HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Development Control
FROM:	Environmental Health and Licensing
REFERENCE:	DC/23/1524
LOCATION:	Southlands, Kent Street, Cowfold, Horsham, West Sussex, RH13 8BA
DESCRIPTION:	Proposed land improvement work
RECOMMENDATION:	Objection – further information required

MAIN COMMENTS:

We have reviewed the Environmental Assessment Services Limited Soil Analysis Results Interpretation, dated 29 June 2022, and we have the following comments to make.

1. The report provides an indication of the quality of a currently unknown quantity of material that was imported onto the above site.
2. The testing has detected elevated levels of heavy metals and asbestos – this is a concern to Environmental Health.
3. Information in the form of trial pit logs in accordance with current British Standards, photos of the arisings and material transfer notes indicating how much material has been imported onto the site have not however been provided.
4. From reviewing current aerial photography of the site, and comparing this with the sample location plan, we also have concerns that the lateral extent of the imported material has not been established.
5. Given the above it therefore not been possible for the Environmental Health to form a view as to whether sufficient testing of the imported material has been undertaken.

We are of the view that application is currently insufficiently detailed to be determined, we would welcome dialogue with the applicant and/or their consultant on the above.

ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:

N/A

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DEPARTMENT:	Environmental Health and Licensing
DATE:	20/12/2023