

Subject: Southmere Farm Contamination Reports

Good afternoon,

I am emailing in regards to your comments on the Phase 2 Site Investigation Report and Phase 3 Remedial Strategy Report for the site Southmere Farm, The Mallards, Havant.

In terms of the soils, one exceedance was encountered in terms of lead in the Made Ground of TP04, which we considered to be localised. A validation report (YE7106.1) has recently been submitted, in which the recommended remedial works were carried out in terms of hotspot delineation of TP04. Validation testing of the sides and base of the excavation were returned with no exceedances, which supports our hypothesis that the initial exceedance of lead was localised, and additionally provides further sampling data showing no further exceedances within the Made Ground. In addition, the obstruction mentioned in your comment was not concrete, but large gravels.

In regards to the groundwater, we understand that the borehole is still in place, and therefore propose that another groundwater sample is taken in order to more accurately be able to characterise whether the TPH exceedance is still present and whether it originated from on or off site. Please can you confirm whether this approach is acceptable? The borehole log has been attached to this email for your reference.

Regards

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