	298	NE	Railway Sidings	1919
44J	298	NE	Railway Sidings	1898
45K	298	NE	Coal Depot	1950
46J	299	NE	Railway Sidings	1880
47P	305	NE	Coal Depot	1882
48	307	S	Railway Building	1966
49L	312	NE	Railway Building	1898
50C	316	S	Unspecified Tanks	1970
51L	317	NE	Coal Depot	1966
52J	318	NE	Railway Sidings	1882
53C	319	S	Unspecified Tanks	1995
54C	319	S	Unspecified Tanks	1985
55M	347	S	Unspecified Tanks	1995
56M	347	S	Unspecified Tanks	1985
57K	350	NE	Railway Building	1995
58K	350	NE	Railway Building	1985
59K	375	NE	Coal Depot	1985
60K	377	NE	Coal Depot	1995
61N	401	NE	Hospital	1995
62N	401	NE	Hospital	1970
630	436	NE	Cemetery	1970
640	436	NE	Cemetery	1995
650	464	NE	Cemetery	1880
66P	465	NE	Goods Shed	1880
67N	465	NE	Hospital	1985
68P	470	NE	Goods Shed	1950
69P	470	NE	Goods Shed	1919
70P	470	NE	Goods Shed	1898
71P	471	NE	Goods Shed	1882
720	471	NE	Cemetery	1938
730	472	NE	Cemetery	1882
740	472	NE	Cemetery	1898
750	472	NE	Cemetery	1950
76P	473	NE	Goods Shed	1966
770	473	NE	Cemetery	1966
780	473	NE	Cemetery	1985
79P	473	NE	Railway Building	1898
80P	473	NE	Railway Building	1919



81P	473	NE	Railway Building	1950

#### 1.2 Additional Information – Historical Tank Database

The systematic analysis of data extracted from High Detailed 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Records of historical tanks within 500m of the search boundary:

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ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Use	Date
82E	191	S	Tanks	1996
83E	191	S	Tanks	1995
84E	191	S	Tanks	1996
85E	191	S	Tanks	1995
86Q	196	S	Tanks	1992
87D	200	S	Sewage Tank	1881
88D	200	S	Urban District Council Sewage Tank	1922
89D	200	S	Sewage Tank	1900
90R	202	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
91R	202	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
92E	209	S	Tanks	1986
93D	219	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
94D	219	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
955	228	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
965	228	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
97R	231	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
98R	231	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
99Q	236	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
100Q	236	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
101Q	236	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
102Q	236	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
103Q	237	S	Unspecified Tank	1992
104Q	237	S	Unspecified Tank	1986
105T	243	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
106T	243	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
107T	248	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
108T	248	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
109Q	249	S	Tanks	1966
110Q	251	S	Tanks	1996
111Q	251	S	Tanks	1995
112Q	251	S	Tanks	1995
113Q	251	S	Tanks	1996
114Q	251	S	Tanks	1992



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115Q	251	S	Tanks	1986
1165	254	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
1175	254	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
1185	254	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
1195	254	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
120Q	257	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
121Q	257	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
122Q	257	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
123Q	257	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
124C	263	S	Tanks	1966
125U	263	S	Tanks	1996
126U	263	S	Tanks	1995
127U	263	S	Tanks	1996
128U	263	S	Tanks	1995
129C	265	S	Tanks	1992
130M	270	S	Tanks	1995
131M	270	S	Tanks	1995
132V	272	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
133V	272	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
1341	279	S	Tanks	1983
135V	280	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
136V	280	S	Unspecified Tank	1995
1371	283	S	Tanks	1992
1381	283	S	Tanks	1993
139AD	292	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
140C	301	S	Tanks	1996
141M	305	S	Tanks	1992
142M	305	S	Tanks	1993
143C	306	S	Unspecified Tank	1996
144C	317	S	Tanks	1966
145C	318	S	Tanks	1992
146C	318	S	Tanks	1986
147W	479	NE	Tanks	1995
148W	481	NE	Unspecified Tank	1995
149W	490	NE	Unspecified Tank	1995
150W	500	NE	Unspecified Tank	1995

#### 1.3 Additional Information – Historical Energy Features Database

The systematic analysis of data extracted from High Detailed 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Records of historical energy features within 500m of the search boundary:



ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Use	Date
151X	157	NE	Electricity Substation	1995
152X	157	NE	Electricity Substation	1996
153X	157	NE	Electricity Substation	1996
154X	157	NE	Electricity Substation	1995
155Y	251	S	Electricity Substation	1986
156Y	251	S	Electricity Substation	1992
157	388	NE	Electricity Substation	1996

#### 1.4 Additional Information – Historical Petrol and Fuel Site Database

The systematic analysis of data extracted from High Detailed 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Records of historical petrol stations and fuel sites within 500m of the search boundary:

0

Database searched and no data found.

#### 1.5 Additional Information – Historical Garage and Motor Vehicle Repair Database

The systematic analysis of data extracted from High Detailed 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Records of historical garage and motor vehicle repair sites within 500m of the search boundary: 0

Database searched and no data found.

#### 1.6 Potentially Infilled Land

Records of Potentially Infilled Features from 1:10,000 scale mapping within 500m of the study site: 40

The following Historical Potentially Infilled Features derived from the Historical Mapping information is provided by Groundsure:

ID	Distance(m)	Direction	Use	Date
158Z	22	S	Unspecified Heap	1966
159AA	106	SE	Cuttings	1880
160AB	130	S	Unspecified Heap	1966
161	152	S	Pond	1882
162D	163	S	Pond	1880
163V	188	S	Ponds	1995
164V	188	S	Ponds	1985
165D	192	S	Sewage Tank	1882
166C	199	S	Sewage Works	1995
167C	199	S	Sewage Works	1985



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168S	202	S	Unspecified Heap	1966
169S	204	S	Sewage Tank	1880
170AC	210	S	Pond	1970
171AC	210	S	Pond	1985
172AC	210	S	Pond	1995
173F	215	S	Sewage Tank	1898
174F	215	S	Sewage Tank	1950
175F	215	S	Sewage Tank	1919
176AD	231	S	Sewage Farm	1970
177G	234	NE	Unspecified Heap	1898
178G	234	NE	Unspecified Heap	1950
179G	234	NE	Unspecified Heap	1919
180AE	254	S	Water Body	1882
181H	257	NE	Unspecified Heap	1919
182H	257	NE	Unspecified Heap	1898
183H	257	NE	Unspecified Heap	1950
184AE	264	S	Water Body	1880
185AE	267	S	Water Body	1882
186AE	280	S	Pond	1880
187AF	370	NE	Pond	1970
188AF	378	NE	Pond	1880
1890	436	NE	Cemetery	1970
1900	436	NE	Cemetery	1995
1910	464	NE	Cemetery	1880
1920	471	NE	Cemetery	1938
1930	472	NE	Cemetery	1882
1940	472	NE	Cemetery	1898
1950	472	NE	Cemetery	1950
1960	473	NE	Cemetery	1985
1970	473	NE	Cemetery	1966



## 2. Environmental Permits, Incidents and Registers Map





### 2. Environmental Permits, Incidents and Registers

#### 2.1 Industrial Sites Holding Licences and/or Authorisations

Searches of information provided by the Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales and Local Authorities reveal the following information:

2.1.1 Records of historic IPC Authorisations within 500m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.

2.1.2 Records of Part A(1) and IPPC Authorised Activities within 500m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.

2.1.3 Records of Red List Discharge Consents (potentially harmful discharges to controlled waters) within 500m of the study site:

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Database searched and no data found.

2.1.4 Records of List 1 Dangerous Substances Inventory Sites within 500m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.



#### 2.1.5 Records of List 2 Dangerous Substance Inventory Sites within 500m of the study site:

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The following List 2 Dangerous Substance Inventory Site records are represented as points on the Environmental Permits, Incidents and Registers Map:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Details	
7B	215	S	457871 221227	Name: Haul Waste Disposal Ltd Status: Active Receiving Water: Langford Brook	Authorised Substances: Chromium, Copper, Lead, Nickel, Zinc
8B	215	S	457871 221227	Name: Powdertech (bicester) Ltd Status: Active Receiving Water: -	Authorised Substances: Zinc
9B	215	S	457871 221227	Name: Hardide Ltd Status: Active Receiving Water: Langford Brook	Authorised Substances: Chromium, Copper, Lead, Nickel, Silver, Zinc
10B	215	S	457871 221227	Name: Bicester Stw Status: Active Receiving Water: Langford Brook	Authorised Substances: Iron

2.1.6 Records of Part A(2) and Part B Activities and Enforcements within 500m of the study site:

The following Part A(2) and Part B Activities are represented as points on the Environmental Permits, Incidents and Registers Map:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	De	tails
26	125	NW	457715 222003	Address: Bicester Service Area (ROC UK Ltd), Oxford Road, Bicester, Oxfordshire, OX6 8BT Process: Gasification, Liquefaction & Refining Activities Status: Current Permit Permit Type: Part B	Enforcement: No Enforcements Notified Date of Enforcement: No Enforcements Notified Comment: No Enforcements Notified
27	228	NE	458017 221991	Address: Tesco's Bicester, Pingle Drive, Bicester, Oxfordshire, OX16 7LX Process: Service Stations Unloading Petrol Status: Current Permit Permit Type: Part B	Enforcement: No Enforcements Notified Date of Enforcement: No Enforcements Notified Comment: No Enforcements Notified

2.1.7 Records of Category 3 or 4 Radioactive Substances Authorisations:

Database searched and no data found.

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#### 2.1.8 Records of Licensed Discharge Consents within 500m of the study site:

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The following Licensed Discharge Consents records are represented as points on the Environmental Permits, Incidents and Registers Map:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Details		
11C	98	NE	458300 221650	Address: PHASE I BICESTER RETAIL PARK, A421, PHASE I BICESTER RETAIL PARK, A4, 21 OXFORD ROAD, BICESTER, OXFORD, SHIRE, - Effluent Type: MISCELLANEOUS DISCHARGES - SURFACE WATER Permit Number: CNTW.0555 Permit Version: 1	Receiving Water: TRIB OF THE LANGFORD BROOK Status: TRANSFERRED FROM WATER ACT 1989 Issue date: 14/06/1990 Effective Date: 14-Jun-1990 Revocation Date: 11/05/1997	
12C	98	NE	458300 221650	Address: PHASE I BICESTER RETAIL PARK, A421, PHASE I BICESTER RETAIL PARK, A4, 21 OXFORD ROAD, BICESTER, OXFORD, SHIRE, - Effluent Type: MISCELLANEOUS DISCHARGES - SURFACE WATER Permit Number: CNTW.0555 Permit Version: 2	Receiving Water: TRIB OF THE LANGFORD BROOK Status: VARIED BY APPLICATION - (WRA 91 SCHED 10 - AS AMENDED BY ENV ACT 1995) Issue date: 14/06/1990 Effective Date: 12-May-1997 Revocation Date: -	
13	207	S	457980 221270	Address: BICESTER SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS, OXFORD ROAD, BICESTER, OXFORDSHIRE, - Effluent Type: SEWAGE DISCHARGES - SEWER STORM OVERFLOW - WATER COMPANY Permit Number: CAWM.0807 Permit Version: 1	Receiving Water: THE LANGFORD BROOK Status: NEW CONSENT (WRA 91, S88 & SCHED 10 AS AMENDED BY ENV ACT 1995) Issue date: 12/11/2004 Effective Date: 01-Jun-2004 Revocation Date: -	
14B	215	S	457850 221220	Address: BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, -, -, - Effluent Type: SEWAGE DISCHARGES - FINAL/TREATED EFFLUENT - WATER COMPANY Permit Number: CNTD.0023 Permit Version: 6	Receiving Water: LANGFORD BROOK Status: VARIED BY APPLICATION - (WRA 91 SCHED 10 - AS AMENDED BY ENV ACT 1995) Issue date: 29/06/2007 Effective Date: 29-Jun-2007 Revocation Date: 31/03/2009	
15B	215	S	457850 221220	Address: BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, -, -, - Effluent Type: SEWAGE DISCHARGES - FINAL/TREATED EFFLUENT - WATER COMPANY Permit Number: CNTD.0023 Permit Version: 5	Receiving Water: LANGFORD BROOK Status: VARIED BY APPLICATION - (WRA 91 SCHED 10 - AS AMENDED BY ENV ACT 1995) Issue date: 30/03/2006 Effective Date: 30-Mar-2006 Revocation Date: 28/06/2007	
16B	215	S	457850 221220	Address: BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, -, -, - Effluent Type: SEWAGE DISCHARGES - FINAL/TREATED EFFLUENT - WATER COMPANY Permit Number: CNTD.0023 Permit Version: 4	Receiving Water: LANGFORD BROOK Status: VARIED BY APPLICATION - (WRA 91 SCHED 10 - AS AMENDED BY ENV ACT 1995) Issue date: 31/03/2005 Effective Date: 01-Apr-2005 Revocation Date: 29/03/2006	
17B	215	S	457850 221220	Address: BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, -, -, - Effluent Type: SEWAGE DISCHARGES - FINAL/TREATED EFFLUENT - WATER COMPANY Permit Number: CNTD.0023 Permit Version: 7	Receiving Water: LANGFORD BROOK Status: VARIED BY APPLICATION - (WRA 91 SCHED 10 - AS AMENDED BY ENV ACT 1995) Issue date: 28/01/2009 Effective Date: 01-Apr-2009 Revocation Date: 31/03/2010	



ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Details		
18B	215	S	457850 221220	Address: BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, -, -, - Effluent Type: SEWAGE DISCHARGES - FINAL/TREATED EFFLUENT - WATER COMPANY Permit Number: CNTD.0023 Permit Version: 8	Receiving Water: LANGFORD BROOK Status: VARIED BY APPLICATION - (WRA 91 SCHED 10 - AS AMENDED BY ENV ACT 1995) Issue date: 01/04/2010 Effective Date: 01-Apr-2010 Revocation Date: -	
19B	237	S	457860 221200	Address: BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, -, -, - Effluent Type: SEWAGE DISCHARGES - FINAL/TREATED EFFLUENT - WATER COMPANY Permit Number: CNTD.0023 Permit Version: 1	Receiving Water: LANGFORD BROOK Status: BY DIRECT. OF SEC OF STATE, (WATER ACT 1989 SCHED 26 & 25(4)(5)) Issue date: 02/11/1989 Effective Date: 02-Nov-1989 Revocation Date: 31/03/1990	
20B	237	S	457860 221200	Address: BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, -, -, - Effluent Type: SEWAGE DISCHARGES - FINAL/TREATED EFFLUENT - WATER COMPANY Permit Number: CNTD.0023 Permit Version: 3	Receiving Water: LANGFORD BROOK Status: VARIED BY APPLICATION - (WRA 91 SCHED 10 - AS AMENDED BY ENV ACT 1995) Issue date: 21/12/2000 Effective Date: 21-Dec-2000 Revocation Date: 31/03/2005	
218	237	S	457860 221200	Address: BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, -, -, - Effluent Type: SEWAGE DISCHARGES - FINAL/TREATED EFFLUENT - WATER COMPANY Permit Number: CNTD.0023 Permit Version: 2	Receiving Water: LANGFORD BROOK Status: VARIED BY APPLICATION - (WRA 91 SCHED 10 - AS AMENDED BY ENV ACT 1995) Issue date: 02/11/1989 Effective Date: 01-Apr-1990 Revocation Date: 20/12/2000	
22	262	Ν	457850 222150	Address: THE SERVICE STATION, OXFORD ROAD, B, THE SERVICE STATION, OXFORD ROAD, , BICESTER, OXFORDSHIRE, -, - Effluent Type: TRADE DISCHARGES - SITE DRAINAGE Permit Number: CNTM.1213 Permit Version: 1	Receiving Water: TRIBUTARY OFTHE TOWN BROOK Status: LAPSED UNDER SCHEDULE 23 ENVIRONMENT ACT 1995 Issue date: 13/12/1993 Effective Date: 13-Dec-1993 Revocation Date: 01/10/1996	
23	275	NE	458500 221700	Address: TALISMAN BUSINESS CENTRE, LONDON RO, TALISMAN BUSINESS CENTRE, LONDON, ROAD, BICESTER, OXFORDSHIRE, -, - Effluent Type: MISCELLANEOUS DISCHARGES - SURFACE WATER Permit Number: CNTW.0314 Permit Version: 1	Receiving Water: TOWN BROOK Status: LAPSED UNDER SCHEDULE 23 ENVIRONMENT ACT 1995 Issue date: 19/01/1990 Effective Date: 19-Jan-1990 Revocation Date: 01/10/1996	
24	314	S	457800 221100	Address: BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, BICESTER STW, BICESTER, OXON, -, -, - Effluent Type: SEWAGE DISCHARGES - FINAL/TREATED EFFLUENT - NOT WATER COMPANY Permit Number: CTCR.1293 Permit Version: 1	Receiving Water: LANGFORD BROOK Status: REVOKED - UNSPECIFIED Issue date: 09/10/1972 Effective Date: 31-Jan-1985 Revocation Date: 01/11/1989	
25	486	NE	458430 222030	Address: LAND OFF PRIORY ROAD, BICESTER, OXO, LAND OFF PRIORY ROAD, BICESTER,, OXON., -, - Effluent Type: MISCELLANEOUS DISCHARGES - SURFACE WATER Permit Number: CTWC.0200 Permit Version: 1	Receiving Water: TRIBUTARY OFLANGFORD BROOK Status: REVOKED (WRA 91, S88 & SCHED 10 AS AMENDED BY ENV ACT 1995) Issue date: 22/07/1985 Effective Date: 22-Jul-1985 Revocation Date: 09/11/2009	


### 2.1.9 Records of Water Industry Referrals (potentially harmful discharges to the public sewer) within 500m of the study site:

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Database searched and no data found.

2.1.10 Records of Planning Hazardous Substance Consents and Enforcements within 500m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.

#### 2.2 Dangerous or Hazardous Sites

Records of COMAH & NIHHS sites within 500m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.

#### 2.3 Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Recorded Pollution Incidents

#### 2.3.1 Records of National Incidents Recording System, List 2 within 500m of the study site:

The following NIRS List 2 records are represented as points on the Environmental Permits, Incidents and Registers Map:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Details		
1	5	S	457662 221381	Incident Date: 09-Dec-2002 Incident Identification: 125299 Pollutant: Other Pollutant Pollutant Description: Microbiological	Water Impact: Category 3 (Minor) Land Impact: Category 4 (No Impact) Air Impact: Category 4 (No Impact)	
2A	45	Ν	457778 221940	Incident Date: 01-Oct-2001 Incident Identification: 34098 Pollutant: Oils and Fuel Pollutant Description: Diesel	Water Impact: Category 4 (No Impact) Land Impact: Category 3 (Minor) Air Impact: Category 4 (No Impact)	
3A	45	Ν	457778 221940	Incident Date: 01-Oct-2001 Incident Identification: 34098 Pollutant: General Biodegradable Materials and Wastes Pollutant Description: Food and Drink	Water Impact: Category 4 (No Impact) Land Impact: Category 3 (Minor) Air Impact: Category 4 (No Impact)	



ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Details		
4A	45	Ν	457778 221940	Incident Date: 01-Oct-2001 Incident Identification: 34098 Pollutant: General Biodegradable Materials and Wastes:Oils and Fuel Pollutant Description: Food and Drink:Diesel	Water Impact: Category 4 (No Impact) Land Impact: Category 3 (Minor) Air Impact: Category 4 (No Impact)	
5	217	SE	458351 221354	Incident Date: 17-Apr-2002 Incident Identification: 72341 Pollutant: Sewage Materials Pollutant Description: Other Sewage Material	Water Impact: Category 3 (Minor) Land Impact: Category 4 (No Impact) Air Impact: Category 4 (No Impact)	
6	243	NE	458239 221865	Incident Date: 13-May-2003 Incident Identification: 157913 Pollutant: Oils and Fuel Pollutant Description: Petrol	Water Impact: Category 4 (No Impact) Land Impact: Category 4 (No Impact) Air Impact: Category 4 (No Impact)	

2.3.2 Records of National Incidents Recording System, List 1 within 500m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

#### 2.4 Sites Determined as Contaminated Land under Part 2A EPA 1990

How many records of sites determined as contaminated land under Section 78R of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 are there within 500m of the study site? 0

Database searched and no data found.



# 3. Landfill and Other Waste Sites Map





# 3. Landfill and Other Waste Sites

#### 3.1 Landfill Sites

3.1.1 Records from Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales landfill data within 1000m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

3.1.2 Records of Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales historic landfill sites within 1500m of the study site:

1

The following landfill records are represented as either points or polygons on the Landfill and Other Waste Sites map:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Det	tails
1	673	NE	458800 221900	Site Address: London Road, Bicester, Oxfordshire Waste Licence: - Site Reference: 13.6.5821, TP0100 Waste Type: Inert, Industrial, Commercial, Household Environmental Permitting Regulations (Waste) Reference: -	Licence Issue: Licence Surrendered: Licence Holder Address: - Operator: Ploughley Rural District Council Licence Holder: - First Recorded: - Last Recorded: 31-Dec-1969

3.1.3 Records of BGS/DoE non-operational landfill sites within 1500m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

3.1.4 Records of Landfills from Local Authority and Historical Mapping Records within 1500m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.



#### 3.2 Other Waste Sites

#### 3.2.1 Records of waste treatment, transfer or disposal sites within 500m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.

### 3.2.2 Records of Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales licensed waste sites within 1500m of the study site:

2

0

The following waste treatment, transfer or disposal sites records are represented as points on the Landfill and Other Waste Sites map:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Details		
2	480	NE	458600 221900	Site Address: McGregor Railway Services Ltd, Station Yard Road, London Road, Bicester, Oxon, OX6 7BZ Type: Metal Recycling Site (mixed MRS's) Size: >= 25000 tonnes < 75000 tonnes Environmental Permitting Regulations (Waste) Licence Number: MCG001 EPR reference: - Operator: McGregor Railway Services Ltd Waste Management licence No: 86100 Annual Tonnage: 74999.0	Issue Date: 27/10/1994 Effective Date: - Modified: 27/07/2001 Surrendered Date: - Expiry Date: - Cancelled Date: - Status: Modified Site Name: S. M. Mcgregor Correspondence Address: McGregor Railway Services Ltd_, The White Cottage, Lower Road, Blackthorn, Bicester, Oxon, OX6 0TG	
3	500	NE	458622 221906	Site Address: McGregor Railway Services Ltd, Station Yard, London Road, Bicester, Oxfordshire, OX26 6HU Type: Metal Recycling Site (mixed MRS's) Size: < 25000 tonnes Environmental Permitting Regulations (Waste) Licence Number: MCG001 EPR reference: EA/EPR/CP3599EP/S003 Operator: McGregor Railway Services Ltd Waste Management licence No: 86100 Annual Tonnage: 0.0	Issue Date: 27/10/1994 Effective Date: - Modified: 28/05/2008 Surrendered Date: 18/11/2009 Expiry Date: - Cancelled Date: - Status: Surrendered Site Name: S. M. Mcgregor Correspondence Address: -	



### 4. Current Land Use Map





### 4. Current Land Uses

#### 4.1 Current Industrial Data

Records of potentially contaminative industrial sites within 250m of the study site:

9

The following records are represented as points on the Current Land Uses map.

ID	Distance (m)	Directio n	Company	NGR	Address	Activity	Category
1	2	S	Electricity Sub Station	457671 221387	Electricity Sub Station, OX25	Electrical Features	Infrastructure and Facilities
2A	125	NW	Bicester Services	457715 222003	Bicester Services, Bicester Services, Oxford Road, Bicester, OX26 1BT	Petrol and Fuel Stations	Road and Rail
3A	125	NW	Esso	457715 222003	Esso, Bicester Services, Oxford Road, Bicester, OX26 1BT	Petrol and Fuel Stations	Road and Rail
4	138	NE	Pandora	458138 221806	Pandora, 51b, Pingle Drive, Bicester Village, Bicester, OX26 6WD	Jewellery, Gems, Clocks and Watches	Consumer Products
5	145	S	Electricity Sub Station	457633 221244	Electricity Sub Station, OX25	Electrical Features	Infrastructure and Facilities
6	150	NE	Electricity Sub Station	458333 221690	Electricity Sub Station, OX26	Electrical Features	Infrastructure and Facilities
7	161	NE	Electricity Sub Station	458357 221688	Electricity Sub Station, OX26	Electrical Features	Infrastructure and Facilities
8	226	NE	Electricity Sub Station	458270 221824	Electricity Sub Station, OX26	Electrical Features	Infrastructure and Facilities
9	231	NE	Tesco Bicester 2	458022 221988	Tesco Bicester 2, Pingle Drive, Bicester, OX26 6WA	Petrol and Fuel Stations	Road and Rail

#### 4.2 Petrol and Fuel Sites

Records of petrol or fuel sites within 500m of the study site:

2

The following petrol or fuel site records provided by Catalist are represented as points on the Current Land Use map:

ID	Distance (m)	Directio n	NGR	Company	Address	LPG	Status
10	70	NW	457727 221947	Esso	Bicester Services, Oxford Road, Bicester, Oxfordshire, OX26 1BT	No	Open
11	216	NE	457986 222017	Tesco	Tesco Bicester 2, Pingle Drive, Bicester, Oxfordshire, OX26 6WA	No	Open



#### 4.3 National Grid High Voltage Underground Electricity Transmission Cables

This dataset identifies the high voltage electricity transmission lines running between generating power plants and electricity substations. The dataset does not include the electricity distribution network (smaller, lower voltage cables distributing power from substations to the local user network). This information has been extracted from databases held by National Grid and is provided for information only with no guarantee as to its completeness or accuracy. National Grid do not offer any warranty as to the accuracy of the available data and are excluded from any liability for any such inaccuracies or errors.

Records of National Grid high voltage underground electricity transmission cables within 500m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.

0

#### 4.4 National Grid High Pressure Gas Transmission Pipelines

This dataset identifies high-pressure, large diameter pipelines which carry gas between gas terminals, power stations, compressors and storage facilities. The dataset does not include the Local Transmission System (LTS) which supplies gas directly into homes and businesses. This information has been extracted from databases held by National Grid and is provided for information only with no guarantee as to its completeness or accuracy. National Grid do not offer any warranty as to the accuracy of the available data and are excluded from any liability for any such inaccuracies or errors.

Records of National Grid high pressure gas transmission pipelines within 500m of the study site:

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Database searched and no data found.



# 5. Geology

#### 5.1 Artificial Ground and Made Ground

Database searched and no data found.

The database has been searched on site, including a 50m buffer.

#### 5.2 Superficial Ground and Drift Geology

The database has been searched on site, including a 50m buffer.

Lex Code	Description	Rock Type
ALV	ALLUVIUM	CLAY, SILT, SAND AND GRAVEL [UNLITHIFIED DEPOSITS CODING SCHEME]
RTD1	RIVER TERRACE DEPOSITS, 1	SAND AND GRAVEL [UNLITHIFIED DEPOSITS CODING SCHEME]

#### 5.3 Bedrock and Solid Geology

The database has been searched on site, including a 50m buffer.

Lex Code	Description	Rock Type
KLC-MDST	KELLAWAYS CLAY MEMBER	MUDSTONE
CB-LMST	CORNBRASH FORMATION	LIMESTONE

(Derived from the BGS 1:50,000 Digital Geological Map of Great Britain)



# 6 Hydrogeology and Hydrology 6a. Aquifer Within Superficial Geology





### **6b. Aquifer Within Bedrock Geology and Abstraction** Licenses



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### 6c. Hydrogeology – Source Protection Zones and Potable Water Abstraction Licenses



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### 6d. Hydrogeology – Source Protection Zones within confined aquifer







### 6e. Hydrology – Detailed River Network and River Quality





# 6.Hydrogeology and Hydrology

#### 6.1 Aquifer within Superficial Deposits

Are there records of strata classification within the superficial geology at or in proximity to the property? Yes

From 1 April 2010, the Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales's Groundwater Protection Policy has been using aquifer designations consistent with the Water Framework Directive. For further details on the designation and interpretation of this information, please refer to the Groundsure Enviro Insight User Guide.

The following aquifer records are shown on the Aquifer within Superficial Geology Map (6a):

ID	Distanc e (m)	Direction	Designation	Description
1	0	On Site	Secondary A	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 generally aquifers formerly classified as minor aquifers

#### 6.2 Aquifer within Bedrock Deposits

Are there records of strata classification within the bedrock geology at or in proximity to the property? Yes

From 1 April 2010, the Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales's Groundwater Protection Policy has been using aquifer designations consistent with the Water Framework Directive. For further details on the designation and interpretation of this information, please refer to the Groundsure Enviro Insight User Guide.

The following aquifer records are shown on the Aquifer within Bedrock Geology Map (6b):

ID	Distanc e (m)	Direction	Designation	Description
1	0	On Site	Secondary A	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 generally aquifers formerly classified as minor aquifers
3	0	On Site	Unproductive	These are rock layers or drift deposits with low permeability that have negligible significance for water supply or river base flow
2	228	S	Secondary A	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 generally aquifers formerly classified as minor aquifers
4	417	SE	Unproductive	These are rock layers or drift deposits with low permeability that have negligible significance for water supply or river base flow



#### 6.3 Groundwater Abstraction Licences

Are there any Groundwater Abstraction Licences within 2000m of the study site?

Yes

The following Abstraction Licences records are represented as points, lines and regions on the Aquifer within Bedrock Geology Map (6b):

ID	Distanc e (m)	Direction	NGR	Details			
5	210	NE	457990 222000	Status: Historical Licence No: 28/39/14/0349 Details: Pollution Remediation Direct Source: Thames Groundwater Point: Pringle Drive Filling Station Bicester Oxon Data Type: Point Name: ARCADIS GERAGHTY & MILLER INT INC.	Annual Volume (m ³ ): - Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): - Original Application No: WRW/A/1145 Original Start Date: 28/9/2004 Expiry Date: 31/3/2018 Issue No: 1 Version Start Date: 28/9/2004 Version End Date:		
Not shown	642	SW	457400 220800	Status: Historical Licence No: 28/39/14/0295 Details: General Farming & Domestic Direct Source: Thames Groundwater Point: Wendlebury Lane, Bicester (a) Data Type: Point Name: FACCENDA CHICKEN LTD	Annual Volume (m ³ ): 16593 Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): 68.2 Original Application No: WRA/5248 Original Start Date: 8/7/1983 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 8/7/1983 Version End Date:		
Not shown	812	SW	457100 220800	Status: Historical Licence No: 28/39/14/0300 Details: Drinking, Cooking, Sanitary, Washing, (Small Garden) - Commercial/Industrial/Public Services Direct Source: Thames Groundwater Point: Bicester Trailer Park, Oxford Road, Wendlebury Data Type: Point Name: M & L ROSSITER	Annual Volume (m ³ ): - Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): - Original Application No: WRA./5517 Original Start Date: 19/3/1987 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 19/3/1987 Version End Date:		
Not shown	912	SW	457200 220600	Status: Historical Licence No: 28/39/14/0329 Details: General Farming & Domestic Direct Source: Thames Groundwater Point: Promised Land Farm, Bicester (a) Data Type: Point Name: PROMISED LAND FARM	Annual Volume (m ³ ): - Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): - Original Application No: WR.A/6293 Original Start Date: 16/11/1994 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 16/11/1994 Version End Date:		
Not shown	1032	NW	456700 222100	Status: Historical Licence No: 28/39/14/0123 Details: General Farming & Domestic Direct Source: Thames Groundwater Point: Whitelands, Bicester (a) Data Type: Point Name: A D WOODLEY LTD	Annual Volume (m ³ ): - Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): - Original Application No: WR.A/1071 Original Start Date: 9/1/1967 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 9/1/1967 Version End Date:		
Not shown	1665	SW	456400 220300	Status: Historical Licence No: 28/39/14/0326 Details: General Farming & Domestic Direct Source: Thames Groundwater Point: Bowlers Copse, Wendlebury (a) Data Type: Point Name: PAIN	Annual Volume (m ³ ): - Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): - Original Application No: WR.A/6034 Original Start Date: 29/12/1993 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 29/12/1993 Version End Date:		



ID	Distanc e (m)	Direction	NGR	Details		
Not shown	1782	NE	458500 223530	Status: Historical Licence No: 28/39/14/0333 Details: General use relating to Secondary Category (Medium Loss) Direct Source: Thames Groundwater Point: Buckingham Road, Bicester, Oxon Data Type: Point Name: GIBBS HOLDINGS LTD	Annual Volume (m ³ ): - Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): - Original Application No: WRA./6332 Original Start Date: 26/7/1996 Expiry Date: 31/12/2006 Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 26/7/1996 Version End Date:	
Not shown	1804	NE	458510 223550	Status: Historical Licence No: 28/39/14/0034 Details: General use relating to Secondary Category (Medium Loss) Direct Source: Thames Groundwater Point: Buckingham Road, Bicester, - Borehole 'a' Data Type: Point Name: SUNLIGHT SERVICE GROUP LTD	Annual Volume (m ³ ): - Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): - Original Application No: WRA./1978 Original Start Date: 13/6/1966 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 4/12/1996 Version End Date:	
Not shown	1986	E	460200 221100	Status: Historical Licence No: 28/39/14/0035 Details: General Farming & Domestic Direct Source: Thames Groundwater Point: Little Wretchwick Farm, Bicester (a) Data Type: Point Name: MARLOW	Annual Volume (m ³ ): - Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): - Original Application No: WR.A/1307 Original Start Date: 13/6/1966 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: 26/7/1966 Version End Date:	

#### 6.4 Surface Water Abstraction Licences

Are there any Surface Water Abstraction Licences within 2000m of the study site?

The following Surface Water Abstraction Licences records are represented as points, lines and regions on the Aquifer within Bedrock Geology Map (6b):

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Details	
Not shown	1774	S	457560 219140	Status: Active Licence No: 28/39/14/0350 Details: Make-Up Or Top Up Water Direct Source: Thames Surface Water - Non Tidal Point: Langford Brook At Merton Grounds Farm, Merton Data Type: Line Name: Jennings	Annual Volume (m ³ ): 16256 Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): 145.47 Application No: NPS/WR/020119 Original Start Date: 6/5/2005 Expiry Date: 31/3/2018 Issue No: 2 Version Start Date: 22/7/2015 Version End Date:

Yes



#### 6.5 Potable Water Abstraction Licences

Are there any Potable Water Abstraction Licences within 2000m of the study site?

The following Potable Water Abstraction Licences records are represented as points, lines and regions on the SPZ and Potable Water Abstraction Licences Map (6c):

ID	Distanc e (m)	Direction	NGR	Detail	S
Not shown	812	SW	457100 220800	Status: Historical Licence No: 28/39/14/0300 Details: Drinking, Cooking, Sanitary, Washing, (Small Garden) - Commercial/Industrial/Public Services Direct Source: Thames Groundwater Point: Bicester Trailer Park, Oxford Road, Wendlebury Data Type: Point Name: M & L ROSSITER	Annual Volume (m ³ ): - Max Daily Volume (m ³ ): - Original Application No: WRA./5517 Original Start Date: 19/3/1987 Expiry Date: - Issue No: 100 Version Start Date: Version End Date:

#### **6.6 Source Protection Zones**

Are there any Source Protection Zones within 500m of the study site?

No

Yes

Database searched and no data found.

#### 6.7 Source Protection Zones within Confined Aquifer

Are there any Source Protection Zones within the Confined Aquifer within 500m of the study site? No

Historically, Source Protection Zone maps have been focused on regulation of activities which occur at or near the ground surface, such as prevention of point source pollution and bacterial contamination of water supplies. Sources in confined aquifers were often considered to be protected from these surface pressures due to the presence of a low permeability confining layer (e.g. glacial till, clay). The increased interest in subsurface activities such as onshore oil and gas exploration, ground source heating and cooling requires protection zones for confined sources to be marked on SPZ maps where this has not already been done.

Database searched and no data found.



#### 6.8 Groundwater Vulnerability and Soil Leaching Potential

Is there any Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales information on groundwater vulnerability and soil leaching potential within 500m of the study site? Yes

Distance (m)	Direction	Classification	Soil Vulnerability Category	Description
0	On Site	Minor Aquifer/Low Leaching Potential	L	Soils in which pollutants are unlikely to penetrate the soil layer because either water movement is largely horizontal, or they have the ability to attenuate diffuse pollutants.
341	Ν	Minor Aquifer/High Leaching Potential	HU	Soil information for urban areas and restored mineral workings. These soils are therefore assumed to be highly permeable in the absence of site-specific information.

#### 6.9 River Quality

Is there any Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales information on river quality within 1500m of the study site? Yes

#### 6.9.1 Biological Quality:

Biological Quality data describes water quality in terms of 83 groups of macroinvertebrates, some of which are pollution sensitive. The results are graded from A ('Very Good') to F ('Bad').

The following Biological Quality records are shown on the Hydrology Map (6e):

	Distanc e (m)	Direction	NGR	Diver Quality Crede	Biological Quality Grade				
				River Quality Grade	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
83F	314	S	457800 221100	River Name: Langford Brook Reach: Bicester Stw - Ray End/Start of Stretch: Start of Stretch NGR	В	В	В	В	В
84F	314	S	457800 221100	River Name: Langford Brook Reach: Stratton Audley - Bicester Stw End/Start of Stretch: End of Stretch NGR	В	В	В	В	В



#### 6.9.2 Chemical Quality:

Chemical quality data is based on the General Quality Assessment Headline Indicators scheme (GQAHI). In England, each chemical sample is measured for ammonia and dissolved oxygen. In Wales, the samples are measured for biological oxygen demand (BOD), ammonia and dissolved oxygen. The results are graded from A ('Very Good') to F ('Bad').

The following Chemical Quality records are shown on the Hydrology Map (6e):

						Chemi	ical Quality	Grade	
ID	Distanc e (m)	Direction	NGR	River Quality Grade	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
85F	314	S	457800 221100	River Name: Langford Brook Reach: Bicester Stw - Ray End/Start of Stretch: Start of Stretch NGR	С	С	С	С	В
86F	314	S	457800 221100	River Name: Langford Brook Reach: Stratton Audley - Bicester Stw End/Start of Stretch: End of Stretch NGR	С	С	С	С	С
87G	571	E	458837 221580	River Name: Langford Brook Reach: Stratton Audley - Bicester Stw End/Start of Stretch: Sample Point NGR	С	С	С	С	С

#### 6.10 Detailed River Network

Are there any Detailed River Network entries within 500m of the study site?

Yes

The following Detailed River Network records are represented on the Hydrology Map (6e):

ID	Distanc e (m)	Direction		Details
1	0	On Site	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
2	1	S	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
3	14	SE	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
4	166	S	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
5	170	S	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
6	173	S	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Culvert Main River Status: Currently Undefined
7	179	S	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
8	179	S	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined



ID	Distanc e (m)	Direction		Details
9	187	S	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
10	217	S	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
11	228	NE	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
12	238	Ν	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
13	246	SE	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
14	248	SE	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
15	294	SE	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
16	294	SE	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
17	310	NE	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
18	316	S	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
19	316	S	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
20	323	S	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
21	340	Ν	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
22	342	Ν	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
23	376	W	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
24	384	SW	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Culvert Main River Status: Currently Undefined
25A	387	S	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
26B	392	SE	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
27	404	NW	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined



ID	Distanc e (m)	Direction		Details
28	405	NW	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
29A	407	S	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
30	407	S	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
31	415	SE	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
32B	417	SE	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
33C	417	SE	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
34	420	SE	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Tertiary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
35C	437	SE	River Name: - Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
36	440	E	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Secondary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined
37	440	E	River Name: Drain Welsh River Name: - Alternative Name: -	River Type: Primary River Main River Status: Currently Undefined

#### 6.11 Surface Water Features

Are there any surface water features within 250m of the study site?

Yes

The following surface water records are not represented on mapping:

Distance (m)	Direction
0	On Site
8	S
10	NE
14	SE
57	NW
141	S
165	S
190	S
217	SE
225	S
227	NE
236	Ν



### 7a. Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Flood Map for Planning (from rivers and the sea)





## 7b. Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Risk of Flooding from Rivers and the Sea (RoFRaS) Map





# 7 Flooding

#### 7.1 River and Coastal Zone 2 Flooding

Is the site within 250m of an Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Zone 2 floodplain? Yes

Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Zone 2 floodplains estimate the annual probability of flooding as between 1 in 1000 (0.1%) and 1 in 100 (1%) from rivers and between 1 in 1000 (0.1%) and 1 in 200 (0.5%) from the sea. Any relevant data is represented on Map 7a – Flood Map for Planning:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Update	Туре
1A	0	On Site	01-Feb-2017	Zone 2 - (Fluvial /Tidal Models)
2	72	NE	01-Feb-2017	Zone 2 - (Fluvial /Tidal Models)
3B	120	SE	01-Feb-2017	Zone 2 - (Fluvial /Tidal Models)
4C	140	NE	01-Feb-2017	Zone 2 - (Fluvial /Tidal Models)
5E	219	Е	01-Feb-2017	Zone 2 - (Fluvial /Tidal Models)
6D	228	Ν	01-Feb-2017	Zone 2 - (Fluvial /Tidal Models)

#### 7.2 River and Coastal Zone 3 Flooding

Is the site within 250m of an Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales Zone 3 floodplain? Yes

Zone 3 shows the extent of a river flood with a 1 in 100 (1%) or greater chance of occurring in any year or a sea flood with a 1 in 200 (0.5%) or greater chance of occurring in any year. Any relevant data is represented on Map 7a – Flood Map for Planning.

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Update	Туре
1A	0	On Site	01-Feb-2017	Zone 3 - (Fluvial Models)
2	123	SE	01-Feb-2017	Zone 3 - (Fluvial Models)
3B	147	NE	01-Feb-2017	Zone 3 - (Fluvial Models)
4C	223	NE	01-Feb-2017	Zone 3 - (Fluvial Models)
5E	228	Ν	01-Feb-2017	Zone 3 - (Fluvial Models)
6D	249	NE	01-Feb-2017	Zone 3 - (Fluvial Models)



#### 7.3 Risk of Flooding from Rivers and the Sea (RoFRaS) Flood Rating

What is the highest risk of flooding onsite?

Medium

The Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales RoFRaS database provides an indication of river and coastal flood risk at a national level on a 50m grid with the flood rating at the centre of the grid calculated and given above. The data considers the probability that the flood defences will overtop or breach by considering their location, type, condition and standard of protection.

RoFRaS data for the study site indicates the property is in an area with a Medium (greater than 1 in 100 but less than 1 in 30) chance of flooding in any given year.

Any relevant data within 250m is represented on the RoFRaS Flood map. Data to 50m is reported in the table below.

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	RoFRas flood Risk
1	0.0	On Site	Low
2	0.0	On Site	Low
3	0.0	On Site	Low
4	0.0	On Site	Low
5	0.0	On Site	Low
6	0.0	On Site	Low
7	0.0	On Site	Medium
8	13.0	S	High
9	33.0	E	Medium
10A	46.0	NE	Low

#### 7.4 Flood Defences

Are there any Flood Defences within 250m of the study site?<br/>Database searched and no data found.No**7.5 Areas benefiting from Flood Defences**NoAre there any areas benefiting from Flood Defences within 250m of the study site?No**7.6 Areas benefiting from Flood Storage**NoAre there any areas used for Flood Storage within 250m of the study site?No

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#### 7.7 Groundwater Flooding Susceptibility Areas

7.7.1 Are there any British Geological Survey groundwater flooding susceptibility areas within 50m of the boundary of the study site? Yes

Does this relate to Clearwater Flooding or Superficial Deposits Flooding? Clearwater Flooding

Notes: Groundwater flooding may either be associated with shallow unconsolidated sedimentary aquifers which overlie unproductive aquifers (Superficial Deposits Flooding), or with unconfined aquifers (Clearwater Flooding).

7.7.2 What is the highest susceptibility to groundwater flooding in the search area based on the underlying geological conditions?

Potential at Surface

High

Where potential for groundwater flooding to occur at surface is indicated, this means that given the geological conditions in the area groundwater flooding hazard should be considered in all land-use planning decisions. It is recommended that other relevant information e.g. records of previous incidence of groundwater flooding, rainfall, property type, and land drainage information be investigated in order to establish relative, but not absolute, risk of groundwater flooding.

#### 7.8 Groundwater Flooding Confidence Areas

What is the British Geological Survey confidence rating in this result?

Notes: Groundwater flooding is defined as the emergence of groundwater at the ground surface or the rising of groundwater into man-made ground under conditions where the normal range of groundwater levels is exceeded.

The confidence rating is on a threefold scale - Low, Moderate and High. This provides a relative indication of the BGS confidence in the accuracy of the susceptibility result for groundwater flooding. This is based on the amount and precision of the information used in the assessment. In areas with a relatively lower level of confidence the susceptibility result should be treated with more caution. In other areas with higher levels of confidence the susceptibility result can be used with more confidence.



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### 8. Designated Environmentally Sensitive Sites Map







### 8. Designated Environmentally Sensitive Sites

Presence of Designated Environmentally Sensitive Sites within 2000m of the study site?

8.1 Records of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) within 2000m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.

8.2 Records of National Nature Reserves (NNR) within 2000m of the study site:

0

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Yes

Database searched and no data found.

8.3 Records of Special Areas of Conservation (SAC) within 2000m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.

8.4 Records of Special Protection Areas (SPA) within 2000m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.

8.5 Records of Ramsar sites within 2000m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.



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#### 8.6 Records of Ancient Woodland within 2000m of the study site:

The following records of Designated Ancient Woodland provided by Natural England/Natural Resources Wales are represented as polygons on the Designated Environmentally Sensitive Sites Map:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Ancient Woodland Name	Data Source
8	1092	SE	UNKNOWN	Ancient and Semi-Natural Woodland

#### 8.7 Records of Local Nature Reserves (LNR) within 2000m of the study site:

The following Local Nature Reserve (LNR) records provided by Natural England/Natural Resources Wales are represented as polygons on the Designated Environmentally Sensitive Sites Map:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	LNR Name	Data Source
Not shown	1581	Ν	Bure Park	Natural England

#### 8.8 Records of World Heritage Sites within 2000m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

#### 8.9 Records of Environmentally Sensitive Areas within 2000m of the study site:

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The following Environmentally Sensitive Area records produced by DEFRA are represented as polygons on the Designated Environmentally Sensitive Sites Map:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	ESA Name	Data Source
Not shown	1061	S	Upper Thames Tributaries	Natural England
Not shown	1386	S	Upper Thames Tributaries	Natural England



### 8.10 Records of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) within 2000m of the study site:

 0

 Database searched and no data found.

 8.11 Records of National Parks (NP) within 2000m of the study site:

 0

 Database searched and no data found.

 8.12 Records of Nitrate Sensitive Areas within 2000m of the study site:

 0

 Database searched and no data found.

 8.13 Records of Nitrate Vulnerable Zones within 2000m of the study site:

The following Nitrate Vulnerable Zone records produced by DEFRA are represented as polygons on the Designated Environmentally Sensitive Sites Map:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NVZ Name	Data Source
2	0	On Site	Existing	DEFRA
3	55	Ν	New	DEFRA
Not shown	1386	S	Existing	DEFRA
Not shown	1733	E	Existing	DEFRA

#### 8.14 Records of Green Belt land within 2000m of the study site:

Database searched and no data found.

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### 9. Natural Hazards Findings

#### 9.1 Detailed BGS GeoSure Data

BGS GeoSure Data has been searched to 50m. The data is included in tabular format. If you require further information on geology and ground stability, please obtain a **Groundsure Geo Insight**, available from **our website**. The following information has been found:

#### 9.1.1 Shrink Swell

What is the maximum Shrink-Swell** hazard rating identified on the study site?

The following natural subsidence information provided by the British Geological Survey is not represented on mapping:

Hazard

Ground conditions predominantly high plasticity. Do not plant or remove trees or shrubs near to buildings without expert advice about their effect and management. For new build, consideration should be given to advice published by the National House Building Council (NHBC) and the Building Research Establishment (BRE). There is a probable increase in construction cost to reduce potential shrink-swell problems. For existing property, there is a probable increase in insurance risk during droughts or where vegetation with high moisture demands is present.

#### 9.1.2 Landslides

What is the maximum Landslide* hazard rating identified on the study site?

Very Low

Moderate

The following natural subsidence information provided by the British Geological Survey is not represented on mapping:

Hazard

Slope instability problems are unlikely to be present. No special actions required to avoid problems due to landslides. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely due to potential problems with landslides.

#### 9.1.3 Soluble Rocks

What is the maximum Soluble Rocks* hazard rating identified on the study site?

Low

The following natural subsidence information provided by the British Geological Survey is not represented on mapping:

Hazard

Significant soluble rocks are present. Low possibility of subsidence occurring naturally, but may be possible in adverse conditions such as high surface or subsurface water flow. Consider implications for stability when changes to drainage or new construction are planned. For new build site investigation should consider potential for dissolution problems on the site and its surroundings. Care should be taken with local drainage into the bedrock. Some possibility groundwater pollution. For existing property possible increase in insurance risk due to soluble rocks.

* This indicates an automatically generated 50m buffer and site.



#### 9.1.4 Compressible Ground

What is the maximum Compressible Ground* hazard rating identified on the study site? Moderate

The following natural subsidence information provided by the British Geological Survey is not represented on mapping:

Hazard

Significant potential for compressibility problems. Avoid large differential loadings of ground. Do not drain or de-water ground near the property without technical advice. For new build consider possibility of compressible ground in ground investigation, construction and building design. Consider effects of groundwater changes. Extra construction costs are likely. For existing property possible increase in insurance risk from compressibility, especially if water conditions or loading of the ground change significantly.

#### 9.1.5 Collapsible Rocks

What is the maximum Collapsible Rocks* hazard rating identified on the study site?

Very Low

The following natural subsidence information provided by the British Geological Survey is not represented on mapping:

Hazard

Deposits with potential to collapse when loaded and saturated are unlikely to be present. No special ground investigation required or increased construction costs or increased financial risk due to potential problems with collapsible deposits.

#### 9.1.6 Running Sand

What is the maximum Running Sand** hazard rating identified on the study site?

Low

The following natural subsidence information provided by the British Geological Survey is not represented on mapping:

Hazard

Possibility of running sand problems after major changes in ground conditions. Normal maintenance to avoid leakage of water-bearing services or water bodies (ponds, swimming pools) should reduce likelihood of problems due to running sand. For new build consider possibility of running sand into trenches or excavations if water table is high or sandy strata are exposed to water. Avoid concentrated water inputs to site. Unlikely to be an increase in construction costs due to potential for running sand. For existing property no significant increase in insurance risk due to running sand problems is likely.

#### 9.2 Radon

#### 9.2.1 Radon Affected Areas

Is the property in a Radon Affected Area as defined by the Health Protection Agency (HPA) and if so what percentage of homes are above the Action Level? The property is not in a Radon Affected Area, as less than 1% of properties are above the Action Level.

^{*} This indicates an automatically generated 50m buffer and site.



#### 9.2.2 Radon Protection

Is the property in an area where Radon Protection are required for new properties or extensions to existing

ones as described in publication BR211 by the Building Research Establishment?

No radon protective measures are necessary.



# 10. Mining

#### 10.1 Coal Mining

Are there any coal mining areas within 75m of the study site?	
Database searched and no data found.	
10.2 Non-Coal Mining	_
Are there any Non-Coal Mining areas within 50m of the study site boundary?	
Database searched and no data found.	
10.3 Brine Affected Areas	-
Are there any brine affected areas within 75m of the study site? Guidance: No Guidance Required.	No



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### **Overview of Findings**

The Groundsure Geo Insight provides high quality geo-environmental information that allows geoenvironmental professionals and their clients to make informed decisions and be forewarned of potential ground instability problems that may affect the ground investigation, foundation design and possibly remediation options that could lead to possible additional costs.

The report is based on the BGS 1:50,000 and 1:10,000 Digital Geological Map of Great Britain, BGS Geosure data; BRITPITS database; Non-coal mining data and Borehole Records, Coal Authority data including brine extraction areas, PBA non-coal mining and natural cavities database, Johnson Poole and Bloomer mining data and Groundsure's unique database including historical surface ground and underground workings.

For further details on each dataset, please refer to each individual section in the report as listed. Where the database has been searched a numerical result will be recorded. Where the database has not been searched '-' will be recorded.

#### Section 1: Geology 1:10,000 Scale

1.1 Artificial Ground	1.1 Is there any Artificial Ground/ Made Ground present beneath the study site at 1:10,000 scale?	No
1.2 Superficial Geology and Landslips	1.2.1 Is there any Superficial Ground/Drift Geology present beneath the study site at 1:10,000 scale?*	Yes
	1.2.2 Are there any records of landslip within 500m of the study site boundary at 1:10,000 scale?	No
1.3 Bedrock, Solid Geology and Faults	1.3.1 For records of Bedrock and Solid Geology beneath the study site* see the detailed findings section.	
	1.3.2 Are there any records of faults within 500m of the study site boundary at 1:10,000 scale?	No
Section 2: Geolo	gy 1:50,000 Scale	
2.1 Artificial Ground	2.1.1 Is there any Artificial Ground/ Made Ground present beneath the study site?	No
	2.1.2 Are there any records relating to permeability of artificial ground within the study site*boundary?	No
2.2 Superficial Geology and	2.2.1 Is there any Superficial Ground/Drift Geology present beneath the study site?*	Yes
Landslips	2.2.2 Are there any records of permeability of superficial ground within 500m of the study site?	Yes
	2.2.3 Are there any records of landslip within 500m of the study site boundary?	No
	2.2.4 Are there any records relating to permeability of landslips within the study site* boundary?	No



Section 2: Geolo	gy 1:50,000 Scale					
2.3 Bedrock, Solid Geology and Faults	2.3.1 For records of Bedrock and Solid Geolo site* see the detailed findings section.	ogy beneath t	he study			
	2.3.2 Are there any records relating to perm ground within the study site boundary?	drock		Yes		
	2.3.3 Are there any records of faults within 5 boundary?	00m of the s	tudy site		No	
Section 3: Rador	1					
3. Radon	3.1Is the property in a Radon Affected Area a Protection Agency (HPA) and if so what perc above the Action Level?	ea as defined by the Health The property is not in a Radon A percentage of homes are Area, as less than 1% of propert above the Action Level.			don Affected roperties are _evel.	
	3.2Radon Protection No radon protective measurn necessary.					
Section 4: Grour	nd Workings	On-site	0-50m	51-250	251-500	501-1000
4.1 Historical Surfac Scale Mapping	e Ground Working Features from Small	0	1	19	Not Searched	Not Searched
4.2 Historical Under	ground Workings from Small Scale Mapping	0	0	0	0	0
4.3 Current Ground	Workings	0	0	0	0	4
Section 5: Mining	g, Extraction & Natural Cavities	On-site	0-50m	51-250	251-500	501-1000
5.1 Historical Mining	)	0	0	0	0	0
5.2 Coal Mining		0	0	0	0	0
5.3 Johnson Poole a	nd Bloomer Mining Area	0	0	0	0	0
5.4 Non-Coal Mining	*	0	0	0	0	0
5.5 Non-Coal Mining	g Cavities	0	0	0	0	0
5.5 Natural Cavities		0	0	0	0	0

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Section 5: Mining, Extraction & Natural Cavities	On-site	0-50m	51-250	251-500	501-1000
5.6 Brine Extraction	0	0	0	0	0
5.7 Gypsum Extraction	0	0	0	0	0
5.8 Tin Mining	0	0	0	0	0
5.9 Clay Mining	0	0	0	0	0
Section 6: Natural Ground Subsidence	On-sit	te			
6.1 Shrink-Swell Clay	Modera	ite			
6.2 Landslides	Very Lo	W			
6.3 Ground Dissolution of Soluble Rocks	Low				
6.4 Compressible Deposits	Modera	ite			
6.5 Collapsible Deposits	Very Lo	W			
6.5 Running Sand	Low				
Section 7: Borehole Records	On-si	te	0-50m	5	1-250
7 BGS Recorded Boreholes	0		2		17
Section 8: Estimated Background Soil Chemistry	On-si	te	0-50m	5	1-250
8 Records of Background Soil Chemistry	12		5		0
Section 9: Railways and Tunnels	On-site	0-50m	51-250	250-500	
9.1 Tunnels	0	0	0	Not Searchec	ł
9.2 Historical Railway and Tunnel Features	0	0	15	Not Searched	ł
9.3 Historical Railways	0	0	0	Not Searchec	ł
9.4 Active Railways	0	0	12	Not Searchec	ł
9.5 Railway Projects	0	0	0	0	



### 1:10,000 Scale Availability





### Availability of 1:10,000 Scale Geology Mapping

The following information represents the availability of the key components of the 1:10,000 scale geological data.

ID	Distance	Artificial Coverage	Superficial Coverage	Bedrock Coverage	Mass Movement Coverage
1	0.0	Some deposits are mapped	Full	Full	No coverage
N2	1386.0	Some deposits are mapped	Full	Full	No coverage
N3	1733.0	No deposits are mapped	No coverage	No coverage	No coverage

Guidance: The 1:10,000 scale geological interpretation is the most detailed generally available from BGS and is the scale at which most geological surveying is carried out in the field. The database is presented as four types of geology (artificial, mass movement, superficial and bedrock), although not all themes are mapped or available on every map sheet. Therefore a coverage layer showing the availability of the four themes is presented above.

The definitions of coverage are as follows:

Geology	Full Coverage	Partial Coverage	No Coverage	
Bedrock	The whole tile has been mapped	Some but not all the tile has been mapped	No coverage	
Superficial	The whole tile has been mapped	Some but not all of the tile has been mapped	No coverage	
Artificial	Some deposits are mapped on this tile	-	No deposits are mapped	
Mass Movement	Some deposits are mapped on this tile	-	No coverage	



## 1 Geology (1:10,000 scale). 1.1 Artificial Ground Map (1:10,000 scale)





### 1. Geology 1:10,000 scale

#### 1.1 Artificial Ground

The following geological information represented on the mapping is derived from 1:10,000 scale BGS Geological mapping.

Are there any records of Artificial/ Made Ground within 500m of the study site boundary at 1:10,000 scale? Yes

ID	Distance	Direction	LEX Code	Description	Rock Description
1	1.0	NE	MGR-ARTDP	Made Ground (Undivided)	Artificial Deposit



### 1.2 Superficial Deposits and Landslips Map (1:10,000 scale)



Artificial Ground Legend

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### 1.2 Superficial Deposits and Landslips

The following geological information represented on the mapping is derived from 1:10,000 scale BGS Geological mapping

#### 1.2.1 Superficial Deposits/ Drift Geology

Are there any records of Superficial Deposits/ Drift Geology within 500m of the study site boundary at 1:10,000 scale? Yes

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	LEX Code	Description	<b>Rock Description</b>
1	0.0	On Site	ALV-CSV	Alluvium - Sandy Gravelly Clay	Clay, Sandy, Gravelly
2	4.0	S	RTD1-XSV	River Terrace Deposits, 1 - Sand And Gravel	Sand And Gravel
3	400.0	SW	RTD1-XSV	River Terrace Deposits, 1 - Sand And Gravel	Sand And Gravel

#### 1.2.2 Landslip

Are there any records of Landslip within 500m of the study site boundary at 1:10,000 scale?

No

#### Database searched and no data found.

The geology map for the site and surrounding area are extracted from the BGS Digital Geological Map of Great Britain at 1:10,000 scale

This Geology shows the main components as discrete layers, these are: Artificial / Made Ground, Superficial / Drift Geology and Landslips. These are all displayed with the BGS Lexicon code for the rock unit and BGS sheet number. Not all of the main geological components have nationwide coverage.



### 1.3 Bedrock and Faults Map (1:10,000 scale)



**Bedrock and Faults Legend** 

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Search Buffers (m)



### **1.3 Bedrock and Faults**

The following geological information represented on the mapping is derived from 1:10,000 scale BGS Geological mapping.

#### 1.3.1 Bedrock/ Solid Geology

Records of Bedrock/Solid Geology within 500m of the study site boundary at 1:10,000 scale.

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	LEX Code	Description	Rock Age
1	0.0	On Site	KLC-MDST	Kellaways Clay Member - Mudstone	Callovian Age
2	0.0	On Site	CB-LMST	Cornbrash Formation - Limestone	Callovian Age - Bathonian Age
3	228.0	S	KLS-SDSL	Kellaways Sand Member - Sandstone And Siltstone, Interbedded	Callovian Age
4	336.0	Ν	FMB-LSMD	Forest Marble Formation - Interbedded Limestone And Mudstone	Bathonian Age
5	417.0	SE	PET-MDST	Peterborough Member - Mudstone	Callovian Age

#### 1.3.2 Faults

Are there any records of Faults within 500m of the study site boundary at 1:10,000 scale?

No

Database searched and no data found at this scale.

The geology map for the site and surrounding area are extracted from the BGS Digital Geological Map of great Britain at 1:10,000 scale.

This Geology shows the main components as discrete layers, these are: Bedrock/ Solid Geology and linear features such as Faults. These are all displayed with the BGS Lexicon code for the rock unit and BGS sheet number. Not all of the main geological components have nationwide coverage.



### 2 Geology 1:50,000 Scale 2.1 Artificial Ground Map







Yes

### 2. Geology 1:50,000 scale

#### 2.1 Artificial Ground

The following geological information represented on the mapping is derived from 1:50,000 scale BGS Geological mapping, Sheet No: 219

#### 2.1.1 Artificial/ Made Ground

Are there any records of Artificial/ Made Ground within 500m of the study site boundary?

Distance<br/>(m)DirectionLEX CodeDescriptionRock Description1229.0SMGR-MGRDMADE GROUND (UNDIVIDED)ARTIFICIAL DEPOSIT

#### 2.1.2 Permeability of Artificial Ground

Are there any records relating to permeability of artificial ground within the study site boundary? No



### 2.2 Superficial Deposits and Landslips Map (1:50,000 scale)



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# 2.2 Superficial Deposits and Landslips

#### 2.2.1 Superficial Deposits/ Drift Geology

Are there any records of Superficial Deposits/ Drift Geology within 500m of the study site boundary? Yes

	ID	Distance	Direction	LEX Code	Description	<b>Rock Description</b>
	1	0.0	On Site	ALV	ALLUVIUM	CLAY, SILT, SAND AND GRAVEL [UNLITHIFIED DEPOSITS CODING SCHEME]
	2	1.0	S	RTD1	RIVER TERRACE DEPOSITS, 1	SAND AND GRAVEL [UNLITHIFIED DEPOSITS CODING SCHEME]
	3	399.0	SW	RTD1	RIVER TERRACE DEPOSITS, 1	SAND AND GRAVEL [UNLITHIFIED DEPOSITS CODING SCHEME]
3				DEPOSITS, 1	DEPOSITS CODIN SCHEME]	

#### 2.2.2 Permeability of Superficial Ground

Are there any records relating to permeability of superficial ground within the study site boundary? Yes

 Distance (m)	Direction	Flow Type	Maximum Permeability	Minimum Permeability
0.0	On Site	Intergranular	High	Very Low
1.0	S	Intergranular	Very High	High

#### 2.2.3 Landslip

Are there any records of Landslip within 500m of the study site boundary?

No

#### Database searched and no data found.

The geology map for the site and surrounding area are extracted from the BGS Digital Geological Map of Great Britain at 1:50,000 scale.

This Geology shows the main components as discrete layers, there are: Artificial/ Made Ground, Superficial/ Drift Geology and Landslips. These are all displayed with the BGS Lexicon code for the rock unit and BGS sheet number. Not all of the main geological components have nationwide coverage.



#### 2.2.4 Landslip Permeability

Are there any records relating to permeability of landslips within the study site boundary? No



### 2.3 Bedrock and Faults Map (1:50,000 scale)



Ground Workings Legend

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Search Buffers (m)



The following geological information represented on the mapping is derived from 1:50,000 scale BGS Geological mapping, Sheet No: 219

#### 2.3.1 Bedrock/Solid Geology

Records of Bedrock/Solid Geology within 500m of the study site boundary:

 ID	Distance	Direction	LEX Code	Rock Description	Rock Age
1	0.0	On Site	KLC-MDST	Kellaways Clay Member - Mudstone	Callovian
 2	2 0.0 On Site (		CB-LMST	Cornbrash Formation - Limestone	Callovian / Bathonian
3	228.0	S	KLS-SDSL	Kellaways Sand Member - Sandstone And Siltstone, Interbedded	Callovian
4	338.0	Ν	FMB-LSMD	Forest Marble Formation - Limestone And Mudstone, Interbedded	Bathonian
5	417.0	SE	PET-MDST	Peterborough Member - Mudstone	Callovian

#### 2.3.2 Permeability of Bedrock Ground

Are there any records relating to permeability of bedrock ground within the study site boundary? Yes

Distanc e	Direction	Flow Type	Maximum Permeability	Minimum Permeability
0.0	On Site	Fracture	Very High	High
0.0	On Site	Fracture	Low	Very Low

#### 2.3.3 Faults

Are there any records of Faults within 500m of the study site boundary?

No

Database searched and no data found.

The geology map for the site and surrounding area are extracted from the BGS Digital Geological Map of Great Britain at 1:50,000 scale.

This Geology shows the main components as discrete layers, these are: Bedrock/Solid Geology and linear features such as Faults. These are all displayed with the BGS Lexicon code for the rock unit and BGS sheet number. Not all of the main geological components have nation wide coverage.



### 3 Radon Data

#### 3.1 Radon Affected Areas

Is the property in a Radon Affected Area as defined by the Health Protection Agency (HPA) and if so what percentage of homes are above the Action Level? The property is not in a Radon Affected Area, as less than 1% of properties are above the Action Level.

#### 3.2 Radon Protection

Is the property in an area where Radon Protection are required for new properties or extensions to existing ones as described in publication BR211 by the Building Research Establishment? No radon protective measures are necessary.



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### **4 Ground Workings**

#### 4.1 Historical Surface Ground Working Features derived from Historical Mapping

This dataset is based on Groundsure's unique Historical Land Use Database derived from 1:10,560 and 1:10,000 scale historical mapping

Are there any Historical Surface Ground Working Features within 250m of the study site boundary? Yes

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Use	Date
1	22.0	S	458241 221515	Unspecified Heap	1950
2	106.0	SE	458371 221492	Cuttings	1880
3	130.0	S	458117 221369	Unspecified Heap	1950
4	163.0	S	458049 221314	Pond	1880
5A	188.0	S	457909 221207	Ponds	1995
6A	188.0	S	457909 221207	Ponds	1985
7B	199.0	S	458051 221163	Sewage Works	1995
8B	199.0	S	458051 221163	Sewage Works	1985
9	202.0	S	457988 221272	Unspecified Heap	1950
10	204.0	S	458009 221279	Sewage Tank	1880
11C	210.0	S	458293 221325	Pond	1985
12C	210.0	S	458293 221325	Pond	1995
13C	210.0	S	458293 221325	Pond	1970
14D	215.0	S	458117 221286	Sewage Tank	1898
15D	215.0	S	458117 221286	Sewage Tank	1919
16D	215.0	S	458117 221286	Sewage Tank	1879
17B	231.0	S	458056 221176	Sewage Farm	1970
18E	234.0	NE	458472 221691	Unspecified Heap	1879
19E	234.0	NE	458472 221691	Unspecified Heap	1919
20E	234.0	NE	458472 221691	Unspecified Heap	1898



#### 4.2 Historical Underground Working Features derived from Historical Mapping

This data is derived from the Groundsure unique Historical Land Use Database. It contains data derived from 1:10,000 and 1:10,560 historical Ordnance Survey Mapping and includes some natural topographical features (Shake Holes for example) as well as manmade features that may have implications for ground stability. Underground and mining features have been identified from surface features such as shafts. The distance that these extend underground is not shown.

Are there any Historical Underground Working Features within 1000m of the study site boundary? No

Database searched and no data found.

#### 4.3 Current Ground Workings

This dataset is derived from the BGS BRITPITS database covering active; inactive mines; quarries; oil wells; gas wells and mineral wharves; and rail deposits throughout the British Isles.

Are there any BGS Current Ground Workings within 1000m of the study site boundary?

Yes

The following Current Ground Workings information is provided by British Geological Survey:

ID	Distanc e (m)	Direction	NGR	Commodity Produced	Pit Name	Type of working	Status
Not shown	742.0	NE	458929 221890	Clay & Shale	The Priory	A surface mineral working. It may be termed Quarry, Sand Pit, Clay Pit or Opencast Coal Site	Ceased
Not shown	808.0	SW	457118 220789	Clay & Shale	Promised-land Farm	A surface mineral working. It may be termed Quarry, Sand Pit, Clay Pit or Opencast Coal Site	Ceased
Not shown	919.0	SW	457051 220699	Clay & Shale	Promised-land Farm	A surface mineral working. It may be termed Quarry, Sand Pit, Clay Pit or Opencast Coal Site	Ceased
Not shown	998.0	S	457965 220435	Limestone	Langford Lane	A surface mineral working. It may be termed Quarry, Sand Pit, Clay Pit or Opencast Coal Site	Ceased



### 5 Mining, Extraction & Natural Cavities Map





### 5 Mining, Extraction & Natural Cavities

#### 5.1 Historical Mining

This dataset is derived from Groundsure unique Historical Land-use Database that are indicative of mining or extraction activities.

Are there any Historical Mining areas within 1000m of the study site boundary?

No

Database searched and no data found.

#### 5.2 Coal Mining

This dataset provides information as to whether the study site lies within a known coal mining affected area as defined by the coal authority.

Are there any Coal Mining areas within 1000m of the study site boundary?

No

Database searched and no data found.

#### 5.3 Johnson Poole and Bloomer

This dataset provides information as to whether the study site lies within an area where JPB hold information relating to mining.

Are there any JPB Mining areas within 1000m of the study site boundary?

No

The following information provided by JPB is not represented on mapping: Database searched and no data found.

#### 5.4 Non-Coal Mining

This dataset provides information as to whether the study site lies within an area which may have been subject to non-coal historic mining.

Are there any Non-Coal Mining areas within 1000m of the study site boundary?

No



#### 5.5 Non-Coal Mining Cavities

This dataset provides information from the Peter Brett Associates (PBA) mining cavities database (compiled for the national study entitled "Review of mining instability in Great Britain, 1990" PBA has also continued adding to this database) on mineral extraction by mining.

Are there any Non-Coal Mining cavities within 1000m of the study site boundary?

Database searched and no data found.

#### **5.6 Natural Cavities**

This dataset provides information based on Peter Brett Associates natural cavities database.

Are there any Natural Cavities within 1000m of the study site boundary?

No

No

No

No

Database searched and no data found.

#### **5.7 Brine Extraction**

This data provides information from the Coal Authority issued on behalf of the Cheshire Brine Subsidence Compensation Board.

Are there any Brine Extraction areas within 1000m of the study site boundary?

Database searched and no data found.

#### 5.8 Gypsum Extraction

This dataset provides information on Gypsum extraction from British Gypsum records.

Are there any Gypsum Extraction areas within 1000m of the study site boundary?

Database searched and no data found.

#### 5.9 Tin Mining

This dataset provides information on tin mining areas and is derived from tin mining records. This search is based upon postcode information to a sector level..

Are there any Tin Mining areas within 1000m of the study site boundary?

No



#### 5.10 Clay Mining

This dataset provides information on Kaolin and Ball Clay mining from relevant mining records.

Are there any Clay Mining areas within 1000m of the study site boundary?

No



### 6 Natural Ground Subsidence 6.1 Shrink-Swell Clay Map





### 6.2 Landslides Map



Very Low

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### 6.3 Ground Dissolution of Soluble Rocks Map



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### 6.4 Compressible Deposits Map




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# 6.5 Collapsible Deposits Map







# 6.6 Running Sand Map







# 6 Natural Ground Subsidence

The National Ground Subsidence rating is obtained through the 6 natural ground stability hazard datasets, which are supplied by the British Geological Survey (BGS).

The following GeoSure data represented on the mapping is derived from the BGS Digital Geological map of Great Britain at 1:50,000 scale.

What is the maximum hazard rating of natural subsidence within the study site** boundary? Moderate

### 6.1 Shrink-Swell Clays

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Hazard Rating	Details
1	0.0	On Site	Negligible	Ground conditions predominantly non-plastic. No special actions required to avoid problems due to shrink-swell clays. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely likely due to potential problems with shrink-swell clays.
2	0.0	On Site	Very Low	Ground conditions predominantly low plasticity. No special actions required to avoid problems due to shrink-swell clays. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely due to potential problems with shrink-swell clays.
3	0.0	On Site	Negligible	Ground conditions predominantly non-plastic. No special actions required to avoid problems due to shrink-swell clays. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely likely due to potential problems with shrink-swell clays.
4	0.0	On Site	Moderate	Ground conditions predominantly high plasticity. Do not plant or remove trees or shrubs near to buildings without expert advice about their effect and management. For new build, consideration should be given to advice published by the National House Building Council (NHBC) and the Building Research Establishment (BRE). There is a probable increase in construction cost to reduce potential shrink-swell problems. For existing property, there is a probable increase in insurance risk during droughts or where vegetation with high moisture demands is present.

The following Shrink Swell information provided by the British Geological Survey:

^{*} This includes an automatically generated 50m buffer zone around the site



### 6.2 Landslides

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Hazard Rating	Details
1	0.0	On Site	Very Low	Slope instability problems are unlikely to be present. No special actions required to avoid problems due to landslides. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely due to potential problems with landslides.

The following Landslides information provided by the British Geological Survey:

### 6.3 Ground Dissolution of Soluble Rocks

The following Ground Dissolution information provided by the British Geological Survey:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Hazard Rating	Details
1	0.0	On Site	Very Low	Significant soluble rocks are present. Problems unlikely except with considerable surface or subsurface water flow. No special actions required to avoid problems due to soluble rocks. No special ground investigation required or increased construction costs are likely. An increase in financial risk due to potential problems with soluble rocks is unlikely.
2	0.0	On Site	Negligible	Soluble rocks are present, but unlikely to cause problems except under exceptional conditions. No special actions required to avoid problems due to soluble rocks. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely due to potential problems with soluble rocks.
3	0.0	On Site	Very Low	Significant soluble rocks are present. Problems unlikely except with considerable surface or subsurface water flow. No special actions required to avoid problems due to soluble rocks. No special ground investigation required or increased construction costs are likely. An increase in financial risk due to potential problems with soluble rocks is unlikely.
4	0.0	On Site	Low	Significant soluble rocks are present. Low possibility of subsidence occurring naturally, but may be possible in adverse conditions such as high surface or subsurface water flow. Consider implications for stability when changes to drainage or new construction are planned. For new build - site investigation should consider potential for dissolution problems on the site and its surroundings. Care should be taken with local drainage into the bedrock. Some possibility groundwater pollution. For existing property - possible increase in insurance risk due to soluble rocks.

### **6.4 Compressible Deposits**

The following Compressible Deposits information provided by the British Geological Survey:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Hazard Rating	Details
1	0.0	On Site	Negligible	No indicators for compressible deposits identified. No special actions required to avoid problems due to compressible deposits. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely due to potential problems with compressible deposits.

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Distance (m)	Direction	Hazard Rating	Details
0.0	On Site	Negligible	No indicators for compressible deposits identified. No special actions required to avoid problems due to compressible deposits. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely due to potential problems with compressible deposits.
0.0	On Site	Moderate	Significant potential for compressibility problems. Avoid large differential loadings of ground. Do not drain or de-water ground near the property without technical advice. For new build - consider possibility of compressible ground in ground investigation, construction and building design. Consider effects of groundwater changes. Extra construction costs are likely. For existing property - possible increase in insurance risk from compressibility, especially if water conditions or loading of the ground change significantly.
	Distance (m) 0.0 0.0	Distance (m)     Direction       0.0     On Site       0.0     On Site	Distance (m)     Direction     Hazard Rating       0.0     On Site     Negligible       0.0     On Site     Moderate

### 6.5 Collapsible Deposits

The following Collapsible Rocks information provided by the British Geological Survey:

ID	Distanc (m)	^e Direction	Hazard Rating	Details
1	0.0	On Site	Very Low	Deposits with potential to collapse when loaded and saturated are unlikely to be present. No special ground investigation required or increased construction costs or increased financial risk due to potential problems with collapsible deposits.
2	0.0	On Site	Negligible	No indicators for collapsible deposits identified. No actions required to avoid problems due to collapsible deposits. No special ground investigation required, or increased construction costs or increased financial risk due to potential problems with collapsible deposits.
3	0.0	On Site	Very Low	Deposits with potential to collapse when loaded and saturated are unlikely to be present. No special ground investigation required or increased construction costs or increased financial risk due to potential problems with collapsible deposits.

### 6.6 Running Sands

The following Running Sands information provided by the British Geological Survey:

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Hazard Rating	Details
1	0.0	On Site	Low	Possibility of running sand problems after major changes in ground conditions. Normal maintenance to avoid leakage of water-bearing services or water bodies (ponds, swimming pools) should reduce likelihood of problems due to running sand. For new build - consider possibility of running sand into trenches or excavations if water table is high or sandy strata are exposed to water. Avoid concentrated water inputs to site. Unlikely to be an increase in construction costs due to potential for running sand. For existing property - no significant increase in insurance risk due to running sand problems is likely.
2	0.0	On Site	Negligible	No indicators for running sand identified. No special actions required to avoid problems due to running sand. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely due to potential problems with running sand.
3	0.0	On Site	Negligible	No indicators for running sand identified. No special actions required to avoid problems due to running sand. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely due to potential problems with running sand.
4	1.0	S	Very Low	Very low potential for running sand problems if water table rises or if sandy strata are exposed to water. No special actions required, to avoid problems due to running sand. No special ground investigation required, and increased construction costs or increased financial risks are unlikely due to potential problems with running sand.





## 7 Borehole Records Map



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Search Buffers (m)



## 7 Borehole Records

The systematic analysis of data extracted from the BGS Borehole Records database provides the following information.

Records of boreholes within 250m of the study site boundary:

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ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	BGS Reference	Drilled Length	Borehole Name
1	8.0	NW	457777 221902	SP52SE88	0.0	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS TP 2
2	25.0	NW	457745 221904	SP52SE87	1.0	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS TP 1
3	88.0	NE	458136 221748	SP52SE90	5.0	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS 4
4	125.0	NE	458318 221670	SP52SE91	6.2	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS 5
5	138.0	E	457949 221847	SP52SE89	1.0	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS TP 3
6	158.0	NE	458350 221688	SP52SE92	6.0	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS 6
7A	170.0	S	458270 221380	SP52SE82	8.0	SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS BH421/8
8A	170.0	S	458270 221380	SP52SE80	9.0	SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS BH421/6
9A	170.0	S	458270 221380	SP52SE75	6.0	SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS BH421/1
10A	170.0	S	458270 221380	SP52SE79	10.2	SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS BH421/5
11A	170.0	S	458270 221380	SP52SE77	7.2	SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS BH421/3
12A	170.0	S	458270 221380	SP52SE76	6.0	SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS BH421/2
13A	170.0	S	458270 221380	SP52SE81	10.0	SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS BH421/7
14A	170.0	S	458270 221380	SP52SE78	11.0	SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS BH421/4
15B	178.0	NE	458430 221626	SP52SE93	7.4	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS 7
16B	194.0	NE	458445 221630	SP52SE94	15.45	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS 8
17C	195.0	E	458456 221600	SP52SE95	25.0	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS 9
18C	206.0	E	458465 221610	SP52SE96	7.95	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS 10
19	248.0	E	458514 221536	SP52SE98	8.35	BICESTER SOUTHERN BYPASS 12



The borehole records are available using the hyperlinks below: Please note that if the donor of the borehole record has requested the information be held as commercial-in-confidence, the additional data will be held separately by the BGS and a formal request must be made for its release.

#1: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336788 #2: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336787 #3: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336790 #4: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi scans/boreholes/336791 #5: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi scans/boreholes/336789 #6: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336792 #7A: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336782 #8A: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336780 #9A: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336775 #10A: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336779 #11A: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336777 #12A: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336776 #13A: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336781 #14A: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi scans/boreholes/336778 #15B: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336793 #16B: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336794 #17C: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336795 #18C: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336796 #19: scans.bgs.ac.uk/sobi_scans/boreholes/336798



# 8 Estimated Background Soil Chemistry

Records of background estimated soil chemistry within 250m of the study site boundary:

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For further information on how this data is calculated and limitations upon its use, please see the Groundsure Geo Insight User Guide, available on request.

Distance (m)	Direction	Sample Type	Arsenic (As)	Cadmium (Cd)	Chromium (Cr)	Nickel (Ni)	Lead (Pb)
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	15 - 25 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	30 - 45 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	15 - 25 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	90 - 120 mg/kg	30 - 45 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	15 - 25 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	90 - 120 mg/kg	30 - 45 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	15 - 25 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	30 - 45 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	15 - 25 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	30 - 45 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	15 - 25 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	30 - 45 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	15 - 25 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	30 - 45 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	<15 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	15 - 30 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	<15 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	15 - 30 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	15 - 25 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	30 - 45 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	<15 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	15 - 30 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
0.0	On Site	RuralSoil	<15 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	15 - 30 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
1.0	S	RuralSoil	<15 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	15 - 30 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
1.0	S	RuralSoil	15 - 25 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	15 - 30 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
1.0	SW	RuralSoil	<15 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	15 - 30 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
17.0	S	RuralSoil	15 - 25 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	90 - 120 mg/kg	30 - 45 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg
42.0	NW	RuralSoil	<15 mg/kg	<1.8 mg/kg	60 - 90 mg/kg	15 - 30 mg/kg	<100 mg/kg

*As this data is based upon underlying 1:50,000 scale geological information, a 50m buffer has been added to the search radius.



# 9 Railways and Tunnels Map





# 9 Railways and Tunnels

### 9.1 Tunnels

This data is derived from OpenStreetMap and provides information on the possible locations of underground railway systems in the UK - the London Underground, the Tyne & Wear Metro and the Glasgow Subway.

Have any underground railway lines been identified within the study site boundary?	No
Have any underground railway lines been identified within 250m of the study site boundary?	No
Database searched and no data found.	
Any records that have been identified are represented on the Railways and Tunnels Map.	

This data is derived from Ordnance Survey mapping and provides information on the possible locations of railway tunnels forming part of the UK overground railway network.

Have any other railway tunnels been identified within the site boundary?	No

Have any other railway tunnels been identified within 250m of the site boundary? No

Database searched and no data found.

Any records that have been identified are represented on the Railways and Tunnels Map.

### 9.2 Historical Railway and Tunnel Features

This data is derived from Groundsure's unique Historical Land-use Database and contains features relating to tunnels, railway tracks or associated works that have been identified from historical Ordnance Survey mapping.

Have any historical railway or tunnel features been identified within the study site boundary? No

Have any historical railway or tunnel features been identified within 250m of the study site boundary? Yes

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Details	Date
5B	115	SE	458371 221497	Railway Sidings	1995
6B	115	SE	458371 221497	Railway Sidings	1996
7B	115	SE	458371 221497	Railway Sidings	1996
8	150	E	n/a	Railway	1922
1A	172	S	457851 220688	Railway Sidings	1985
2A	172	S	457851 220688	Railway Sidings	1966



ID	Distance (m)	Direction	NGR	Details	Date
3A	172	S	457851 220688	Railway Sidings	1970
4A	172	S	457851 220688	Railway Sidings	1995
9	178	E	n/a	Railway	1881
10	181	E	n/a	Railway	1875
11C	211	S	457963 221249	Railway Sidings	1995
12C	211	S	457963 221249	Railway Sidings	1995
13D	213	S	458177 221166	Railway Sidings	1992
14D	213	S	458177 221166	Railway Sidings	1986
15	216	S	458253 221322	Railway Sidings	1966

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### 9.3 Historical Railways

This data is derived from OpenStreetMap and provides information on the possible alignments of abandoned or dismantled railway lines in proximity to the study site.

Have any historical railway lines been identified within the study site boundary?		
Have any historical railway lines been identified within 250m of the study site boundary?	No	
Database searched and no data found.		
Multiple sections of the same track may be listed in the detail above		

Any records that have been identified are represented on the Railways and Tunnels Map.

### 9.4 Active Railways

These datasets are derived from Ordnance Survey mapping and OpenStreetMap and provide information on the possible locations of active railway lines in proximity to the study site.

Have any active railway lines been identified within the study site boundary?	No
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Have any active railway lines been identified within 250m of the study site boundary?	Yes
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Distance (m)	Direction	Name	Туре
111	SE	Not given	Rail
111	SE	Not given	Rail
116	SE	Not given	Multi Track
116	SE	Not given	Multi Track
190	E	Not given	Multi Track
190	E	Not given	Multi Track
197	S	Not given	Multi Track
197	S	Not given	Multi Track
197	S	Not given	Multi Track
197	S	Not given	Multi Track



Distance (m)	Direction	Name	Туре
 200	S	Bicester Military Railway	Rail
200	S	Bicester Military Railway	Rail

Multiple sections of the same track may be listed in the detail above Any records that have been identified are represented on the Railways and Tunnels Map.

### 9.5 Railway Projects

These datasets provide information on the location of large scale railway projects High Speed 2 and Crossrail 1.

Is the study site within 5km of the route of the High Speed 2 rail project?	No
Is the study site within 500m of the route of the Crossrail 1 rail project?	No

Further information on proximity to these routes, the project construction status and associated works can be obtained through the purchase of a Groundsure HS2 and Crossrail 1 Report.

The route data has been digitised from publicly available maps by Groundsure. The route as provided relates to the Crossrail 1 project only, and does not include any details of the Crossrail 2 project, as final details of the route for Crossrail 2 are still under consultation.

Please note that this assessment takes account of both the original Phase 2b proposed route and the amended route proposed in 2016. As the Phase 2b route is still under consultation, Groundsure are providing information on both options until the final route is formally confirmed. Practitioners should take account of this uncertainty when advising clients.



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 Map Name: National Grid Map date: 1995

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