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Attachments: P2197 EA Comment 250729.pdf, P2197 EA Comment 250424.pdf

Afternoon Amanda,

Having received the latest comments from the Environmental Agency (**dated 29 July 2025**) we question whether our submissions have been read in full.

For consistency, please find in the link the reports provided to overcome the previous comments (dated 24 April 2025).

Link:

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/q4k6w4be6s7hbdog4ckzb/ALjRMXJN9FlpPUsQRkDtQQs?rlkey=asI5xxjecrllf7ajglrb00pcl&st=jmy1413r&dl=0>

We would also like to address the apparent oversight regarding the Southern Testing reports and the concerns raised about the underlying ground areas, which are to be decommissioned, demolished, and removed. These reports, which form a crucial part of our submission, detail the existing site conditions and are integral in assessing any potential contamination risks associated with the proposed development. It appears that these reports have not been fully considered in the context of the Environment Agency's recent comments. We would be grateful for clarification on why these reports have not been reviewed and whether there are specific concerns regarding the underlying ground areas that need further attention.

To clarify, we can confirm that no demolition will be taking place on the site, and all existing buildings will remain as they are. While we are proposing new hard surfacing, this will be laid on top of the existing site, with no changes to the underlying structure. As such, we believe that no further details on remediation are required, as we are working with the current site conditions and no new structures are being introduced that would necessitate remediation works.

In relation to contamination, we are happy to address these matters through a suitably worded planning condition. We will ensure that any necessary actions are undertaken to mitigate contamination risks, as advised by the Environment Agency, and that proper drainage systems are in place.

I trust this address outstanding issues and I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards

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