## Conveyancer Guidance



### Contamination Risk: FURTHER ACTION REQUIRED

The Envirosearch Residential report dated 26th October 2021 and reference 286847782\_1\_1, E848\_PO2 has been prepared for

Rathkeltair Lodge, Barton Hill Fornham St. Martin BURY ST. EDMUNDS IP31 1SN

Information made available by the St Edmundsbury Borough Council (now part of West Suffolk Council), Environmental Health & Housing Services has revealed records of landfilling on or within 25 metres of the centre of the search. This is located at Railway Cutting, Barton Hill, Bury St Edmunds. As a result there is the potential for significant ground contamination to exist beneath the site from the infill material. Landfill sites can pose significant risks including the potential for generation of methane gas, leachate and ground instability through settlement of the contents of the landfill.

The data examined in this risk assessment indicates that there may be a potential source of contamination which may have implications for the property.

In our opinion, there is the potential that the property could be described as "contaminated land" as defined by Part 2A of the EPA 1990.

The professional opinion refers to Section 1 of this report and should always be read in conjunction with the full text of that report. No physical site inspection or survey has been carried out or is proposed.

Please refer to the following 'Next Steps - Contaminated Land' pages for details on information required in order to take advantage of our free re-review service.

Approved by:

**Argyll Environmental Ltd** 



## Next Steps - Contaminated Land

We have highlighted a potential risk of contaminated land at or around the property. Details of what we need in order to re-review the property and consider issuing a Passed Certificate are shown below.

For all other environmental factors identified within this report, please refer to the 'Next Steps' detailed within the relevant section.



### What information can we accept?

### **Building Warranty Certificate**

- NHBC Certificate or Cover note dated after 1st April 1999 for the property, with confirmation from NHBC that contaminated land cover is included within the policy.
- Zurich/Premier Guarantee/Local Authority certificates with the policy schedule that shows contaminated land or environmental impairment cover is included.

### A written comment from the Environmental Health Department (Local Authority) including the following:

 A comment on the Property's potential to be investigated under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act, 1990. The comment needs to include whether or not the Property is likely to be investigated under this legislation, if so what priority it has been given, and a reason for this priority status. Please note that Local Authorities can take up to 20 working days to provide this information.

#### **Planning Department (Local Authority)**

 Planning permission for the Property including contaminated land conditions, with written confirmation from the Local Authority that these have been fully discharged. Please note, planning permission without contaminated land conditions will not be accepted.

#### Petroleum Officer (Local Authority)

 If the former use of the Property is believed to have included fuel storage, then we may well need a written comment from the petroleum licensing officer confirming the safe removal or decommissioning of these tanks. Please note, this comment will need to be in addition to the Environmental Health Officer comment detailed above

Important note: any contact with the Local Authority may have an impact on any Contaminated Land Insurance that is either currently in place or that may be purchased at a later stage.



### What do I do next?

If you have obtained any of the above further information and would like to take advantage of our free re-review service, **please send it to helpdesk@landmark.co.uk** or alternatively by post to Customer Services, Landmark Information Group, Imperium, Imperial Way, Reading, Berkshire, RG2 0TD.

## **Next Steps - Contaminated Land**

We want to make sure that you obtain and provide sufficient information, which will explain or remove any potential risk of contaminated land.

Please note that the following information is likely to be **insufficient** to enable a Passed Certificate to be issued.



### Information that is not sufficient

## NHBC certificates dated pre 1999/ for a different property

#### **Local Land Charges Search (Con 29)**

This local search states if there are any formal entries for specific recorded incidents only; it does not look at the property in any detail with regards to past land uses on the site/ in the site vicinity and the potential for contamination. The search is not sufficient to fulfil the requirements for a certificate to be issued.

#### **Geotechnical and Site Investigation Reports**

These are usually carried out to dertermine aspects such as foundation requirements for the proposed development. Whilst these provide information about ground composition, they rarely include any soil/ground testing for contaminants and do not provide information on the intentions of local authority with regard to the site.

#### Planning Conditions with no evidence of discharge

On their own, planning conditions just advise what needs to be done in order for any development to be completed. We would, therefore, also require written confirmation that all conditions regarding potential or known contamination issues have been fully discharged.

Planning permission documents that do not include conditions relating to contamination issues or remediation of the site cannot be used as evidence to suggest that this has been addressed as part of the development.



### I do not have additional information

#### **Further Reports**

If required, a follow up report can be obtained from Argyll Environmental Ltd, who will carry out further enquiries on your behalf. This report will cost £250+ VAT. This cost includes the Local Authority's own search fees and may take up to 25 working days, dependant on the Authority's response time. Please email: orders@argyllenviro.com quoting the report reference number so that we can process your request efficiently.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us on 0844 844 9966 or helpdesk@landmark.co.uk

# **Summary of Report Findings**



## Section 1: Contaminated Land

Contamination Risk	0-25m	25-250m	250-500m	See Section
Designated Contaminated Land	No	No	No	1a
Landfill and Waste	Yes	Yes	No	1b
Potentially Contaminative Activities	No	No	Yes	1c
Known Contamination Incidents	No	No	No	1d
Other Potential Contaminative Land Uses	No	Yes	n/a	1e



## Section 2: Flood

Flood Risk	0-25m	25-250m	See Section
River Flooding	No	Yes	2a
Coastal Flooding	No	No	2b
Surface Water Flooding	No	Yes	2c
Risk of Flooding from Rivers and Sea (RoFRS)	No	Yes	2d
Historic Flood Events	No	No	2e
Groundwater Flooding	Yes	No	2f



## Section 3: Energy & Infrastructure

Energy & Infrastructure	Result	See Section
New Rail Infrastructure	No	3a
Oil and Gas Exploration and Production	No	3b
Existing or Proposed Wind Farms and Wind Turbines	No	3c
Existing or Proposed Solar Farms	No	3d



## Section 4: **Ground Stability**

Ground Stability Risk	Result	See Section
Man-Made Factors	No	4a
Natural Factors	No	4b



## Section 5: Radon

Radon Risk	Result	See Section
Radon Affected Property	No	5



## Section 6: Other Influential Factors

Other Factors	Result	See Section
Overhead Power Lines	Yes	6a
Environmental Constraints	No	6b

## **Property Purchaser Guidance**



### **Understanding This Report**

The purpose of this report is to highlight any potential risk of contaminated land and identify other environmental factors at or around the property. It is necessary for your solicitor to consider these risks as part of their due diligence.

For Contaminated Land, we will state 'Passed' on the front page if our expert consultants have considered there to be no potential risk. If a potential risk of contamination is found, the report will state 'Further Action'. In this case, we include a 'Next Steps' section to help you to decide what to do next.

For all other environmental factors, we will state 'None Identified' on the front page if we consider there is little or no significant risk to the property. If a potential risk is found, we will state 'Identified' and detail the Next Steps within the relevant section of the report.

#### **Section 1: Contaminated Land**

In this section, we highlight on a map, and within our findings pages, if there are any potential contaminated land risks at or around the property. Contaminated land contains substances that are actually or potentially hazardous to health or the environment.

#### Section 2: Flood

In this section, we detail any risks of flooding at or around the property. We consider a number of factors such as river, coastal, groundwater and surface water.

#### Section 3: Energy & Infrastructure

In this section, we provide information on a variety of energy and infrastructure projects and developments which may affect the property and surrounding area, such as High Speed Rail (HS2), Crossrail 1 and 2, solar and wind farms, etc. (only wind and solar farms with a capacity to produce over 1MW of power are shown).

#### **Section 4: Ground Stability**

In this section, we identify if there are any factors present which could affect the ground stability of the property, such as coal mining activities, man-made or natural cavities.

#### Section 5: Radon

In this section, we identify if the property is located in a radon affected area. Radon is a radioactive gas, which occurs naturally in rocks and soils and may be harmful to health.

#### Section 6: Other Influential Factors

In this section, we identify factors that may have an influence on the property or surrounding area, such as overhead power lines or any environmental constraints such as national parks or conservation areas.

### **Next Steps:**

If you require any assistance, please contact our customer service team on: 0844 844 9966 or helpdesk@landmark.co.uk



## Site Location



Aerial Photograph
The photograph below shows the location of the property.

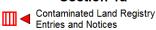




## Section 1a and 1b: Contaminated Land, Landfill and Waste

The map below shows the location of the Designated Contaminated Land and Landfill and Waste features highlighted within sections 1a and 1b of this report. Further details are shown on the following pages.





### Section 1b

Registered Landfill Sites

Registered Landfills (Potential Buffer) 

Name 

Local Authority Recorded Landfill Sites Historical Landfill Sites

Permitted Waste Sites - Authorised Landfill Site Boundaries

Environmental Permitting Regulations - Waste

Integrated Pollution Control Registered Waste Sites

Registered Waste Treatment or Disposal Sites

Registered Waste Transfer Sites

Contaminated Land Section 1



## Section 1a: Designated Contaminated Land

The data within this section tells you whether your property or surrounding area has been identified by the Local Authority as "Contaminated Land" under the Environmental Protection Act 1990. Should there be an indication of contamination, it is not necessarily a cause for concern. Your report will be assessed by our professional environmental consultants who will advise you what, if any, considerations need to be made should you proceed with the property purchase.

Enquiry				Result	
Has any contaminated land been identified within 500m of the property?				No	
Map ID	Reference	Location	Details	Distance Contact	
Contam	ninated Land Register	Entries and Notices			
	No factors identified for this property				



## Section 1b: Landfill and Waste

The information in this section is telling you about active and historic landfill and waste sites within 500 metres of the property. Having a landfill or waste site near your property does not necessarily mean that you or the property will be affected. However, it is something you need to be aware of, because landfill and waste can have a detrimental effect on the surrounding environment, house value and health. A closed landfill/waste site should be given equal consideration to an active site, because of landfill by-products. For instance, landfill with lots of organic material can continue to produce odours and gas for many years.

Enquiry				Result		
Have ar	Have any landfill and waste sites been identified within 500m of the property?			Yes	Yes	
Map ID	Reference	Location	Details	Distance	Contact	
Registe	red Landfill Sites					
	No factors identified for	or this property				
BGS Re	corded Landfill Sites					
	No factors identified for	or this property				
Local A	uthority Recorded Lan	ndfill Sites				
1	Reference: SE2	Railway Cutting Barton Hill, Bury St Edmunds	Last Reported Status: Closed Waste Text: Not Supplied Date of Closure: Not Supplied Boundary Quality: Good Positional Accuracy: Positioned by the supplier	0m	1	

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Map I	D Reference	Location	Details	Distance	Contact					
Local	Authority Recorded L	andfill Coverage								
	The following list details the Local Authorities that cover the search area who have made landfill data available									
	St Edmundsbury E	Borough Council	- Has supplied landfill data		1					
	Suffolk County Co	ouncil	- Has supplied landfill data		6					
	For further information regarding the availability of Local Authority Recorded Landfill data you may wish to forward enquiries to one or more of the contacts indicated above.									
Histo	rical Landfill Sites									
2	Name: Railway Cutting Reference: EAHLD00740	Barton Hill	Specified Waste Type: Not Supplied Date of Issue: Not Supplied First Input Date: Not Supplied Last Input Date: Not Supplied Boundary Quality: As Supplied Positional Accuracy: Positioned by the supplier	216m	2					
Perm	itted Waste Sites - Au	thorised Landfill Site	Boundaries							
	No factors identified	d for this property								
Envir	onmental Permitting	Regulations - Waste								
	No factors identified	d for this property								
Integ	rated Pollution Contro	ol Registered Waste S	iites							
	No factors identified									
Da!		,								
Kegis	stered Waste Treatmen	•								
	No factors identified	d for this property								
Regis	tered Waste Transfer	Sites								
	No factors identified	d for this property								

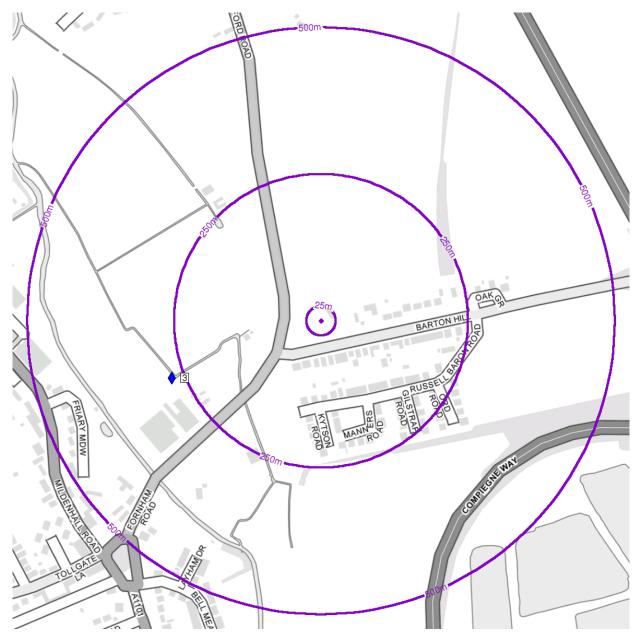
### **Next Steps**

If you would like any further information in respect of the above findings we recommend that you get in touch with those listed in the 'Useful Contacts' section. Each contact reference shown in the above table relates to detailed contact information contained near the back of this report. Further information is also available in the 'Useful Information' section.



### Section 1c and 1d: Potential and Known Contamination

The map below shows the location of the Potentially Contaminative Activities and Known Pollution Incidents in sections 1c and 1d of this report. Further details are shown on the following pages.



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#### Section 1c

- Local Authority Pollution Prevention and Controls
- Local Authority Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control
- Integrated Pollution Controls
- **Environmental Permitting** Regulations - Industry
- Consent to Discharge to Controlled Waters

- X Radioactive Substances Register
- Planning Hazardous Substance Consents
- Control of Major Accident Hazards Sites (COMAH)
- Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances (NIHHS)
- **Explosive Sites**

#### Section 1d

- Local Authority Pollution Prevention and Control Enforcements
- Enforcement and Prohibition Notices
- Planning Hazardous Substance Enforcements
- Prosecutions Relating to **Authorised Processes**
- **Environmental Pollution Incidents**
- Prosecutions Relating to Controlled Waters

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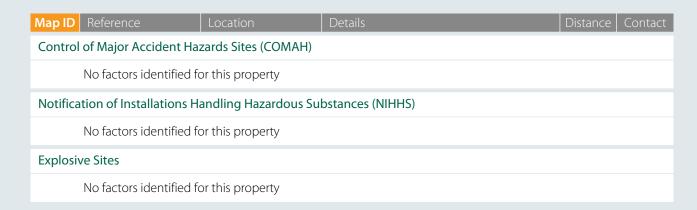


## Section 1c: Potentially Contaminative Activities

This section describes current and historic licensed activities within 500 metres of the property, which have the potential to cause contamination or have an impact on the environment. The licensed activities could range from pollution to air, land or water; storage or disposal of radioactive substances; or storage of hazardous or explosive materials. Licences may no longer be active, but the nature of the past activity means it could still have an impact.

Enquiry				Result	
lave ar	ny potentially contam	inative activities bee	n identified within 500m of the property?	Yes	
/lap ID	Reference	Location	Details	Distance	Conta
	uthority Pollution Prev				
	No factors identified fo	or this property			
ocal A	uthority Integrated Po	llution Prevention Ar	nd Control		
	No factors identified fo	or this property			
ntegra	ted Pollution Controls				
	No factors identified fo	or this property			
nviror	nmental Permitting Re	gulations - Industry			
	No factors identified fo	or this property			
Conser	nt to Discharge to Cont	rolled Waters			
3	Name: Carrs Bury St	Carrs Thetford Rd	<b>Type:</b> Surface Water Discharge	272m	2
	Edmunds Ltd  Reference:	Fornham St Martin Bury St Edmunds	<b>Discharge Type:</b> Discharge Of Other Matter-Surface Water		
	Prcnf02233	lp31 1sx	<b>Property Type:</b> SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES/MAINTENANCE + REPAIR		
			<b>Discharge Environment Type:</b> Freshwater Stream/River		
			Receiving Water: Trib River Lark		
			<b>Status:</b> Post National Rivers Authority Legislation where issue date > 31/08/1989		
			Date of Issue: 1st March 1990		
			<b>Positional Accuracy:</b> Located by supplier to within 100m		
Radioa	ctive Substances Regis	ter			
	No factors identified fo	or this property			
Plannir	ng Hazardous Substand	ce Consents			
	No factors identified for	or this property			

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### **Next Steps**

If you would like any further information in respect of the above findings we recommend that you contact the relevant Local Authority or the Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales. Contact details can be found in the 'Useful Contacts' section of this report. Further Information is also available in the 'Useful Information' section.



## Section 1d: Known Contamination Incidents

The data within this section describes unpermitted activity in your area (e.g. polluting incidents, or exceedance of permitted allowance) where the activity led to a prosecution or enforcement of regulations. Whilst all of these records are historic, the nature of the incident may have long term effects.

Enquiry			Result
Have any known contaminatio	on incidents been id	entified within 500m of the property?	No
Map ID Reference	Location	Details	Distance Contact
Local Authority Pollution Preven	ention and Control E	nforcements	
No factors identified for	r this property		
Enforcement and Prohibition N	Notices		
No factors identified for	r this property		
Planning Hazardous Substance	e Enforcements		
No factors identified for	r this property		
Prosecutions Relating to Author	orised Processes		
No factors identified for	r this property		
Environmental Pollution Incide	ents		
No factors identified for	r this property		
Prosecutions Relating to Contr	olled Waters		
No factors identified for	r this property		

Contaminated Land



## Section 1e: Other Potential Contaminative Land Uses

The map below shows the location of the Other Potential Contaminative Land Uses highlighted within section 1e of this report. Further details are shown on the following pages.



Contaminated Land



**Enquiry** 

## Section 1e: Other Potential Contaminative Land Uses

This section describes either current or historic activity, which could be considered to be contaminative. This section makes no statement about whether the activity requires a licence; however our environmental experts deem that the activities described in this section could lead to potential contamination. The information is taken from a variety of sources including trade directories, Landmark's extensive historical map collection and analysis of historic activity. Records are highlighted due to the potential for contamination to exist.

Have ar propert	-	rces of contaminatio	n been identified within 250m of the	Yes	
Map ID	Reference	Location	Details	Distance	Contact
	ation Entries	LOCATION	Details	Distance	Comact
	No factors identified fo	or this property			
Conten	nporary Trade Director				
4	Name: A 2 Z Property Clearance	6 Russell Baron Road Fornham St. Martin Bury St. Edmunds Suffolk IP31 1TA	Classification: Chemical Recycling & Disposal Services Status: Inactive Positional Accuracy: Automatically positioned to the address	201m	-
4	Name: A 2 Z Cleaning	6 Russell Baron Road Fornham St. Martin Bury St. Edmunds Suffolk IP31 1TA	Classification: Commercial Cleaning Services Status: Inactive Positional Accuracy: Automatically positioned to the address	201m	-
4	Name: Iron Express	6 Russell Baron Road Fornham St. Martin Bury St. Edmunds Suffolk IP31 1TA	Classification: Ironing & Home Laundry Services Status: Active Positional Accuracy: Automatically positioned to the address	201m	-
Former	Marshes				
	No factors identified for	or this property			
Potenti	ally Infilled Land (Non	-Water)			
	No factors identified for	or this property			
Potenti	ally Infilled Land (Wat	er)			
	No factors identified for	or this property			

**Contaminated Land** 

Map ID	Reference	Location	Details	Distance	Contact	
Potenti	ally Contaminative Inc	dustrial Uses (Past Land	d Use)			
5	Not Supplied	Not Supplied	Class: Railways Map Published Date: 1887 - 1958	223m	-	
Historio	Historical Tanks And Energy Facilities					
6	Not Supplied	Not Supplied	Type: Electrical Sub Station Facilities  Positional Accuracy: Positioned to location of cartographic text  Date of Mapping: 1987	172m	-	

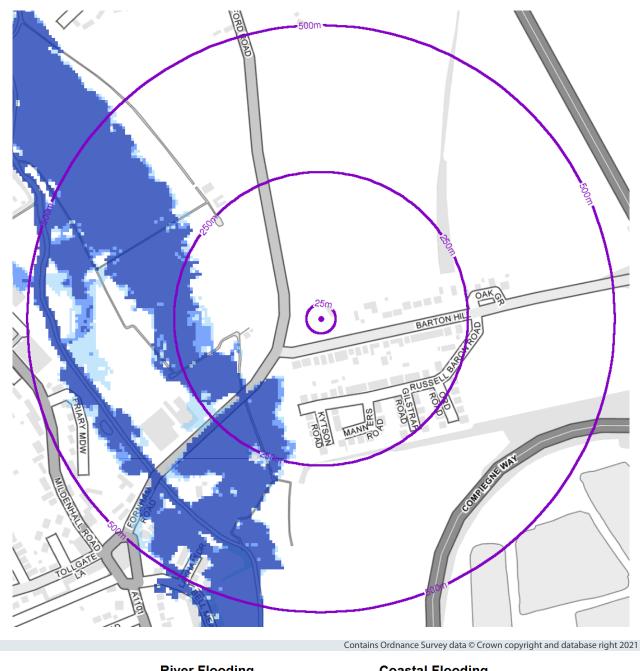
### **Next Steps**

If you would like any further information in respect of the above findings we recommend that you contact our Customer Services Team, whose details can be found in the 'Useful Contacts' section of this report. Further Information is also available in the 'Useful Information' section.



## Section 2a and 2b: River and Coastal Flooding

The map below shows the location of potential river and coastal flood risk. The potential risk has been modelled on the basis of events with a 1 in 75, 200 or 1000 chance of occurring in any given year. Further details are shown on the following pages.



#### **River Flooding**

1 in 1000 year return 1 in 200 year return 1 in 75 year return

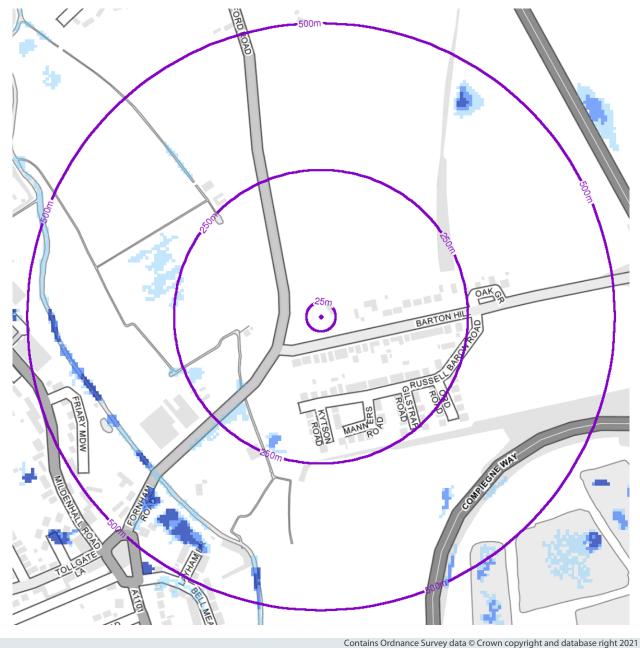
#### **Coastal Flooding**

1 in 1000 year return 1 in 200 year return 1 in 75 year return



## Section 2c: Surface Water Flooding

The map below shows the location of potential surface water flood risk. The potential risk has been modelled on the basis of events with a 1 in 75, 200 or 1000 chance of occurring in any given year. Further details are shown on the following pages.



### **Surface Water Flooding**





### Section 2a: River Flooding

River flooding mainly happens when the river catchment (that is the area of land that feeds water into the river and the streams that flow into the main river) receives greater than usual amounts of water (for example through rainfall or melting of snow). The amount of runoff depends on the soil type, catchment steepness, drainage characteristics, agriculture and urbanisation as well as the saturation of the catchment. The extra water causes the level of the water in the river to rise above its banks or retaining structures. The result is a worst-case scenario and assumes the failure of any defences which may be present.

Enquiry	Result	Contact
Is there a potential risk of river flooding within 250m of the property?	Yes	-



### Section 2b: Coastal Flooding

Coastal flooding is the inundation of land caused by sea water rising above normal tidal conditions due to the effects of severe weather conditions (a combination of storm surge, tides and river inflow). The result is a worst-case scenario and assumes the failure of any defences which may be present.

Enquiry	Result	Contact
Is there a potential risk of coastal flooding within 250m of the property?	No	-



### Section 2c: Surface Water Flooding

Surface water flooding results from rainfall running over ground before entering a watercourse or sewer. It is usually associated with high intensity rainfall events (typically greater than 30mm per hour) but can also occur with lower intensity rainfall or melting snow where the ground is already saturated, frozen, developed (for example in an urban setting) or otherwise has low permeability.

Enquiry	Result	Contact
Is there a potential risk of surface water flooding within 250m of the property?	Yes	-

### **Next Steps**

If you wish to gain more detailed information on the type and likelihood of your property being impacted by a flood event and the potential impact on insurance, we recommend that you purchase our Landmark Flood Report. If you would like more information please contact your Search Provider or our Customer Services Team on 0844 844 9966 or email helpdesk@landmark.co.uk.

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### Section 2d and 2e: RoFRS and Historic Flood Events

The map below shows the location of RoFRS and Historic Flood Events. Further details are shown on the following pages.



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Risk of Flooding from Rivers and Sea (RoFRS) **Historic Flood Events** High Medium Low

Very Low



## Section 2d: Risk of Flooding from Rivers and Sea (RoFRS)

The Risk of Flooding from Rivers and Sea (RoFRS) database provides an indication of river and coastal flood risk at a national level using a 50m grid as used by many insurance companies. The RoFRS data product has been created by calculating the actual likelihood of flooding to areas of land within the flood plain of an extreme flood and considers the probability that the flood defences will overtop or breach. The risk level is divided into four categories 'Low', 'Medium', 'High', and 'Very Low'.

Enquiry	Result
Is there a risk of flooding identified within 250m of the property based on the Risk of	Yes
Flooding from Rivers and Sea (RoFRS)?	

Map ID R	Reference	Location	Details	Distance	Contact	
Risk of Floo	Risk of Flooding from Rivers and Sea (RoFRS)					
R	<b>leference:</b> 928861	N/A	Flood Risk Assessment: Medium Catchment Area: Not Supplied	131m	2	
R	<b>Reference:</b> 379256	N/A	Flood Risk Assessment: Low Catchment Area: Not Supplied	132m	2	
R	<b>Reference:</b> 379209	N/A	Flood Risk Assessment: Low Catchment Area: Not Supplied	154m	2	
R	<b>Reference:</b> 379189	N/A	Flood Risk Assessment: Low Catchment Area: Not Supplied	222m	2	



## Section 2e: Historic Flood Events

The Historic Flood Events shows the individual areas of all historic flood events recorded by the relevant agency. This information is a useful tool to identify homes and businesses that may have experienced flood problems in the past. An area affected by a historic flood event may now be protected through an increase in flood management schemes and defences, meaning that it may not necessarily flood again. Equally the absence of a historic flood event does not mean that flooding has never occurred in an area, but that the agency do not have a record of it.

Enquiry				Result	
Have any Historic Flood Events occurred within 250m of the property?			No		
Map ID	Reference	Location	Details	Distance	Contact
Historic	Flood Events				
	No Events Found				



## Section 2f: **Groundwater Flooding**

Enquiry	Result	Contact
What is the risk of Groundwater Flooding within 250m of the property?	High	3

Comment: There is a high risk of groundwater flooding in this area with a chance of greater than 1% annual probability of occurrence or more frequent. Further consideration of the local level of risk and mitigation, by a suitably qualified professional, is recommended.

### **Next Steps**

If you wish to gain more detailed information on the type and likelihood of your property being impacted by a flood event and the potential impact on insurance, we recommend that you purchase our Landmark Flood Report. If you would like more information please contact your Search Provider or our Customer Services Team on **0844 844** 9966 or email helpdesk@landmark.co.uk.



### Section 3a: New Rail Infrastructure

High Speed Rail Link and Crossrail 1 and 2 are new rail links proximity to which is likely to have an impact on surrounding areas

Enquiry	Result
Is the property within 4km of the proposed HS2 rail development?	No
Is the property within 2km of the proposed Crossrail 1 or 2 rail developments?	No



### Section 3b: Oil and Gas Exploration and Production

Any areas to be explored for their energy potential by the oil & gas industry must be licensed by the Oil and Gas Authority. Such exploration includes areas subject to hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") investigation.

Enquiry	Result
Is the property within 4km of an area licensed for onshore energy exploration and production?	No
Is the property within 4km of an area that has been offered for licensing for the onshore exploration oil and gas by the Oil and Gas Authority?	No
Is the property within 4km of a well used for energy exploration or extraction?	No



### Section 3c: Existing or Proposed Wind Farms and Wind Turbines

Wind energy is one of several alternative energy sources; however, the location of wind farms or turbines can be contentious due to visual and auditory impact on the surrounding area. The information in this section gives insight into whether there are wind farms or turbines (planned or existing) in the vicinity of the report location. Planning Applications showing a "Planning Application Refused" status are reported as active as they can be resubmitted or appealed until Planning Permission has expired, or they are withdrawn or abandoned by the Applicant. We detail only those wind power developments which generate between 1MW and 50MW of power.

Enquiry	Result
Is the property within 4km of existing or proposed wind farms or wind turbines?	No



### Section 3d: Existing or Proposed Solar Farms

Solar energy is one of several alternative energy sources; however, the location of a solar farm can be contentious due to its visual impact on the surrounding area. The information in this section gives insight into whether there are solar farms (planned or existing) in the vicinity of the report location. Planning Applications showing a "Planning Application Refused" status are reported as active as they can be resubmitted or appealed until Planning Permission has expired, or they are withdrawn or abandoned by the Applicant. We detail only those solar developments which generate between 1MW and 50MW of power.

# **Energy & Infrastructure**

## Section 3

Enquiry	Result
Is the property within 2km of existing or proposed solar farms?	No

### **Next Steps**

In order to gain more detailed information regarding the potential impact of HS2, Crossrail 1 and 2, Energy Production, Wind Farms or Solar Farms on your property we recommend that you purchase an Argyll Energy & Infrastructure report. If you would like more information please contact your Search Provider or our Customer Services Team on **0844 844** 9966 or email helpdesk@landmark.co.uk.

**Ground Stability** Section 4



## Section 4a: Man-Made Factors

Enquiry	Result	Contact
Is the property within 25m of a Coal Mining Affected Area?	No	-
What is the potential for ground instability relating to non-coal mining within 50m of the property?	Rare	4

Comment: The British Geological Survey has assessed that hazards because of underground non-coal mine workings in this area are rare. It should be noted that there is always the possibility of excavations that are outside of the scope of this dataset which could affect ground stability.



## Section 4b: Natural Factors

Enquiry	Result	Contact
Are there any Natural cavities within 250m of the property?	No	-
What is the potential for natural ground instability in the area within 50m of the property?	Very Low	4

Comment: The British Geological Survey has assessed the area of search as having very low potential for natural ground instability. This does not necessarily mean there is cause for concern in terms of the property's stability. Active subsidence will be dependent on local conditions, such as the proximity of trees or areas where trees have been removed, which require an inspection of the site to identify the nature of the ground on which the property is built. A house buyers survey is advised to look for signs of property damage that may indicate poor natural ground conditions.

Radon Section 5



## Section 5: Radon Findings

The information within this section tells you whether the property is located in a radon affected area. Radon is a radioactive gas which occurs naturally in rocks and soils. You cannot see, hear, feel or taste it. Exposure to particularly high levels of radon may increase the risk of developing lung cancer, and is therefore something you need to be aware of.

Enquiry	Result	Contact
Is the property in a radon affected area?	The property is in a lower probability radon area, as less than 1% of homes are above the action level	5
What level of radon protection measures for new dwellings or extensions to existing ones is required for the property?	No radon protective measures are necessary in the construction of new dwellings or extensions	5

### **Next Steps**

The level of radon concentration can only be established by having the building tested. Action should be taken if the indoor radon level is measured and found to be above 200 becquerel's per cubic meter. If you would like any further information we recommend you contact Public Health England, whose details can be found in the 'Useful Contacts' section of this report.

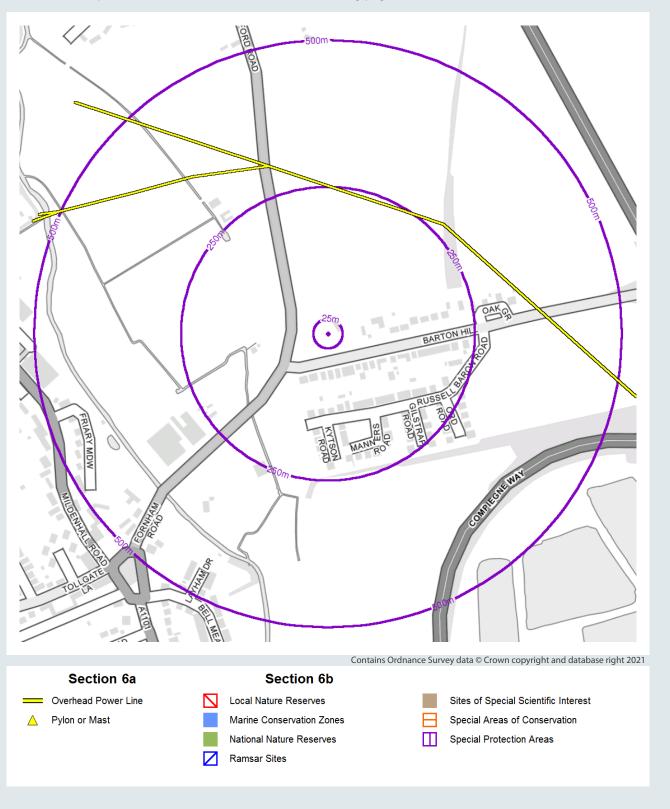
### **Further Action**

Airtech Environmental Systems can advise on radon testing kits, which cost £39.36 including VAT and can run from 7 days to 3 months. They also have a team of surveyors on hand to provide recommendations and advice for any properties above the target level of 100 becquerel's per cubic meter or action level of 200 becquerel's per cubic meter. Airtech Environmental Systems can provide a report, recommendations and a quotation for any recommended works. For more detailed information please call their free-phone number 0800 378017.



### Section 6a and 6b: Other Influential Factors

The map below shows the location of any Overhead Power Lines highlighted within Section 6a of this report. It also shows the location of any Environmental Constraints that are from datasets recognised as being relevant to Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, that are highlighted in Section 6b of this report. Further details are shown on the following pages.



Other Influential Factors



### Section 6a: Overhead Power Lines

This section of the report contains information on pylons and overhead power lines. Overhead lines can be contentious and may have a visual impact on the surrounding area. Please note that Overhead Transmission Lines are extracted from Ordnance Survey Landline data in MasterMap and only show significant lines; if the pylons and lines are not shown on the mapping then they will not be reported.

Enquiry	Result	Contact
Are there any Overhead Power Lines within 250m of the property?	Yes	-

### **Next Steps**

If you would like any further information in respect of the above findings please contact your Search Provider or our Customer Services Team on **0844 844 9966** or email **helpdesk@landmark.co.uk** for more information.



### Section 6b: Environmental Constraints

This section provides information on areas which have been designated as having environmental or historical importance; as such there may be constraints on property or land developments or alterations.

Enquiry			Result
Is the property within 250m of	of an area likely to be	impacted by Environmental Constraints?	No
Map ID Reference	Location	Details	Distance Contact
Ancient Woodland			
No factors identified fo	or this property		
Areas of Outstanding Natural	Beauty		
No factors identified fo	or this property		
Boundaries - National Parks			
No factors identified fo	or this property		
Country Parks			
No factors identified fo	or this property		
Environmentally Sensitive Are	eas		
No factors identified for	or this property		
Forest Parks			
No factors identified fo	or this property		
Local Nature Reserves			
No factors identified fo	or this property		

# Other Influential Factors

## Section 6

Map ID Referen	ce Location	Details	Distance   Cont
Marine Conserva	ition Zones		
No facto	rs identified for this property		
National Nature	Reserves		
No facto	rs identified for this property		
National Parks			
No facto	rs identified for this property		
National Scenic	Areas		
No facto	rs identified for this property		
Nature Improver	nent Areas		
No facto	rs identified for this property		
Ramsar Sites			
No facto	rs identified for this property		
Sites of Special S	cientific Interest		
No facto	rs identified for this property		
Special Areas of	Conservation		
No facto	rs identified for this property		
Special Protection	on Areas		
No facto	rs identified for this property		
World Heritage S	bites		
No facto	rs identified for this property		

## **Useful Contacts**

Please see below the contact details of all those referred to within this report. For all other queries please contact:

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2	Environment Agency National Customer Contact Centre (NCCC)	PO Box 544 Templeborough Rotherham S60 1BY	T: 03708 506 506 E: enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk
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4	British Geological Survey Enquiry Service	British Geological Survey Environmental Science Centre Nottingham Nottinghamshire NG12 5GG	T: 0115 936 3143 F: 0115 936 3276 E: enquiries@bgs.ac.uk W:www.bgs.ac.uk
5	Public Health England Radon Survey, Centre for Radiation, Chemical and Environmental Hazards	Chilton Didcot Oxfordshire OX11 0RQ	<b>T:</b> 01235 822622 <b>F:</b> 01235 833891 <b>E:</b> radon@phe.gov.uk <b>W:</b> www.ukradon.org
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	Argyll Environmental Ltd	1st Floor 98-99 Queens Road Brighton BN1 3XF	T: 0845 458 5250 F: 0845 458 5260 E: info@argyllenviro.com W: www.argyllenvironmental.com

The Landmark website contains links to many of our data suppliers which may prove useful.

Please note that the Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales/SEPA have a charging policy in place for enquiries.



## **Useful Information**

The following explanatory notes may be of assistance to users of the Envirosearch Residential report. Practitioners are reminded that full guidance notes are contained in the Practitioners Guide.

#### **Professional Opinion**

A Professional Opinion in relation to Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 is provided by Argyll Environmental Ltd. In many cases the report will be PASSED without referral. However, in some cases, entries that may be of concern are revealed by the search, in which case the report is REFERRED free of charge for more detailed consideration, although this will not include a physical site inspection. After such referral the report may be PASSED or suggestions made of some FURTHER ACTION that could be taken, in the form of questions to ask of the appropriate authorities. When responses to these questions are received it is the responsibility of the client and their professional advisors to decide if they are happy to proceed.

#### Flood Risk

A limited flood risk screening exercise is included in this report designed to satisfy basic flood risk screening due diligence including consideration of river, coastal, surface water and groundwater flooding. Where a potential flood risk is "Identified" you may wish to consider commissioning a more detailed flood risk screening report. When there is "None Identified" this does not indicate that there is not risk of flooding at the property, but that the risk of flooding from the sources screened (river, coastal, surface water and groundwater) within the vicinity of the property is such that the risk may not be considered significant.

#### **Positional Accuracy**

We locate data in a variety of ways according to information provided to us and subsequent in-house research. If data is provided as a point on the ground, we provide a "positional accuracy" which tells you how confident we are of the actual location.

#### Section 1b: Landfill and Waste

At present no complete national data set exists for landfill site boundaries, therefore, a point grid reference, provided by the data supplier, is used for some landfill sites. In certain cases the point grid references supplied provide only an approximate position, and can vary from the site entrance to the centre of the site. Where the exact position of the site is unclear for Registered Landfill data, Landmark construct either a 100 metre or 250 metre "buffer" around the point to warn of the possible presence of landfill. The size of this "buffer" relates to the positional accuracy that can be attributed to the site. The "buffer" is shown on the map as a red hatched area. For further information regarding landfill sites identified in the report, please contact the relevant agency or authority referenced in the Useful Contacts section.

The BGS holds records of over 3,000 landfill sites that accepted waste prior to the Control of Pollution Act (COPA) 1974. These were not subject to any strict regulation or monitoring.

Permitted Waste Sites and Environmental Permitting Regulations - Waste cover current or recently current consents issued for landfill sites, waste transfer, treatment or disposal sites by the relevant agency, under Section 64 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (Part 2) and prescribed by regulation 10 of SI No. 1056 of the Waste Management Licensing Regulations 1994.

#### **Section 1c: Potentially Contaminative Activities**

Identified discharge consents could be for storm water discharges, soakaways or septic tanks.

If a radioactive substance licence has been identified the consent band will be given under enquiries and replies. Consents fall into one of four bands: Band 1 and 2 Nuclear licensed sites authorised by the Nuclear Installations Inspectorate e.g. nuclear power stations Band 3 Site registered/authorised to accumulate and dispose of radioactive materials, only non-nuclear operations are carried out on site e.g. hospitals Band 4 Sites registered to keep and use radioactive material e.g. laboratories, universities, commercial premises using appliances such as monitoring equipment, alarm systems, tritium lighting etc.

Data supplied for Explosive Sites, Control of Major Accident Hazards Sites (COMAH) and Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances (NIHHS) contains public sector information published by the Health and Safety Executive and licensed under the Open Government Licence.

#### Section 1e: Other Potential Contaminative Land Uses

This section relates to categories of potentially contaminative land uses that have been identified by the analysis of selected Ordnance Survey historical mapping. The published date (range of dates) of the map (s) and the distance from the centre of search to the nearest point of the feature is given. Further details of the extent of the site or its activities are not available. Should you wish to examine the Ordnance Survey maps these are normally available for public inspection at the local archive or local major library. Alternatively, extracts of editions of Ordnance Survey maps are available on www.old-maps.co.uk

Potentially infilled land has been identified when a 'cavity' (a hole made by an extractive industry or natural occurrence e.g. pond) was indicated on a historic map but there was no evidence of its existence in the last available map for the area. No details of what may have been used to fill the cavity or exactly when or if it was filled are available from the mapping.

The point locations of historical tanks and energy facilities are identified from the text on Ordnance Survey 1:1250 and 1:2500 scale mapping published between 1943 and 1996, based upon a predetermined list of abbreviations, e.g. El Sub (Electricity Sub-station) and F Stn (Filling Station). The position of the point has been located at the centre of the identified text so that it would be within approximately 30 meters of the feature it was describing. The features themselves are related to energy and petroleum storage and cover the following: tanks, petrol storage, potential tanks (at depots etc.), electricity sub stations and related features, gas and gas monitoring related features, oil related features and miscellaneous power features. NB: It should be noted that the Ordnance Survey abbreviation for tank (tk) is the same as that for tracks. Therefore some of the captured text may relate to tracks and not tanks when the exact nature of the feature is not clear from the mapping.

### **Useful Information**

#### **Section 2: Flood Findings**

Sections 2a, b and c of the report provide data on modelled extents of river, coastal and surface water flooding generated by JBA Risk Management, a market leader in flood risk assessment commonly engaged by insurers to assess flood risk. The data has been modelled for several perils or return periods: 1 in 75, 1 in 200 or 1 in 1000 which relate to areas with a 1.3%, 0.5% and 0.1% annual probability of flooding in any one year respectively. Properties at risk of flooding during a 1 in 75 year event are typically considered to be at a high risk of flooding. The data has been generated to provide a UK wide screening tool and as a result may have inherent limitations. In addition, there may be areas of the country which are modelled to varying degrees of accuracy based on currently available topographical information.

Section 2d of the report provides data relating to the Risk of Flooding from Rivers and Sea (RoFRS) dataset provided by the environment relevant agency. Each agency has used its own data to further assess the risk of river or coastal flooding to the area of land located within an extreme flood zone. It was originally conceived to guide where flood defences were most needed. The risk assessment takes into account a variety of hypothetical levels of rainfall or coastal flooding (both in terms of intensity and duration) and certain flood defences, which it assumes will work effectively. The data generated considers a 50m<sup>2</sup> area and assigns a risk level (either low, medium or high). The model does not differentiate between properties within the grid square, nor does it predict the depth of any resultant flood (merely the risk of a flood occurring). The RoFRS data does not include flood risk from very small catchments areas as these are not considered reliable for UK-wide flood risk assessments, nor does it consider the potential impacts of climate change on flood risk or provide coverage in Scotland. The assessment is regularly updated and Landmark uses the latest version supplied by RoFRS. Many insurers use RoFRS as a guide to where to offer flood risk insurance cover.

Section 2e of the report includes information relating to records of historical flooding provided by the Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales. It should be noted that the historical flood event database is not comprehensive. Further details regarding the nature of any historical flood events are not supplied in this report, but can be obtained by contacting your local agency office.

Section 2f of the report provides data relating to the risk of groundwater flooding and is provided by GeoSmart, a leading independent scientific environmental consultancy specialising in water, land and sustainable development. Through research and development, building on their expertise in addressing groundwater flooding issues for the Environment Agency/Natural Resources Wales and other clients in the UK, GeoSmart has developed algorithms and calibrated predictions of the risk of groundwater flooding occurring in England and Wales. This differs from other suppliers of data regarding groundwater flooding which only report on the susceptibility of groundwater flooding. Susceptibility merely has to be identified, whereas risk must be quantified. The resulting data is a 5x5m classification of groundwater flooding risk into four categories (Negligible, Low, Moderate and High). GeoSmart's classifications are based on the level of risk, combining severity and uncertainty that a site will suffer groundwater flooding within a return period of about 100 years.

The data is a general purpose indicative screening tool, and is intended to provide a useful initial view for a wide variety of applications. However, it does not provide an alternative to a site specific assessment, and a detailed risk assessment should be used for any site where the impact of groundwater flooding would have significant adverse consequences.

#### Section 3: Energy & Infrastructure Findings

The Energy & Infrastructure section has been designed to satisfy standard due-diligence enquiries for residential and commercial sites. It is a limited, desk-based screen - we would recommend purchasing an Argyll Energy & Infrastructure report for further information. The report does not include data on all UK energy and Infrastructure projects, nor does Landmark Information Group make specific information requests of the regulatory authorities for any relevant information they may hold. Therefore, Landmark Information Group cannot guarantee that all land uses or factors of concern will have been identified by the report. Landmark Information Group is unable to comment directly with regards to the potential effect these key energy or infrastructure projects will have on the value of nearby properties. We would recommend contacting an appropriate surveyor who can provide a valuation. While every effort is made to ensure accuracy, Landmark Information Group cannot guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information or data. We do not accept responsibility for inaccurate data provided by external data providers. For further information regarding the datasets reviewed within our analysis, please contact our customer services team on 0844 844 9966. Crossrail 2 data is sourced from consultation documents as published by the Department of Transport

#### **Section 5: Radon Findings**

Due to the nature of way the information is gathered, your property/site may have more than one probability of radon attributed to it. We report the worst case scenario on the property/site you have provided. This information is an estimate of the probability that a property /site in Great Britain is at or above the "Action Level" for radon (the level at which Public Health England recommends that radon levels should be reduced, those with an average of 200 Bq m-3 or more). This information satisfies CON29 Standard Enquiry of Local Authority; 3.13 Radon Gas: Location of the Property in a Radon Affected Area and can also be used to advise house buyers and sellers in Scotland. Where the property/site is a new build, this information provides information on the level of protection required for new buildings under BR211 (Scivyer, 2007) Radon: Guidance on protective measures for new buildings and BR376 (BRE, 1999) Radon: Guidance on protective measures for new dwellings in Scotland.

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#### **Section 6b: Environmental Constraints**

The Local Nature Reserves national dataset is "indicative" not "definitive". Definitive information can only be provided by individual local authorities and you should refer directly to their information for all purposes that require the most up to date and complete dataset.

### **Useful Information**

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The contacts in the Useful Contacts section may be able to provide further information relating to items identified in the report, however they are not in a position to advise how these might affect the value of a property. The findings of the report should be discussed with your professional advisor.

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