

Appendix 6

Consultation Responses



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Dear Sir/ Madam

RE: Contaminated Land Enquiry – Land Off Hough Lane, Wombwell

Further to our enquiry in respect of the above property, I can now supply you with the information we hold regarding this site.

With regards the prior use of the site, it is believed to have been occupied by Galglass Ltd since 1989, primarily concerned with the manufacture and installation of galvanised steel and fibreglass tanks and containers. There is also likely to have been associated engineering work, fuel and lubricant oil storage, though I am unable to locate any records describing the activity on the site or the location of specific installations in any great detail. The site was taken over by Balmoral Tanks in 2014, but there is no indication of a significant change in the nature of the activity. I have been unable to identify the occupier of the site prior to 1989.

With regards adjacent land, the most significant former use is the now redeveloped Wombwell Foundry, which lay to the west of the site. A site investigation was conducted on this site by Joynes Pike Associates in February 2006 (REF: DRS/RMB/232095.20051540) and identified several areas of soil which may have posed a risk to human health following redevelopment. These areas were associated with made ground deposits rather than specific features of the foundry. The site investigation also identified a below ground oil interceptor tank on the southern boundary of the site which was appropriately remediated during the redevelopment phase. A landfilled area was identified to the site of the current Balmoral Tanks Ltd site, which is believed to have accepted demolition waste and included some asbestos-containing material. The investigation did not identify significant gas generation or a threat to human health relating to the proposed use of the foundry site. All potential hazards identified during this site investigation were appropriately remediated and validation reports were provided to BMBC Regulatory Services.

BMBC is unaware of any radon-affected properties on or within 100 metres of the site. Please consult Public Health England and their web resource, www.ukradon.org for further information on radon risk in this area.

There are no known current or former nuisance issues, prosecutions or enforcements associated with the site or adjoining properties. There have been no recorded complaints of nuisance relating to the site since it has been operated by Balmoral Tanks Ltd. I can find record of 11 separate nuisance complaints from 3 different properties between 2000 and 2013 while the site was operated by Galglass Ltd. None of these complaints resulted in formal statutory enforcement action by BMBC.

BMBC hold no records of groundwater abstraction in the vicinity of this site. The Environment Agency, Yorkshire Water or the British Geological Survey may hold additional information on this matter, please contact them directly.

BMBC does not routinely hold information relating to the details of overground or underground storage tanks and other than the oil interceptor tank identified on the site investigation previously mentioned, I am unable to provide information above that available on historical maps.

I must inform you that the Council make a charge for supplying this information and you have already been invoiced accordingly. This charge will be £100.00 as agreed.

This information is submitted as being the position to-date and other information may be available in records not held by this Authority at the present time. The Borough Council cannot, therefore accept liability or be prejudiced by the views expressed.

Should you wish to discuss this correspondence further, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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