

Appendix D. GENERAL NOTES AND LIMITATIONS

General Notes

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All assessments and recommendations should be forwarded to the relevant planning authorities for comment and approval prior to implementation.

Phase I Assessments

Phase I desk study reports are largely based on data supplied by third parties and is therefore interpreted in accordance with the guidance notes and limitations provided by the data supplier.

Site walkover comments are based on simple observation by the Engineer and do not include extensive environmental, geotechnical, or structural surveys.

Phase II Assessments

Phase II site investigation reports are based on the ground and groundwater conditions encountered in the exploratory holes, together with the results of field and laboratory testing in the context of the proposed development. There may be special conditions appertaining to the site, which have not been revealed by the investigation and which may not have been taken into account in the report. RRG cannot be responsible for any changes in ground conditions following completion of fieldwork (e.g. subsequent spillages, leakages, excavations, etc. on or adjacent to the site).

Positioning of exploratory holes depends on the existence of utility services, existing structures, and / or access restrictions.

Methods of design and/or construction other than those proposed or referred to in the report may require consideration during the evolution of the proposals and if this is the case further assessment of the geotechnical data appropriate to these methods would be required.

The accuracy of results reported depends upon the technique of measurement, investigation, and test used and these values should not be regarded necessarily as characteristics of the strata as a whole.

The evaluation and conclusions do not preclude the variation in ground conditions between the test holes. Hence this report should be used in this context and not be construed necessarily as a comprehensive characterisation of the entire site conditions.

The samples selected for environmental and geotechnical laboratory testing are prepared and tested by an UKAS accredited and when possible or necessary MCERTS accredited external laboratory.

Any unavoidable variations from specified procedures are identified in the report.

Whilst reports may have expressed an opinion on possible configurations of strata between or beyond exploratory holes, or on the possible presence of features based on visual, verbal, written, cartographical, photographic, or published evidence, this is for guidance only and no liability can be accepted for its accuracy.

Ground conditions should be monitored during the construction of the works by ground-workers and the recommendations of the report re-evaluated as necessary.

Any comments on groundwater conditions have been based on observations made at the time of the investigation, unless specifically stated otherwise. It should be noted, however, that the observations are subject to the method and speed of boring, drilling, or excavation and that groundwater levels will vary due to seasonal effects and rainfall.

Where the investigation has taken account of possible effects of gases from fill or natural sources within, below, or outside the site, assessment has been based on current guidance provided by the CIRIA 665 Publication.

Unless specifically stated, the investigation has not taken account of any environmental soil or water guideline values other than the current and approved guideline values for the United Kingdom. Where these are not available, others such as the Canadian Environmental Guidelines, the US EPA guidelines and/or European Union Drinking Water Standards may be used as indicative only.

Site-specific assessment criteria values have been calculated using the current CLEA UK model V1.07, published by the Environment Agency in 2015.