

Condition 5 – Covering note

Please find attached the report commissioned by REC.

This was undertaken following discussion with Paul Allford, in Environmental Health, to fully understand the potential concerns re contamination and ground gas on the site, and ensure these were appropriately investigated and addressed through the study commissioned.

Investigations focused on the areas of the site where there may be more risk to human health from any contamination or ground gas – namely the stableyard area, the play area and the community garden/ growing area.

The project manager is meeting with REC in mid March to discuss the report and put in place a firm plan to implement the recommendations. Although the consultant recommended that further ground gas testing could be undertaken, he also recognises that the ground gas results are quite acceptable and pose no risk to park users. The Council may well therefore choose rather to accept the current assessment, and implement the clean cover system as proposed.