

Phase 1 Desk Study - Possible Site Contamination, Penince PA22/09462

The site has had an agricultural use as being part of a local farm for several hundred years – however it was sold in the early 1900s as being unsuitable for production of crops and livestock owing to the contours of the land and there being a pond which dried out in dry weather as the ground conditions vary from granite to sandy soil.

Also the land contained an access road to Penince

Until the late 1970s, there was a piggery in use from just before the second world war.

This stopped as the cost of production and the state of the buildings (concrete block with galvanised and translucent roof sheets) made the process uneconomic.

Temporary permission was granted in 1986 to store motor bicycles in the redundant pig stys for the use of [REDACTED] — this building having been granted planning permission in October 1984 for the use as a garage and workshop.

The Land Rover Garage was built on this area in 2019 following the site clearance – no contamination was discovered - all earth and blockwork being removed from the site prior to new foundations and floor slab installation.

The site was used as a concrete block manufacturing premises from the late 1920s / early 1930s by [REDACTED] this being taken over by [REDACTED] in 1948 who continued in the production of concrete blocks and the haulage and storage of sea sand (removed from Pentewan Beach) being sold to local farmers and also sold to local builders.- The site area concerned is the location of the original Garage for M Turner Motors built 2007 - No contamination found and all machinery was sold to a metal recycling firm – the rubble was transported to a local tip.

In 1964/5 the site was developed to include the manufacture and supply of “Ready Mixed Concrete” Trading under the name W J Higman & Son Ltd with telephone Nr Stenalees 495

In 1977, The business was sold to [REDACTED] - as the business prospered, [REDACTED] expanded by acquiring the premises of A H White approx 1.5 miles along the road. - This area was developed 2012 approx for the motor cycle repair business garage – all steelwork was removed by a licensed metal company - There was no contamination found as the Fuel tanks had already been repositioned at the new works opposite the Eden Project entrance – Oil being collected monthly by a licensed waste company

The land remained in [REDACTED] ownership and he applied for and was granted planning permission for a caravan in 1994 for members of his family

Following his death, the site passing to the present owners Mr and Mrs Francis (relatives) 1999 approx –

Removal of Site Waste

Both Mr and Mrs Francis confirm that the present situation is that :-

- 1/ Used oil from all the existing garages is collected monthly by
Pyre Clean - Unit 5 St Brendas Trading Estate Avonmouth BS11 9EH
 - 2/ All packing – both plastic and cardboard together with large metal is collected in individual bins for collection by
Biffa Roche Depot
 - 3/ All small metal parts are removed by Volunteers and sold to Henry Orchards Metal Recycling – the proceeds going to the Childrens Hospice Porthpean
- No contamination has occurred on site as there are no processes being carried out which are likely to cause a risk.