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Dear Sam,

Environmental Health have reviewed the Leap Environmental letter report, dated 10.02.26, and we have the following comments to make.

1. We have reviewed the borehole logs and we note that some deeper pockets of made ground were detected – 1.20m in WS02, 1.50m in TP05 and 1.30m in TP03. We also note that the made ground as these locations has been described as containing brick, flint, clinker, wood, plastic etc – in our view this material is potentially contaminated.
2. From reviewing the chemical test certificates we also note that the made ground material at these three locations was not subject to any chemical testing which is a concern.
3. In our view the most likely strata to be contaminated on a site such is the shallow made ground or topsoil. From comparing the chemical test certificates with the logs it would appear however that three of the six samples (TP211, TP222 and WS201) were taken from the underlying Weald clay formation and not from the overlying topsoil.
4. The comments in section 1.3.3 of the above mentioned report are noted and we accept that the desk study has not identified any significant on site sources of contamination and that in the investigations to date no elevated levels of contaminants were detected . However, given the above, the lack of sampling of shallow soils and the fact that deeper pockets of made ground soils have been found which, in our view, have not been subject to adequate investigation we are of the view that soils on this phase have not been adequately characterised and that some further investigation and chemical testing of soils is required.

Given the above unfortunately we are not in a position where we can recommend the relevant conditions for discharge.

Kind regards

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