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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Kirsty Mitchell ("The Client") has commissioned Jomas Associates Ltd ('JOMAS'), to prepare a Basement Impact Assessment for a site referred to as 35 Templewood Avenue, London, NW3 7UY. A basement excavation is proposed beneath the existing residential building.

The aim of this report is to assess whether the ground conditions within the local area represent an impediment to the proposed development.

It should be noted that the table below is an executive summary of the findings of this report and is for briefing purposes only. Reference should be made to the main report for detailed information and analysis.

| Desk Study           |  |  |
|----------------------|--|--|
| Current Site<br>Use  | The site currently consists of a large residential house with lower ground floor level. There is also an atrium style building which formerly housed a swimming pool.  |  |
| Proposed Site<br>Use | The proposed development involves the demolition of the existing house at 35 Templewood Avenue and construction of a new house with basement and sub-basement; the lower level being used for plant equipment. The existing pool (originally part of the neighbouring Schreiber house) will be retained and underpinned all the way around the outer walls that currently support the glass dome. Above ground, the new house will be "L" shaped, wrapping around the southern and eastern sides of the existing Schreiber pool. The new basement will wrap around the south facing side of the existing Schreiber pool. Part of the new basement will be used as a car park and a new ramp, constructed in reinforced concrete, will run from West Heath Road along the boundary wall with the Schreiber House. A new swimming pool is also proposed within the basement. |  |
| Site History         | On the earliest available map (1870) the site is shown to be undeveloped. The site is shown with a single residential property encroaching onto the western art of the site by the map dated 1915. This development is part of a larger residential development. No significant changes occur until the map dated 1966 when the building is no longer shown and two new buildings are shown on site (including the circular building – atrium). By the map dated 1979, another building is shown on site. The map dated 2002 then only shows the circular building on site with all other buildings no longer shown. By most recent maps dated 2010-14 a new building resembling the sites current configuration is shown.   |  |
| Site Setting         | The British Geological Survey indicates that the site is directly underlain by solid deposits of the Bagshot Formation, identified as a Secondary A aquifer. No artificial deposits are reported within the site.<br>A review of the Envirolnsight Report indicates that there are no Environment Agency Zone  |  |
|                      | 2 or Zone 3 flood zones within 500m of the site.   |  |
|                      | The nearest detailed river entry (surface water feature is reported 152m N of the site on a  |  |
|                      | tertiary river.  |  |
| Potential<br>Sources | <ul> <li>Potential for Made Ground associated with previous development operations – on site (S1)</li> <li>Potential asbestos impacted soils from demolition of previous buildings – on site (S2)</li> </ul>   |  |



| Potential<br>Receptors             | <ul> <li>Construction workers (R1)</li> <li>Maintenance workers (R2)</li> <li>Neighbouring site users (R3)</li> <li>Future site users (R4)</li> <li>Building foundations and on site buried services (water mains, electricity and sewer) (R5)</li> <li>Controlled waters - secondary A aquifer (R6)</li> </ul>   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Preliminary<br>Risk<br>Assessment  | The risk estimation matrix indicates a <b>low</b> risk as defined above. A high risk has been designated due to possible asbestos in the ground.<br>No significant potential sources of contamination were identified during the desk based assessment. It is recommended that a number of soil samples obtained during the geotechnical investigation are analysed for a suite of general contaminants to confirm the lack of contamination within the site. |
|                                    | No potential sources of ground gas have been noted, as a consequence ground gas monitoring is not considered to be necessary. However, groundwater will be required for basement design. Consequently, it may be appropriate to measure ground gas concentrations at the same time to confirm that there is not an issue.   |
| Potential<br>Geological<br>Hazards | The Groundsure data identifies only a negligible to low risk – for full details see Section 3.  |

| Correction and Copping       |  |  |  |
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|                              | Screening and Scoping  |  |  |
| Subterranean                 | The investigation should confirm if the site is directly above the Secondary A Aquifer.  |  |  |
| (Groundwater)<br>Flow        | Groundwater levels should be determined so they can be compared to the relative depths of the basement.  |  |  |
| Land Stability               | The driveway down from road level is noted to be greater than 7° however this is an engineered slope that will have been designed with a suitable factor of safety. It is therefore considered that investigation to specifically investigate and model the slope is not required.   |  |  |
|                              | Following the investigation an assessment relating to groundwater management and excavation stability should be undertaken.  |  |  |
|                              | Although the site is reportedly directly underlain by Bagshot Formation (sand), Atterberg Limits of any underlying cohesive soil should be determined as part of the ground investigation.   |  |  |
| Surface Flow<br>and Flooding | As SUDS will be required by NPPF, PPG and LLFA policy requirements, this will be provided by surface and above ground attenuation before releasing to the existing sewer network. This will ensure that the proposed development will not increase the potential risk of groundwater flooding. The investigation should provide information that could be used with the SUDS Toolkit if required, to assess the need for SUDS. |  |  |
|                              | The SUDs Assessment (Price & Myers, 2020) indicates that a 32m <sup>3</sup> attenuation tank will be installed the site at 1.5m bgl. Further details are provided within the full report.  |  |  |



|                                 | Ground Investigation  |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Ground<br>Conditions            | The results of the ground investigation revealed a ground profile comprising Made Ground (up to at least 1m thick), overlying orange to brown slightly sandy Clay (Bagshot Formation) to the base of the boreholes up to 5mbgl.   |
| Environmental<br>Considerations | Following generic risk assessments, an elevated concentration of lead was reported in WS1 at 0.50mbgl.  |
|                                 | A single sample (WS2 at 0.50mbgl) tested positive for asbestos in the form of chrysotile – loose fibres/loose fibrous debris. This was quantified at 0.017%, below the limit at which fibres are considered hazardous for disposal purposes. It should be noted that for the purposes of human health assessment there is no level of asbestos below which it is deemed the materials are "safe".   |
|                                 | Results of WAC testing indicate that waste soils meet the criteria for disposal as "inert" waste. The receiving facility may also consider the Lead concentration prior to confirming they are able to accept the waste soils.  |
|                                 | The site proposal indicates that parts of the site will remain covered by a combination of the proposed building footprint and hard surfacing. Where this is the case, no formal remedial measures are considered necessary in terms of human health, as the building and hard surfacing are expected to provide a barrier to potential receptors. In areas of soft landscaping, certified clean topsoil will be required. Further testing may be undertaken to confirm if the Lead concentrations and asbestos persists across the topsoil/made ground existing on site. |
|                                 | The site is underlain by solid deposits of the Bagshot Formation, defined as a Secondary A aquifer. No groundwater was encountered during intrusive works or subsequent monitoring visits. There are no source protection zones in close proximity to the site and the nearest surface water feature is a tertiary river 152m N of site. As a result, the risk to controlled waters is considered low.  |
|                                 | Calculating the Gas Screening Value using worst case results indicates Characteristic Situation 1. This would indicate that no special precautions are required. Assuming that the basement development is constructed to the necessary standards and guidelines it would provide a minimum of 2.5 gas protection points.   |
|                                 | As with any ground investigation, the presence of further hotspots between sampling points cannot be ruled out. Should any contamination be encountered, a suitably qualified environmental consultant should be informed immediately, so that adequate measures may be recommended.  |
|                                 | The above conclusions are made subject to approval by the statutory regulatory bodies.  |
| Geotechnical<br>Considerations  | It is assumed that the retaining wall will be installed using "underpinning" type construction methods. Full details are provided in the Structural Engineering Planning Report (Price & Myers, 2020).  |
|                                 | Based upon the information obtained to date, it is considered that conventional foundations may be suitable for the proposed development. It is considered that an allowable bearing capacity of 150kPa at 4-5m bgl (i.e. at 109.3-108.3mOD) is possible.   |
|                                 | A reduced allowable bearing capacity of 125kPa should be adopted for slightly shallower foundations at 110.5 mOD.   |
|                                 | Where the sub-basement is to be formed at 106.87 mOD, ground conditions have not yet been proven. However, the Bagshot Formation is unlikely to decrease in strength with depth. Therefore, an allowable bearing capacity of 150kPa should be adopted for this depth.   |
|                                 | Additional ground investigation will be carried out to prove deeper ground conditions after planning permission has been obtained.  |



| Ground Investigation |   |  |
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|                      | If this shows conventional basement construction to be impractical, the borehole will provide sufficient information for the design of a sheet piled/secant wall, as a contingency.   |  |
|                      | Excavations will be required at the site for services and construction works. These are anticipated to remain stable for the short term only.   |  |
|                      | The progression of the basement excavation will need to consider the potential impact to existing structures both on and off site and provide adequate and appropriate support.   |  |
|                      | Further considerations regarding a proposed two-stage underpinning process are given in the Structural Engineering Planning Report (Price & Myers, 2020).   |  |
|                      | Throughout the investigation and subsequent monitoring, groundwater was not observed.   |  |
|                      | Subject to seasonal variations, it is not considered likely that significant quantities groundwater would be encountered during site works. Any encountered groundwater could be readily dealt with by conventional pumping from a sump. This would need to be assessed at the time of construction.              |  |
|                      | Based on the results of chemical testing, the required concrete class for the site is DS-3 assuming an Aggressive Chemical Environment for Concrete classification of AC-3 within the Made Ground and DS-1 AC-1s within the Bagshot Formation in accordance with the procedures outlined in BRE Special Digest 1. |  |
|                      | A ground bearing floor slab could be used. Such a floor slab would also need to be suitably reinforced, to prevent buckling from the loadings imposed by the retaining wall.  |  |
|                      | The floor slab (and basement walls) would need to be constructed to conform to BS: 8102 (2009).   |  |

| NON TECHNICAL SUMMARY ON BASEMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Impact<br>Assessment                                | The overall assessment of the site is that the creation of a basement for the proposed development should not adversely impact the site or its immediate environs, providing measures are taken to protect surrounding land and properties during construction.               |  |  |
|   | The proposed basement excavation will be within 5m of a public pavement. It is also laterally within 5m of neighbouring properties.   |  |  |
|   | Unavoidable lateral ground movements associated with the basement excavations must<br>be controlled during temporary and permanent works so as not to impact adversely on the<br>stability of the surrounding ground and any associated services.                             |  |  |
|   | From the studies that have been undertaken so far it is concluded that the construction of the building should not present a problem for groundwater. It is concluded that this site can be successfully developed without causing any problems to the subterranean drainage. |  |  |



|              | NON TECHNICAL SUMMARY ON BASEMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT  |  |  |  |
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| Further Work | Deeper ground/hydrology conditions will be confirmed by drilling a cable percussive borehole post-demolition. This could potentially be carried out in the context of a Basement Construction Plan (BCP) stage, subject to LBC's approval. |  |  |  |
|              | If this shows conventional basement construction to be impractical, the borehole will provide sufficient information for the design of a sheet piled/secant wall, as a contingency.  |  |  |  |
|              | The information will be used to review the impact on subterranean flows and the likelihood of groundwater moving between the site and the Hampstead Heath ponds in an updated Basement Impact Assessment.                                  |  |  |  |
|              | This report should be submitted to Thames Water for review by their asset protection team.   |  |  |  |



### 1 INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Terms of Reference

- 1.1.1 Kirsty Mitchell ("The Client") has commissioned Jomas Associates Ltd ('Jomas'), to prepare a Desk Study, Ground Investigation and Basement Impact Assessment at a site referred to as 35 Templewood Avenue, London, NW3 7UY.
- 1.1.2 Jomas' work has been undertaken in accordance with email proposal dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017.
- 1.1.3 This report has been revised in accordance with Jomas' email proposal dated 24<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

#### 1.2 Proposed Development

- 1.2.1 The site under investigation is bounded to the north and east by West Heath Road and Templewood Avenue, respectively. The properties located at 9 West Heath Road (Grade II listed Schreiber House) and 33 Templewood Avenue form the western and southern boundaries, respectively.
- 1.2.2 The proposed development involves the demolition of the existing house at 35 Templewood Avenue and construction of a new house with basement and sub-basement; the lower level being used for plant equipment. The existing pool (originally part of the neighbouring Schreiber house) will be retained and underpinned all the way around the outer walls that currently support the glass dome. Above ground, the new house will be "L" shaped, wrapping around the southern and eastern sides of the existing Schreiber pool. The new basement will wrap around the south facing side of the existing Schreiber pool. Part of the new basement will be used as a car park and a new ramp, constructed in reinforced concrete, will run from West Heath Road along the boundary wall with the Schreiber House. A new swimming pool is also proposed within the basement.
- 1.2.3 The existing lower ground floor (which is present over much of the existing building footprint) formation level ranges between approximately 111.0m and 112.0m OD.
- 1.2.4 The structural slab level of the proposed basement ranges between 108.00m and 109.87m OD. The structural slab level of the proposed sub-basement is 106.87m OD.
- 1.2.5 For the purpose of geotechnical assessment, it is considered that the project could be classified as a Geotechnical Category (GC) 2 site in accordance with BS EN 1997 Part 1. GC 2 projects are defined as involving:
  - Conventional structures.
  - Quantitative investigation and analysis.
  - Normal risk.
  - No difficult soil and site conditions.
  - No difficult loading conditions.
  - Routine design and construction methods.
- 1.2.6 This will be reviewed at each stage of the project.

#### 1.3 Objectives

1.3.1 The objectives of Jomas' investigation were as follows:



- To present a description of the present site status, based upon the published geology, hydrogeology and hydrology of the site and surrounding area;
- To review readily available historical information (i.e., Ordnance Survey maps and database search information) for the site and surrounding areas;
- To conduct an intrusive investigation, to assess ground conditions and obtain geotechnical parameters to inform preliminary foundation design;
- To assess the potential impacts that the proposal may have on ground stability, the hydrogeology and hydrology on the site and its environs.

#### 1.4 Scope of Works

- 1.4.1 The following tasks were undertaken to achieve the objectives listed above:
  - A walkover survey of the site;
  - A desk study, which included the review of a database search report (GeoInsight Report, attached in Appendix 2) and historical Ordnance Survey maps (attached in Appendix 3);
  - An intrusive investigation to assess the underlying ground conditions;
  - A basement impact assessment;
  - A ground movement assessment;
  - The compilation of this report, which collects and discusses the above data, and presents an assessment of the site conditions, conclusions and recommendations.

### 1.5 Scope of Basement Impact Assessment (BIA)

- 1.5.1 Jomas has based the methodology of the BIA on the guidance given in the London Borough of Camden document "Camden Planning Guidance Basements" (CPGB) (March 2018). This document has been used as it is generally accepted that this gives the best available guidance on the practicalities regarding how to the undertake a BIA.
- 1.5.2 The CPGB differentiates between lower ground floors and basements. Noting that storeys built partially below ground are common around London and especially in Camden, in particular in historic buildings. To be considered a lower ground floor and not a basement the storey must typically:
  - Have a significant proportion above the prevailing ground level,
  - Be accessible from the outside of the building at the front and rear of the property,
  - Form part of the original fabric of a building, and Form part of the character of the area.
- 1.5.3 The proposed development does not meet these criteria so would be deemed a basement and require a BIA.
- 1.5.4 Jomas' BIA covers most items required under CPGB, with the exception of;
  - Plans and sections to show foundation details of adjacent structures no access to adjacent properties was possible.
  - Programme for enabling works, construction and restoration
  - Evidence of consultation with neighbours



- Construction Sequence Methodology
- Proposals for monitoring during construction.
- Drainage assessment
- 1.5.5 This Jomas BIA also takes into account the Campbell Reith pro forma BIA produced on behalf of and published by the London Borough of Camden as guidance for applicants to ensure that all of the required information is provided.
- 1.5.6 A number of the requirements set out in the London Borough of Camden document CPGB will need to be addressed in a construction management plan, this stage is not within the scope of work that Jomas Associates have been commissioned.

#### 1.6 Supplied Documentation

1.6.1 A number of reports prepared by third parties were supplied to Jomas Associates. Table 1.1 details the documents supplied:

| Title   | Author                                | Reference         | Date          |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Heritage Assessment 35<br>Templewood Avenue, London   | WYG                                   | A100862           | December 2016 |
| Arboricultural Impact Assessment<br>Report for:<br>35 Templewood Avenue, London,<br>NW3 7UY | Landmark Trees                        | LGA/35TPW/AIA/01b | February 2020 |
| 35 Templewood Avenue NW3 7UY<br>Structural Engineering Planning<br>Report                   | Price & Myers<br>Consulting Engineers | 28585 Rev1        | June 2020     |

#### Table 1.1: Supplied Reports

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#### 2 SITE SETTING & HISTORICAL INFORMATION

#### 2.1 **Site Information**

The site location plan is appended to this report in Appendix 1. 2.1.1

| Name of Site               | -   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Address of Site            | 35 Templewood Avenue<br>London<br>NW3 7UY   |
| Approx. National Grid Ref. | 525822,186364   |
| Site Area (Approx)         | 0.10 hectares   |
| Site Ownership             | Unknown   |
| Site Occupation            | A residential building  |
| Local Authority            | London Borough of Camden  |
| Proposed Site Use          | Residential with basement for parking, pool, gym and sub-basement for pool plant. |

### **Table 2.1: Site Information**

#### 2.2 Walkover Survey

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The site was visited by a Jomas Engineer on 20th June 2017. The following information was 2.2.1 noted while on site.

| Area     | Item                           | Details   |
|----------|--------------------------------|---|
| On-site: | Current Uses:                  | Site is a currently a residential detached house<br>with a rear garden. There is also a glass atrium<br>which is a listed building, this once housed a<br>swimming pool.  |
|          | Evidence of historic uses:     | None noted.   |
|          | Surfaces:                      | The majority of the site is covered by building footprint with a garden to the rear.  |
|          | Vegetation:                    | There are several large trees surrounding the<br>property of various species. The most significant is<br>probably an approx. 15m eucalyptus tree situated<br>in the eastern section of the site. The garden area<br>mainly consists of turf and flower bed cover. |
|          | Topography/Slope<br>Stability: | There is a lower ground floor level at which there is<br>a garage. The site slopes downwards from the<br>main road at ground level to this garage.<br>The main garden is also at a higher level to the<br>rear decking area at lower ground floor level.          |
|          | Drainage:                      | Standard drainage observed.   |



| Area                  | Item               | Details  |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--|
|                       | Services:          | The site appears to be connected to normal statutory services.                                   |
|                       | Controlled waters: | There is a very small man-made pond to the rear of the decking area at lower ground floor level. |
|                       | Tanks:             | No tanks were observed on site.  |
| Neighbouring<br>land: | North:             | West Heath Road and Hampstead Heath  |
|                       | East:              | Templewood Avenue and Residential.   |
|                       | South:             | Residential.   |
|                       | West:              | Residential.   |

2.2.2 Photos taken during the site walkover are provided in Appendix 1.

### 2.3 Historical Mapping Information

- 2.3.1 The historical development of the site and its surrounding areas was evaluated following the review of a number of Ordnance Survey historic maps, procured from GroundSure, and provided in Appendix 3 of this report.
- 2.3.2 A summary produced from the review of the historical map is given in Table 2.3 below. Distances are taken from the site boundary.

| Dates and                                 | Relevant Historical Information   |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Scale of Map                              | On Site   | Off Site   |  |  |
| 1870/74<br>1:1,560<br>1:2,500<br>1:10,560 | Site consists of heathland in the north<br>and field in the south. The is a small<br>road or footpath running through the<br>site from east to west accompanied<br>by a row of trees. | Buildings present 50m E and SE of site (Part of<br>West Heath Village)<br><b>Sand Pit</b> 250m E of site.<br>Reservoir 250m NW of site.<br>Hampstead (town) to SE of site.                             |  |  |
| 1894/96<br>1:1,560<br>1:2,500<br>1:10,560 | Site is vacant and devoid of any features.  | Residential house built 50m W of site.<br>Road immediately N of site.<br>Reservoir 250m NW of site is now identified as<br>'Leg of Mutton Pond'.<br><b>Sand Pit</b> 250m E of site is no longer shown. |  |  |
| 1915/20<br>1:2,500<br>1:10,560            | Site consists of about ¼ of a larger residential estate. A building encroaches onto the western part of the site.   | Further residential development to area S of site.   |  |  |
| 1938<br>1:10,560                          | No significant changes  | No significant changes   |  |  |
| 1951/53<br>1:1,250<br>1:2,500<br>1:10,560 | No significant changes  | Spring identified 200m NE of site.   |  |  |

#### Table 2.3: Historical Development

### SECTION 2 SITE SETTING & HISTORICAL INFORMATION



| Dates and                      | Relevant Historical Information   |   |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Scale of Map                   | On Site   | Off Site  |  |  |
| 1955/58<br>1:1,250<br>1:10,560 | No significant changes  | School identified 250m S of site.   |  |  |
| 1966/69<br>1:2,500<br>1:10,560 | Former building on site has been<br>demolished.<br>A circular building is shown on site as<br>well as part of another building<br>encroaching on site from the south. | No significant changes  |  |  |
| 1973/76<br>1:1,250<br>1:10,000 | No significant changes  | Building part of Charing Cross Hospital is shown<br>80m E of site.<br>Electrical sub-station 50m SE of site.                            |  |  |
| 1979/81<br>1:1,250             | Additional small building shown in W of site.   | Building 150m SE of site demolished and wooded area shown in its place.   |  |  |
| 1991<br>1:1,250                | No significant changes  | Building part of Charing Cross Hospital has been redeveloped into 'Heath Park gardens'.<br>Residential development 100-250m SE of site. |  |  |
| 2002<br>1:10,000               | Site consists of circular building only – nothing else.   | No significant changes  |  |  |
| 2010/14<br>1:10,000            | Site is shown to have a new building built to the SE of the circular building.  | No significant changes  |  |  |

2.3.4 It is noted from the Heritage Assessment (WYG – 2016) that the existing Schreiber swimming pool has been out of use for several years due to structural and functional issues. The swimming pool structure was constructed in 1968 following the construction of the adjacent Schreiber House. The swimming pool was originally linked to Schreiber House, but is presently linked to the existing structure at the subject site, following a change in ownership. The Schreiber House and the swimming pool are Grade II listed.

#### 2.4 Previous Site Investigations

2.4.1 No previous site investigation reports were provided at the time of writing.

#### 2.5 Unexploded Ordnance

- 2.5.1 Publicly available information has been assessed regarding the risk of Unexploded Ordnance affecting the site.
- 2.5.2 The initial data indicates that there is a low-moderate risk.
- 2.5.3 Low-moderate risk regions are those that show a bomb density of up to 50 bombs per 1km2 and that may contain potential WWII targets. Compared to areas outside of London, this still presents a significant risk.
- 2.5.4 This does not comprise a full UXO risk assessment, and a full threat assessment is recommended.



### 3 ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

3.1.1 The following section summarises the principal geological resources of the site and its surroundings. The data discussed herein is generally based on the information given within the Groundsure Report (in Appendix 2).

#### 3.2 Solid and Drift Geology

3.2.1 Information provided by the British Geological Survey indicates that the site is directly underlain by solid deposits of the Bagshot Formation. An extract of the BGS description of the Bagshot Formation is provided below:

"pale yellow-brown to pale grey or white, locally orange or crimson, fine- to coarse-grained sand that is frequently micaceous and locally clayey, with sparse glauconite and sparse seams of gravel. The sands are commonly cross-bedded but some are laminated. Thin beds and lenses of laminated pale grey to white sandy or silty clay or clay ('pipe-clay') occur sporadically, becoming thicker towards the top of the formation. A thick clay bed, the Swinley Clay Member, is included at the top."

3.2.2 Superficial and artificial deposits are not reported within the site. Given the site history, a thickness of Made Ground should be expected.

#### 3.3 British Geological Survey (BGS) Borehole Data

3.3.1 As part of the assessment, the BGS archives regarding publicly available borehole records were searched. No publicly available borehole records were available within 250m of the site boundary.

#### 3.4 Hydrogeology & Hydrology

3.4.1 General information about the hydrogeology of the site was obtained from the Environment Agency website.

#### Groundwater Vulnerability

- 3.4.2 Since 1 April 2010, the EA's Groundwater Protection Policy uses aquifer designations that are consistent with the Water Framework Directive. This comprises;
  - **Secondary A** permeable layers capable of supporting water supplies at a local rather than strategic scale, and in some cases forming an important source of base flow to rivers. These are generally aquifers formerly classified as minor aquifers;
  - Secondary B predominantly lower permeability layers which may store and yield limited amounts of groundwater due to localised features such as fissures, thin permeable horizons and weathering. These are generally the water-bearing parts of the former non-aquifers.
  - Secondary Undifferentiated has been assigned in cases where it has not been possible to attribute either category A or B to a rock type. In most cases, this means that the layer in question has previously been designated as both minor and non-aquifer in different locations due to the variable characteristics of the rock type.
  - **Principal Aquifer –** this is a formation with a high primary permeability, supplying large quantities of water for public supply abstraction.



• **Unproductive Strata** - These are rock layers or drift deposits with low permeability that have negligible significance for water supply or river base flow.

#### Source Protection Zones (SPZ)

- 3.4.3 In terms of aquifer protection, the EA generally adopts a three-fold classification of SPZs for public water supply abstraction wells.
  - Zone I or 'Inner Protection Zone' is located immediately adjacent to the groundwater source and is based on a 50-day travel time. It is designed to protect against the effects of human activity and biological/chemical contaminants that may have an immediate effect on the source.
  - Zone II or 'Outer Protection Zone' is defined by a 400-day travel time to the source. The travel time is designed to provide delay and attenuation of slowly degrading pollutants.
  - Zone III or 'Total Catchment' is the total area needed to support removal of water from the borehole, and to support any discharge from the borehole.

#### <u>Hydrology</u>

- 3.4.4 The hydrology of the site and the area covers water abstractions, rivers, streams, other water bodies and flooding.
- 3.4.5 The Environment Agency defines a floodplain as the area that would naturally be affected by flooding if a river rises above its banks, or high tides and stormy seas cause flooding in coastal areas.
- 3.4.6 There are two different kinds of area shown on the Flood Map for Planning. They can be described as follows:

Areas that could be affected by flooding, either from rivers or the sea, if there were no flood defences. This area could be flooded:

- from the sea by a flood that has a 0.5 per cent (1 in 200) or greater chance of happening each year;
- or from a river by a flood that has a 1 per cent (1 in 100) or greater chance of happening each year.

(For planning and development purposes, this is the same as Flood Zone 3, in England only.)

• The additional extent of an extreme flood from rivers or the sea. These outlying areas are likely to be affected by a major flood, with up to a 0.1 per cent (1 in 1000) chance of occurring each year.

(For planning and development purposes, this is the same as Flood Zone 2, in England only.)

- 3.4.7 These two areas show the extent of the natural floodplain if there were no flood defences or certain other manmade structures and channel improvements.
- 3.4.8 Outside of these areas flooding from rivers and the sea is very unlikely. There is less than a 0.1 per cent (1 in 1000) chance of flooding occurring each year. The majority of England and Wales falls within this area. (For planning and development purposes, this is the same as Flood Zone 1, in England only.)
- 3.4.9 Some areas benefit from flood defences and these are detailed on Environment Agency mapping.



3.4.10 Flood defences do not completely remove the chance of flooding, however, and can be overtopped or fail in extreme weather conditions.

| Feature  |                    | On Site  | Off Site  | Potential<br>Receptor? |
|--|--------------------|--|---|------------------------|
| Aquifor  | Superficial:       | -  | Secondary A<br>(398m NE of site)  | X                      |
| Aquilei  | Solid:             | Secondary A  | Unproductive<br>(456m S of site)  | $\checkmark$           |
| Source Protection<br>Zone                            |                    | None   | No SPZs within 500m of the site.  | x                      |
| Abstractions   |                    | None   | No groundwater,<br>surface water or<br>potable water<br>abstractions within<br>1km of the site.   | X                      |
| Surface Water<br>Features/Detailed<br>River Networks |                    | None   | <ul> <li>3No. surface water<br/>features within</li> <li>250m of the site.</li> <li>Nearest 152m N of<br/>site.</li> <li>4No. detailed river<br/>networks within</li> <li>500m of the site.</li> <li>Nearest is a tertiary<br/>river 152m N of<br/>site.</li> </ul> | ✓                      |
|  | EA Flood<br>Zone 2 | No   |   |                        |
|  | EA Flood<br>Zone 3 | No   |   |                        |
| Flood Diele  | RoFRaS             | Very low   |   |                        |
| FIOOD KISK   | Flood<br>Defences  | There are no areas<br>Defences within 250  | benefiting from Flood<br>Im of the study site   |                        |
|  | BGS                | The BGS has a 'low<br>is a potential for 'cle<br>site; this is also desc<br>potential' | ' confidence that there<br>arwater' flooding at the<br>cribed as a 'limited   |                        |

### Table 3.1: Summary of Hydrogeology & Hydrology

#### 3.5 Radon

- 3.5.1 The site is reported not to lie within a Radon affected area, as less than 1% of properties are above the action level.
- 3.5.2 Consequently, no radon protective measures are necessary in the construction of new dwellings or extensions as described in publication BR211 (BRE, 2015).



## 4 **GEOLOGICAL HAZARDS**

4.1.1 The following are brief findings extracted from the GroundSure GeoInsight Report, that relate to factors that may have a potential impact upon the engineering of the proposed development.

| Potential Hazard                 | Site check Hazard<br>Rating | Details   | Further Action<br>Required? |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Shrink swell                     | Negligible                  | Ground conditions predominantly non-<br>plastic. No special actions required to avoid<br>problems due to shrink-swell clays. No<br>special ground investigation required, and<br>increased construction costs or increased<br>financial risks are unlikely likely due to<br>potential problems with shrink-swell clays.   | No                          |
| Landslides                       | Very low                    | Slope instability problems are unlikely to be<br>present. No special actions required to<br>avoid problems due to landslides. No<br>special ground investigation required, and<br>increased construction costs or increased<br>financial risks are unlikely due to potential<br>problems with landslides.   | No                          |
| Ground dissolution soluble rocks | Negligible                  | Soluble rocks are present, but unlikely to<br>cause problems except under exceptional<br>conditions. No special actions required to<br>avoid problems due to soluble rocks.   | No                          |
| Compressible<br>deposits         | Negligible                  | No indicators for compressible deposits<br>identified. No special actions required to<br>avoid problems due to compressible<br>deposits. No special ground investigation<br>required, and increased construction costs<br>or increased financial risks are unlikely due<br>to potential problems with compressible<br>deposits.   | No                          |
| Collapsible Rock                 | Very Low                    | Deposits with the potential to collapse when<br>loaded and saturated are unlikely to be<br>present. No special ground investigation<br>required.  | No                          |
| Running sand                     | Low                         | Possibility of running sand problems after<br>major changes in ground conditions. Normal<br>maintenance to avoid leakage of water-<br>bearing services or water bodies (ponds,<br>swimming pools) should reduce likelihood of<br>problems due to running sand. For new<br>build - consider possibility of running sand<br>into trenches or excavations if water table is<br>high or sandy strata are exposed to water.<br>Avoid concentrated water inputs to site.<br>Unlikely to be an increase in construction<br>costs due to potential for running sand. For<br>existing property - no significant increase in<br>insurance risk due to running sand problems<br>is likely. | No                          |

#### Table 4.1: Geological Hazards



| Potential Hazard     | Site check Hazard<br>Rating | Details  | Further Action<br>Required? |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| Coal mining          | No                          | There are no coal mining areas identified within 1000m of the site boundary. | No                          |
| Non-coal mining      | No                          | -  | No                          |
| Brine affected areas | No                          | -  | No                          |

4.1.2 In addition, the GeoInsight report notes the following:

- 5No. historical surface ground working features are reported within 250m of the site. Nearest reported 110m south of the site for unspecified ground workings.
- No. historical underground working features are reported within 1km of the site.
- No BGS Current Ground Working Features are reported within 1km of the site.
- No railway lines (active, historical or planned) or railway tunnels have been identified within 250m of the site boundary.
- 4.1.3 It is recommended that a geotechnical ground investigation is undertaken to help allow foundation design.



## 5 HYDROLOGY AND FLOOD RISK

#### 5.1 Hydrology and Flood Risk

5.1.1 In accordance with the NPPF Guidance, below is a review of flood risks posed to and from the development and recommendations for appropriate design mitigation where necessary. Specific areas considered are based on the requirements laid out in the "Camden Guidance for Subterranean Development". This document is generally considered to be the most comprehensive Local Authority Guidance in the London area.

| Flood<br>Sources                     | Site Status   | Comment on flood risk posed to / from the development   |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Fluvial / Tidal                      | Site is not within 250m of an Environment<br>Agency Zone 2 or zone 3 floodplain. Risk   | The proposed basement footprint is slightly larger than that of the existing footprint.   |
|                                      | of flooding from rivers and the sea (RoFRaS) rating very low.   | As such there is an increase in impermeable areas and hence additional SUDS may be required.  |
| Groundwater                          | The BGS considers the area to have a limited potential for clearwater flooding.   | As SUDS will be required by NPPF, PPG<br>and LLFA policy requirements, this could<br>be provided by surface and above ground<br>attenuation before releasing to the<br>existing sewer network. Or depending on<br>the ground conditions encountered on site<br>infiltration drainage may be suitable. Such<br>drainage will be designed to ensure that<br>the proposed development will not<br>increase the potential risk of groundwater<br>flooding.<br>Basement will be fully waterproofed as<br>appropriate to industry standard.<br>During the walkover, no evidence of<br>groundwater ingress was noted into the<br>existing basement or through the retaining<br>walls supporting the ground either side of<br>the access to the underground car park.<br>Low Risk |
| Artificial<br>Sources                | Very small isolated man-made pond<br>(~3x2m wide) on site.<br>No artificial sources of groundwater /<br>surface water identified within 250m of<br>site.      | Basement will be fully waterproofed as<br>appropriate to industry standard.<br>Given that the pond is artificial and based<br>on the expected ground conditions the<br>pond will almost certainly be lined to<br>isolate it from the local groundwater<br>regime.<br>Low Risk   |
| Surface Water<br>/ Sewer<br>Flooding | The nearest surface water feature is identified as a tertiary river 152m N of site.<br>Condition, depth and location of surrounding infrastructure uncertain. | An increase in impermeable areas is<br>anticipated.<br>As SUDS will be required by NPPF, PPG<br>and LLFA policy requirements, this is likely<br>to be provided by surface and above<br>ground attenuation before releasing to the<br>existing sewer network. This will ensure<br>that the proposed development will not   |

#### Table 5.1: Flood Risks



| Flood<br>Sources  | Site Status  | Comment on flood risk posed to / from the development   |
|-------------------|--|---|
|                   |  | increase the potential risk of groundwater flooding.  |
|                   |  | SUDS such as green/blue roofs, swales,<br>filter drains and underground tanks will be<br>considered in the design (Structural<br>Engineering Planning Report - Price &<br>Myers, 2020). |
|                   |  | Development will utilise existing connection to sewers, gravity drainage and non-return valves.   |
|                   |  | Development unlikely to significantly increase the peak flow / volume of discharge from the site:   |
|                   |  | Low Risk  |
|                   |  | Development will not significantly increase<br>the peak flow and volume of discharge<br>from the site.  |
| Climate<br>Change | Included in the flood modelling extents<br>Site not within climate change flood extent<br>area | The surface water drainage system will be designed for the 1 in 100 years plus climate change storm event. (Structural Engineering Planning Report - Price & Myers, 2020).              |
|                   |  | Low risk posed to and from the development.   |

5.1.2 Based on the available data, the site is in considered to be at low risk from identified potential sources of flooding. The basement can be constructed and operated safely in flood risk terms without increasing flood risk elsewhere and is therefore considered NPPF compliant.

#### 5.2 Surface Water Flood Risk

5.2.1 Based on EA mapping, the site and highways surrounding the site are not within an area identified as a high risk for surface water flooding potential; site itself not likely to be inundated.

#### 5.3 Slight Increase in Impermeable Areas

- 5.3.1 The proposed building has a larger building footprint than the existing one and a new driveway will be built to provide vehicular access from West Heath Road. Therefore, there will be a slight increase in impermeable areas, though this could be mitigated by using permeable paving.
- 5.3.2 In accordance with the NPPF, PPG and LLFA policy requirements, sustainable drainage systems (SUDs) should be incorporated wherever possible to reduce positive surface water run-off and flood risk to other areas.
- 5.3.3 Given the expected underlying ground and hydrogeological conditions it is considered that infiltration drainage may be possible if granular soils directly underlie the site. This should be confirmed by a ground investigation.
  - 5.3.4 It is likely that infiltration SUDS would be restricted by the small size of the site and proximity to buildings and boundary walls.



5.3.5 However, other SUDS such as green/blue roofs, swales, filter drains and underground tanks will be considered in the design (Structural Engineering Planning Report - Price & Myers, 2020).

#### 5.4 Hydrogeology

- 5.4.1 The baseline hydrogeology of the site is based on available hydrogeological mapping, including the BGS online mapping, and generic information obtained from the Groundsure Report.
- 5.4.2 The available data indicates that the geology of the area consists of Bagshot Formation. The BGS considers that there is 'limited potential' for clearwater flooding in the area.

#### 5.5 Sequential and Exception Tests

5.5.1 The Sequential Test aims to ensure that development does not take place in areas at high risk of flooding when appropriate areas of lower risk are reasonably available.

Sequential Test: within FZ1 and no additional dwelling hence pass by default.

5.5.2 Paragraph 19 of PPS25 recognizes the fact that wider sustainable development criteria may require the development of some land that cannot be delivered through the sequential test. In these circumstances, the Exception Test can be applied to some developments depending on their vulnerability classification (Table D.2 of PPS25). The Exception Test provides a method of managing flood risk while still allowing necessary development to occur.

**Exception Test:** FZ1 hence pass by default and low risk posed to and from other sources

#### 5.6 Flood Resilience

- 5.6.1 In accordance with general basement flood policy and basement design, the proposed development will utilize the flood resilient techniques recommended in the NPPF Technical Guidance where appropriate and also the recommendations that have previously been issued by various councils.
- 5.6.2 These include:
  - Basement to be fully waterproofed (tanked) and waterproofing to be tied in to the ground floor slab as appropriate: to reduce the turnaround time for returning the property to full operation after a flood event.
  - Plasterboards will be installed in horizontal sheets rather than conventional vertical installation methods to minimise the amount of plasterboard that could be damaged in a flood event
  - Wall sockets will be raised to as high as is feasible and practicable in order to minimise damage if flood waters inundate the property
  - Any wood fixings on basement / ground floor will be robust and/or protected by suitable coatings in order to minimise damage during a flood event
  - The basement waterproofing where feasible will be extended to an appropriate level above existing ground levels.
  - The concrete sub floor as standard will likely be laid to fall to drains or gullies which will remove any build-up of ground water to a sump pump where it will be pumped into the mains sewer. This pump will be fitted with a non-return valve to prevent water backing up into the property should the mains sewer become full



• Insulation to the external walls will be specified as rigid board which has impermeable foil facings that are resistant to the passage of water vapour and double the thermal resistance of the cavity.



### 6 LAND CONTAMINATION ASSESSMENT

#### 6.1 Industrial and Statutory Consents

6.1.1 The Groundsure Envirolnsight Report provides information on various statutory and industrial consents on and in the vicinity of the site. The following section summarises the information collected from the available sources.

#### **Table 6.1: Industrial and Statutory Consents**

| Type of Consent/Authorisation   | On site | <b>Off-site</b><br>(within 500m of site, unless stated<br>otherwise)                                  | Potential to Impact on<br>Site from a land<br>contamination<br>perspective |
|---|---------|---|--|
| Discharge Consents.   | None    | 1No.; reported 444m SE of the site for<br>unspecified trade discharges.                               | X  |
| Water Industry Act Referrals  | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| Red List Discharges   | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| List 1 and List 2 Dangerous Substances  | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| Control of Major Accident Hazards<br>(COMAH) and Notification of<br>Installations Handling Hazardous<br>Substances (NIHHS) Sites. | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| Planning Hazardous Substance<br>Consents  | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| Category 3 or 4 Radioactive<br>substances Authorisations  | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| Pollution Incidents (List 2).   | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| Pollution Incidents (List 1)  | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| Contaminated Land Register Entries and Notices.   | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| Registered Landfill Sites.  | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | Х  |
| Waste Treatment and/or Transfer Sites.  | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| Fuel Station Entries  | None    | None reported within 500m of the site.  | X  |
| Current Industrial Site Data.   | None    | 1No. reported within 250m of site.<br>Identified as an electricity sub-station 39m<br>SE of the site. | X  |

#### 6.2 Landfill and Made Ground

6.2.1 According to the Environment Agency there are no licensed landfill sites within 1km of the site.



#### 6.3 Environmental Risk - Legislative Framework

- 6.3.1 A qualitative risk assessment has been prepared for the site, based on the information collated. This highlights the potential sources, pathways and receptors. Intrusive investigations will be required to confirm the actual site conditions and risks.
- 6.3.2 Under Part IIA of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, the statutory definition of contaminated land is:

"land which appears to the local authority in whose area it is situated to be in such a condition, by reason of substances in, on or under the land, that:

(a) significant harm is being caused or there is a significant possibility of such harm being caused; or

(b) pollution of controlled waters is being, or is likely to be, caused."

- 6.3.3 The Statutory Guidance provided in the DEFRA Circular 01/2006 lists the following categories of significant harm:
  - death, disease, serious injury, genetic mutation, birth defects or the impairment of reproduction functions in human beings;
  - irreversible adverse change, or threat to endangered species, affecting an ecosystem in a protected area (i.e. site of special scientific interest);
  - death, serious disease or serious physical damage to pets, livestock, game animals or fish;
  - a substantial loss in yield or value of crops, timber or produce; and
  - structural failure, substantial damage or substantial interference with right of occupation to any building.
- 6.3.4 Contaminated land will only be identified when a 'pollutant linkage' has been established.
- 6.3.5 A 'pollutant linkage' is defined in Part IIA as:

#### "A linkage between a contaminant Source and a Receptor by means of a Pathway".

- 6.3.6 Therefore, this report presents an assessment of the potential pollutant linkages that may be associated with the site, in order to determine whether additional investigations are required to assess their significance.
- 6.3.7 In accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework, where development is proposed, the developer is responsible for ensuring that the development is safe and suitable for use for the purpose for which it is intended, or can be made so by remedial action. In particular, the developer should carry out an adequate investigation to inform a risk assessment to determine:
  - whether the land in question is already affected by contamination through source – pathway – receptor pollutant linkages and how those linkages are represented in a conceptual model;
  - whether the development proposed will create new linkages, e.g. new pathways by which existing contaminants might reach existing or proposed receptors and whether it will introduce new vulnerable receptors; and
  - what action is needed to break those linkages and avoid new ones, deal with any unacceptable risks and enable development and future occupancy of the site and neighbouring land.



6.3.8 A potential developer will need to satisfy the Local Authority that unacceptable risk from contamination will be successfully addressed through remediation without undue environmental impact during and following the development.

#### 6.4 Conceptual Site Model

- 6.4.1 On the basis of the information summarised above, a conceptual site model (CSM) has been developed for the site. The CSM is used to guide the investigation activities at the site and identifies potential contamination sources, receptors (both on and off-site) and exposure pathways that may be present. The identification of such potential "pollutant linkages" is a key aspect of the evaluation of potentially contaminated land.
- 6.4.2 The site investigation is then undertaken in order to prove or disprove the presence of these potential source-pathway-receptor linkages. Under current legislation an environmental risk is only deemed to exist if there are proven linkages between all three elements (source, pathway and receptor).
- 6.4.3 This part of the report lists the potential sources, pathways and receptors at the site, and assesses based on current and future land use, whether pollution linkages are possible.
- 6.4.4 Potential pollutant linkages identified at the site are detailed below:

| Source(s)  | Pathway(s)  | Receptor(s)   |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Potential for Made Ground<br/>associated with previous<br/>development operations – on<br/>site (S1)</li> <li>Potential asbestos impacted<br/>soils from demolition of<br/>previous buildings – on site<br/>(S2)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Ingestion and dermal contact with contaminated soil (P1)</li> <li>Inhalation or contact with potentially contaminated dust and vapours (P2)</li> <li>Leaching through permeable soils, migration within the vadose zone (i.e., unsaturated soil above the water table) and/or lateral migration within surface water, as a result of cracked hard standing or via service pipe/corridors and surface water runoff. (P3)</li> <li>Horizontal and vertical migration of contaminants within groundwater (P4)</li> <li>Permeation of water pipes and attack on concrete foundations by aggressive soil conditions (P5)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Construction workers (R1)</li> <li>Maintenance workers (R2)</li> <li>Neighbouring site users (R3)</li> <li>Future site users (R4)</li> <li>Building foundations and on site buried services (water mains, electricity and sewer) (R5)</li> <li>Controlled waters - secondary A aquifer (R6)</li> </ul> |  |  |

#### Table 6.2: Potential Sources, Pathways and Receptors

#### 6.5 Qualitative Risk Estimation

- 6.5.1 Based on information previously presented in this report, a qualitative risk estimation was undertaken.
- 6.5.2 For each potential pollutant linkage identified in the conceptual model, the potential risk can be evaluated, based on the following principle:

Overall contamination risk = Probability of event occurring x Consequence of event occurring



- 6.5.3 In accordance with CIRIA C552, the consequence of a risk occurring has been classified into the following categories:
  - Severe
  - Medium
  - Mild
  - Minor
- 6.5.4 The probability of a risk occurring has been classified into the following categories:
  - High Likelihood
  - Likely
  - Low Likelihood
  - Unlikely
- 6.5.5 This relationship can be represented graphically as a matrix (Table 6.3).

#### Table 6.3: Overall Contamination Risk Matrix

|             |                 | Consequence    |               |               |               |  |
|-------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--|
|             |                 | Severe         | Medium        | Mild          | Minor         |  |
|             | High Likelihood | Very high risk | High risk     | Moderate risk | Low risk      |  |
| Probability | Medium          | High risk      | Moderate risk | Moderate risk | Low risk      |  |
|             | Low Likelihood  | Moderate risk  | Moderate risk | Low risk      | Very low risk |  |
|             | Unlikely        | Low risk       | Low risk      | Very low risk | Very low risk |  |

- 6.5.6 The risk assessment process is based on guidance provided in CIRIA C552 (2001) *Contaminated Land Risk Assessment – A Guide to Good Practice*. Further information including definitions of descriptive terms used in the risk assessment process is included in Appendix 4.
- 6.5.7 The degree of risk is based on a combination of the potential sources and the sensitivity of the environment. The risk classifications can be cross checked with reference to Table A4.4 in Appendix 4.
- 6.5.8 Hazard assessment was also carried out, the outcome of which could be:
  - Urgent Action (UA) required to break existing source-pathway-receptor link.
  - Ground Investigation (GI) required to gather more information.
  - Watching Brief there is no evidence of potential contamination but the possibility of it exists and so the site should be monitored for local and olfactory evidence of contamination.
  - No action required (NA)
- 6.5.9 The preliminary risk assessment for the site is presented in Table 6.4 overleaf.



### Table 6.4: Preliminary Risk Assessment for the Site

| Sources  | Pathways  | Receptors   | Consequence                    | Probability<br>of pollutant<br>linkage | Risk<br>Estimation                    | Hazard Assessment |
|--|---|---|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <ul> <li>Potential for Made<br/>Ground associated<br/>with previous<br/>development<br/>operations – on site<br/>(S1)</li> <li>Potential asbestos<br/>impacted soils from<br/>demolition of<br/>previous buildings –<br/>on site (S2)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Ingestion and dermal contact with contaminated soil (P1)</li> <li>Inhalation or contact with potentially contaminated dust and vapours (P2)</li> <li>Leaching through permeable soils, migration within the vadose zone (i.e., unsaturated soil above the water table) and/or lateral migration within surface water, as a result of cracked hard standing or via service pipe/corridors and surface water runoff. (P3)</li> <li>Horizontal and vertical migration of contaminants within groundwater (P4)</li> <li>Permeation of water pipes and attack on concrete foundations by aggressive soil conditions (P5)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Construction workers (R1)</li> <li>Maintenance workers (R2)</li> <li>Neighbouring site users (R3)</li> <li>Future site users (R4)</li> <li>Building foundations and on<br/>site buried services (water<br/>mains, electricity and sewer)<br/>(R5)</li> <li>Controlled waters -<br/>secondary A aquifer (R6)</li> </ul> | Mild<br>Severe for<br>asbestos | Low<br>Medium for<br>asbestos          | Low risk<br>High risk for<br>asbestos | GI                |



6.5.10 It should be noted that the identification of potential pollutant linkages does not necessarily signify that the site is unsuitable for its current or proposed land use. It does however act as a way of focussing data collection at the site in accordance with regulatory guidance in CLR 11.

#### 6.6 Outcome of Risk Assessment

- 6.6.1 It is understood that the proposed development comprises the excavation of a basement below the existing lower ground floor of a residential property.
- 6.6.2 The risk estimation matrix indicates a **low** risk as defined above. A high risk has been designated due to possible asbestos in the ground.
- 6.6.3 No significant potential sources of contamination were identified during the desk based assessment. It is recommended that a number of soil samples obtained during the geotechnical investigation are analysed for a suite of general contaminants to confirm the lack of contamination within the site.
- 6.6.4 No potential sources of ground gas have been noted, as a consequence ground gas monitoring is not considered to be necessary. However, groundwater will be required for basement design. Consequently, it may be prudent to measure ground gas concentrations at the same time to confirm that there is not an issue.

#### 6.7 List of Key Contaminants

- 6.7.1 The possible contamination implications for both on-site and off-site sources have been assessed based on the information presented in the report. This has been achieved using guidance publications by the Environment Agency, together with other sources.
- 6.7.2 It is recommended that samples are taken and analysed for a broad suite of determinants, including asbestos, to confirm the low risk determination for the site.
- 6.7.3 It is also recommended that testing is undertaken to help categorise the material that will be excavated for waste disposal options.



### 7 SCREENING AND SCOPING ASSESSMENT

#### 7.1 Screening Assessment

- 7.1.1 Screening is the process of determining whether or not there are areas of concern which require a BIA for a particular project. This was undertaken in previous sections by the site characterisation. Scoping is the process of producing a statement which defines further matters of concern identified in the screening stage. This defining is in terms of ground processes in order that a site specific BIA can be designed and executed by deciding what aspects identified in the screening stage require further investigation by desk research or intrusive drilling and monitoring or other work.
- 7.1.2 The scoping stage highlights areas of concern where further investigation, intrusive soil and water testing and groundwater monitoring may be required.
- 7.1.3 This Jomas BIA also takes into account the Campbell Reith pro forma BIA produced on behalf of and published by the London Borough of Camden as guidance for applicants to ensure that all of the required information is provided. Within the pro forma a series of tables have been used to identify what issues are relevant to the site.
- 7.1.4 Each question posed in the tables is completed by answering "Yes", "No" or "Unknown" based on the information obtained so far from the Desk Study. Any question answered with "Yes" or "Unknown" is then subsequently carried forward to the scoping phase of the assessment.
- 7.1.5 The results of the screening process for the site are provided in Table 7.1 below. Where further discussion is required the items have been carried forward to scoping.
- 7.1.6 The numbering within the questions refers the reader to the appropriate question / section in the London Borough of Camden BIA pro forma.
- 7.1.7 A Site Investigation is undertaken where necessary to establish base conditions and the impact assessment determines the impact of the proposed basement on the baseline conditions, taking into account any mitigating measures proposed.

#### Table 7.1: Screening Assessment

| Query | Y / N | Comment |
|-------|-------|---------|
|       |       |         |

# Subterranean (Groundwater) Flow (see London Borough of Camden BIA Pro Forma Section 4.1.1)

| 1a) Is the site located directly above an aquifer?  | Yes     | The site is directly underlain by a Secondary A aquifer.   |
|---|---------|--|
| 1b) Will the proposed basement extend below the surface of the water table?                     | Unknown | Groundwater is anticipated within the Bagshot Formation underlying the site.   |
| 2) Is the site within 100m of a watercourse, well (disused or used) or a potential spring line? | No      | Nearest such feature identified as a spring 200m NE of site.   |
| 3) Is the site within the catchment of the pond chains on Hampstead Heath?                      | Yes     | According to Figure 14 of Arup GSD, the<br>site is within the "Golders Hill Chain<br>Catchment" and therefore part of the<br>catchment of the pond chains on<br>Hampstead Heath. |



| Query  | Y / N | Comment  |
|--|-------|--|
| 4) Will the proposed basement development result in a change in the proportion of hard surfaced/paved areas?   | Yes   | The proposed development will result in an increase in impermeable areas from 620m <sup>2</sup> to 790m <sup>2</sup> . SUDS will be required.                                      |
|  |       | A SUDS Assessment has been produced for the site (Price and Myers, 2020).  |
| 5) As part of the site drainage, will more surface water (e.g. rainfall and run-off) than at present be discharged to the ground (e.g. via soakaways and/or SUDS)?   | No    | There is no reason to believe that more water than at present will be or could be discharged to the ground.  |
| 6) Is the lowest point of the proposed excavation<br>(allowing of any drainage and foundation space<br>under the basement floor) close to, or lower than,<br>the mean water level in any local pond (not just<br>the pond chains on Hampstead Heath or spring<br>line? | No    | Very small man-made ornamental pond on<br>site currently at lower ground floor level.<br>This pond is however lined and will not be a<br>source of water to the local groundwater. |

### Slope Stability (see London Borough of Camden BIA Pro Forma Section 4.2)

| 1) Does the existing site include slopes, natural<br>or manmade, greater than 7 degrees?<br>(approximately 1 in 8)                             | Yes | The existing driveway down from road level leads to lower ground floor level garage.  |
|--|-----|---|
| 2) Will the proposed re-profiling of landscaping change slopes at the property to more than 7 degrees? (approximately 1 in 8)                  | Yes | The proposed new driveway will form a ramp from West Heath Road to a basement car park level at approximately 4.5m below surrounding ground level.  |
| 3) Does the developments' neighbouring land include railway cuttings and the like, with a slope greater than 7 degrees? (approximately 1 in 8) | No  | Surrounding land is mostly residential in nature.   |
| 4) Is the site within a wider hillside setting in which the general slope is greater than 7 degrees? (approximately 1 in 8)                    | No  | Surrounding land is generally level.  |
| 5) Is the London Clay the shallowest strata at the site?   | No  | The site is reportedly directly underlain by the Bagshot Formation (Sand).  |
| 6) Will any trees be felled as part of the proposed development and/or are any works proposed within any tree protection zones where trees are | Yes | Trees H6, T11, T12, G13a and G13b are likely to be felled to facilitate the development.  |
| to be retained?  |     | The lower ground floor is proposed to be constructed within root protection areas for trees numbered T1, T2, T3, T8 and T14.  |
|  |     | Tree numbers as per the arboricultural report (Landmark Trees, 2020).   |
| 7) Is there a history of seasonal shrink-swell subsidence in the local area, and/or evidence of such effects at the site?                      | No  | The site is reportedly directly underlain by<br>the Bagshot Formation (Sand). The site is<br>reported to be in area at negligible risk from<br>shrink-swell clays. It is possible that clays<br>may be present as part of the Bagshot |



| Query   | Y / N        | Comment  |
|---|--------------|--|
|   |              | Formation however these would be<br>expected to have a low volume change<br>potential due to significant sand content.   |
| 8) Is the site within 100m of a watercourse or a spring line?   | No           | Nearest water course is 152m away.   |
| 9) Is the site within an area of previously worked ground?  | No           | The site has previously been developed<br>with previous buildings demolished, but no<br>significant ground working feature has been<br>identified.   |
| 10) Is the site within an aquifer? If so, will the proposed basement extend beneath the water table such that dewatering may be required during construction? | Unknown      | The basement will extend into a Secondary<br>A aquifer, although it is not known how high<br>the water table is. This will be confirmed<br>during the site investigation.                                    |
| 11) Is the site within 50m of the Hampstead Heath ponds?  | No           |  |
| 12) Is the site within 5m of a highway or pedestrian 'right of way'?  | Yes          | The site faces onto a pavement and road on the north and east sides.   |
| 13) Will the proposed basement significantly increase the differential depth of foundations relative to neighbouring properties?                              | Yes          | The new basement foundations will be<br>deeper than those of the existing building.<br>Therefore, there will be an increase the<br>differential depth of foundations relative to<br>neighbouring properties. |
|   |              | A drawing (ref 28585/3100) showing<br>proposed foundations vs neighbouring<br>foundations is presented within the<br>Structural Engineering Planning Report<br>(P&M, 2020).                                  |
| 14) Is the site over (or within the exclusion of) any tunnels e.g. railway lines?   | No           | There are no reports of railway lines or tunnels within close proximity of the site.   |
| Surface Flow and Flooding (see London B   | orough of Ca | mden BIA Pro Forma Section 4.3)  |
| 1) Is the site within the catchment of the pond chains on Hampstead Heath?  | Yes          | According to Figure 14 of Arup GSD, the site is within the "Golders Hill Chain Catchment".   |
|   |              | Very small man-made ornamental pond on site. Pond is likely to be lined and is not considered a risk.  |
| 2) As part of the site drainage, will surface water<br>flows (e.g. volume of rainfall and peak run-off) be<br>materially different from the existing route?   | Yes          | The proposed basement footprint is larger<br>than that of the existing footprint. In<br>addition, a new driveway will be constructed<br>to provide vehicular access from West                                |
| 3) Will the proposed basement development result in a change in the proportion of hard surfaced / paved external areas?                                       | Yes          | Heath Road.<br>As part of the likely required SUDs, new<br>hardstanding areas may be constructed<br>with permeable paving as this would reduce<br>the amount of impermeable paved areas.                     |


| Query  | Y / N | Comment  |
|--|-------|--|
| 4) Will the proposed basement result in changes<br>to the profile of the inflows (instantaneous and<br>long term) of surface water being received by<br>adjacent properties or downstream<br>watercourses?   | Yes   | The proposed development will result in an increase in impermeable areas from 620m <sup>2</sup> to 790m <sup>2</sup> . SUDS will be required.<br>A SUDS Assessment has been produced for the site (Price and Myers, 2020). |
| 5) Will the proposed basement result in changes<br>to the quality of surface waters being received by<br>adjacent properties or downstream<br>watercourses?  | No    | No nearby surface water features to be impacted.   |
| 6) Is the site in an area identified to have surface<br>water flood risk according to either the Local<br>Flood Risk Management Strategy or Strategic<br>Flood Risk Assessment or is it at risk from<br>flooding, for example because the proposed<br>basement is below the static water level of a<br>nearby surface water feature? | No    | No nearby surface water features and not within an EA flood zone.  |

# 7.2 Scoping

- 7.2.1 Scoping is the activity of defining in further detail the matters to be investigated as part of the BIA process. Scoping comprises of the definition of the required investigation needed in order to determine in detail the nature and significance of the potential impacts identified during screening.
- 7.2.2 The potential impacts for each of the matters highlighted in Table 7.1 above are discussed in further detail below together with the requirements for further investigations. Detailed assessment of the potential impacts and recommendations are provided where possible.

# Subterranean (Groundwater) Flow

- 7.2.3 The investigation should confirm the ground conditions beneath the site including if the site is directly above an aquifer (the Secondary A Aquifer) and groundwater levels.
- 7.2.4 This can then confirm the relative depths of the basement to the groundwater levels as well as the relevant levels between the ponds on Hampstead Heath and the basement.
- 7.2.5 Following a review of the ground conditions (once proven) an assessment of the likelihood of groundwater moving between the site and these ponds will be undertaken.
- 7.2.6 The Structural Engineering Planning Report (Price & Myers, 2020) indicates a 32m<sup>3</sup> attenuation tank will be installed the site at 1.5m bgl. Further details are provided within the full report.

#### Land Stability

- 7.2.7 The existing driveway down from road level leads to lower ground floor level garage is noted to be greater than 7°. The Groundsure report has noted that there is at "very low" risk of land instability issues. It should also be noted that the driveway is not a natural slope but is an engineered slope and as such will have been designed taking into account the ground conditions and with a suitable factor of safety. It is therefore considered that investigation works to specifically investigate and model the slope is not required.
- 7.2.8 The investigation should also determine the possibility of encountering groundwater and the possibility of Made Ground and/or sand immediately beneath the site.



- 7.2.9 It is recommended that details of any basement associated with the neighbouring Schreiber House are determined. Given that the swimming pool was originally part of this property it is likely that a basement is present. As the property is a Grade II listed building it may be possible to find documentary evidence for the basement without requiring full survey access to the building.
- 7.2.10 Although the site is reportedly directly underlain by Bagshot Formation (sand), Atterberg Limits of any underlying cohesive soil should be determined as part of the ground investigation.

# Surface Flow and Flooding

- 7.2.11 Although Arup's GSD data indicates that the site is within the "Golders Hill Chain Catchment", the EA classify the site as lying within a FZ1 and therefore it is considered that no further assessment is required with regard to fluvial or tidal flooding.
- 7.2.12 The proposed development will result in an increase in impermeable areas from  $620m^2$  to  $790m^2$ .
- 7.2.13 As SUDs will be required by NPPF, PPG and LLFA policy requirements, this will be provided by surface and above ground attenuation before releasing to the existing sewer network. This will ensure that the proposed development will not increase the potential risk of groundwater flooding. The investigation should provide information that could be used with the SUDs Toolkit if required, to assess the need for SUDs.
- 7.2.14 The SUDs Assessment (Price & Myers, 2020) indicates that a 32m<sup>3</sup> attenuation tank will be installed the site at 1.5m bgl. Further details are provided within the full report.



# 8 **GROUND INVESTIGATION**

#### 8.1 Rationale for Ground Investigation

- 8.1.1 The site investigation has been undertaken generally in accordance with Contaminated Land Report 11, BS10175, NHBC Standards Chapter 4.1, and other associated Statutory Guidance. If required, further targeted investigations and remedial option appraisal would be dependent on the findings of this site investigation.
- 8.1.2 The soil sampling rationale for the site investigation was developed with reference to EA guidance 'Secondary Model Procedure for the Development of Appropriate Soil Sampling Strategies for Land Contamination' (Technical Report P5-066/TR).
- 8.1.3 The sampling proposal was designed in order to gather data representative of the site conditions, to investigate the sources identified in the CSM and to address the issues identified in the Screening and Scoping section of the BIA.

#### 8.2 Scope of Ground Investigation

- 8.2.1 The ground investigation was undertaken on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2017 and consisted of:
  - 2No. windowless sampler boreholes to 5.0mbgl.
  - 1No. Hand excavated trial pit.
- 8.2.2 The work was undertaken in accordance with BS: 5930 'Code of Practice for Site Investigation' and BS: 10175 'Investigation of Potentially Contaminated Sites'. All works were completed without incident.
- 8.2.3 The investigation focused on collecting data on the following:
  - Quality of Made Ground/ natural ground within the site boundaries;
  - Presence of groundwater beneath the site (if any), perched or otherwise;
- 8.2.4 A summary of the fieldwork carried out at the site, with justifications for exploratory hole positions, are offered in Table 8.1 below.

| Investigation<br>Type         | No. of<br>Exploratory<br>Holes Achieved | Exploratory<br>Hole<br>Designation | Depth<br>Achieved<br>(mBGL) | Justification   |
|-------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Hand Dug Trial<br>Pits        | 1                                       | HTP3                               | Up to<br>1mbgl              | To investigate existing building foundations  |
| Window<br>Sample<br>Boreholes | 2                                       | WS1-WS2                            | Up to<br>5mbgl              | Investigate shallow ground condition<br>and collect samples for chemical and<br>geotechnical laboratory testing.<br>To allow insitu geotechnical testing. |
| Monitoring<br>Well            | 2                                       | WS1-WS2                            | Up to<br>5mbgl              | Combined soil gas and groundwater monitoring well.  |

# Table 8.1: Scope of Intrusive Investigation



- 8.2.5 The exploratory holes were completed to allow soil samples to be taken in the areas of interest identified in Table 8.1 above. In all cases, all holes were logged in accordance with BS:5930 (2015).
- 8.2.6 Exploratory hole positions were positioned as shown in the exploratory hole location plan presented in Appendix 1. The exploratory hole records are included in Appendix 5.
- 8.2.7 Installations were finished with a steel cover flush to the ground surface.

# 8.3 Trial Pits to Expose Foundations

- 8.3.1 A single hand excavated pit was undertaken to expose existing foundations.
- 8.3.2 HTP3 was excavated on the outside of the building on the north-eastern side of the house at lower ground floor level. The pit was extended to 1mbgl, exposing a "step" of 0.30m width. The top of the step was measured to 0.50m depth; the base of the step could not be proven, but extended to at least 1mbgl at the base of the pit.
- 8.3.3 HTP1 could not be carried out due to the flooring and cupboards etc. present.
- 8.3.4 HTP2 was attempted twice (HTP2a and HTP2b) neither hole could get through the exceptionally thick concrete flooring of the garage,
- 8.3.5 Copies of the stratigraphical logs and sketches of the foundations can be found in Appendix 5.
- 8.3.6 A drawing (ref 28585/3100) showing proposed foundations vs neighbouring foundations is presented within the Structural Engineering Planning Report (P&M, 2020).

# 8.4 Sampling Rationale

- 8.4.1 Our soil sampling rationale for the site investigation was developed with reference to EA guidance 'Secondary Model Procedure for the Development of Appropriate Soil Sampling Strategies for Land Contamination' (Technical Report P5-066/TR).
- 8.4.2 The exploratory holes were positioned by applying a combined non-targeted sampling strategy.
- 8.4.3 Soil samples were taken from across the site at various depths as shown in the exploratory hole logs.
- 8.4.4 Jomas' engineers normally collect samples at appropriate depths based on field observations such as:
  - appearance, colour and odour of the strata and other materials, and changes in these;
  - the presence or otherwise of sub-surface features such as pipework, tanks, foundations and walls; and,
  - areas of obvious damage, e.g. to the building fabric.
- 8.4.5 A number of the samples were taken from the top 0-1m to aid in the assessment of the pollutant linkages identified at the site. In addition, some deeper samples were taken to aid in the interpretation of fate and transport of any contamination identified.
- 8.4.6 Samples were stored in cool boxes (<4°C) and preserved in accordance with laboratory guidance.
- 8.4.7 Disturbed samples were collected for geotechnical analysis.



8.4.8 Groundwater strikes noted during drilling, are recorded within the exploratory hole records in Appendix 5.

# 8.5 Sampling Limitations

- 8.5.1 4No. hand excavated trial pits were proposed along with 4No. window sample boreholes. Only 1No. pit and 2No. boreholes could be completed due to time and access constraints. The information obtained is considered sufficient for this assessment.
- 8.5.2 The base of the foundation could not be proven at HTP1 as it extended beyond the depth that was possible to excavate by hand without shoring, for health and safety purposes.

# 8.6 In-situ Geotechnical Testing

8.6.1 In-situ geotechnical testing included Standard Penetration Tests (SPT) to determine a 'N' value. This has been used to determine a relative density description of granular materials and has been used to help determine the undrained shear strength of cohesive materials.

# 8.7 Laboratory Analysis

8.7.1 A programme of laboratory testing, scheduled by Jomas, was carried out on selected samples of Made Ground and natural strata.

# **Chemical Testing**

- 8.7.2 Soil samples were submitted to i2 Analytical (a UKAS and MCerts accredited laboratory), for analysis.
- 8.7.3 The samples were analysed for a wide range of contaminants as shown in Table 8.2 below:

|                           | No. of tests             |         |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------|--|--|--|
| Test Suite                | Made Ground /<br>Topsoil | Natural |  |  |  |
| Jomas Suite 3             | 3                        | 0       |  |  |  |
| Total Organic Carbon      | 2                        | 0       |  |  |  |
| Water Soluble Sulphate    | 3*                       | 3       |  |  |  |
| Asbestos                  | 2                        | 0       |  |  |  |
| Waste Acceptance Criteria | 1                        | 0       |  |  |  |

# Table 8.2: Chemical Tests Scheduled

\*Tested for as part of Jomas Suite S3

8.7.4 The determinands contained in the basic suite are as detailed in Table 8.3 below:

# Table 8.3: Basic Suite of Determinands

| DETERMINAND           | LIMIT OF<br>DETECTION<br>(mg/kg) | UKAS<br>ACCREDITATION | TECHNIQUE   |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| Arsenic               | 1                                | Y (MCERTS)            | ICPMS       |
| Cadmium               | 0.2                              | Y (MCERTS)            | ICPMS       |
| Chromium              | 1                                | Y (MCERTS)            | ICPMS       |
| Chromium (Hexavalent) | 4                                | Y (MCERTS)            | Colorimetry |
| Lead                  | 1                                | Y (MCERTS)            | ICPMS       |



| DETERMINAND                              | LIMIT OF<br>DETECTION<br>(mg/kg) | UKAS<br>ACCREDITATION | TECHNIQUE          |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Mercury                                  | 0.3                              | Y (MCERTS)            | ICPMS              |
| Nickel                                   | 1                                | Y (MCERTS)            | ICPMS              |
| Selenium                                 | 1                                | PENDING               | ICPMS              |
| Copper                                   | 1                                | Y (MCERTS)            | ICPMS              |
| Zinc                                     | 1                                | Y (MCERTS)            | ICPMS              |
| Boron (Water Soluble)                    | 0.2                              | Y (MCERTS)            | ICPMS              |
| pH Value                                 | 0.1 units                        | Y (MCERTS)            | Electrometric      |
| Sulphate (Water Soluble)                 | 0.0125g/l                        | Y (MCERTS)            | Ion Chromatography |
| Total Cyanide                            | 1                                | Y (MCERTS)            | Colorimetry        |
| Speciated PAH                            | 0.05/0.80                        | Y (MCERTS)            | GCFID              |
| Phenols                                  | 1                                | Y (MCERTS)            | HPLC               |
| Total Petroleum<br>Hydrocarbons (banded) | -                                | Ν                     | Gas Chromatography |

- 8.7.5 To support the derivation of appropriate tier 1 screening values, 2No samples were analysed for total organic carbon.
- 8.7.6 Laboratory test results are summarised in Section 10, with raw laboratory data included in Appendix 6.

# Geotechnical Laboratory Testing

- 8.7.7 In addition to the contamination assessment, soil samples were submitted to the UKAS Accredited laboratory of i2 Analytical for the following assessment:
  - 4No. Moisture Content Determinations
  - 4No. Atterberg Limits
  - 1No. Particle Size Distribution
- 8.7.8 All testing was in accordance with BS 1377.
- 8.7.9 The pH and sulphate results from the chemical testing were used for concrete classification purposes.
- 8.7.10 In-situ geotechnical testing included Standard Penetration Tests (SPT) to determine a 'N' value. This has been used to determine a relative density description of granular materials and has been used to help determine the undrained shear strength of cohesive materials.
- 8.7.11 The results of the geotechnical laboratory testing are presented as Appendix 7 and discussed in Section 14 of this report.



# 9 **GROUND CONDITIONS**

# 9.1 Soil

9.1.1 Ground conditions were logged in accordance with the requirements of BS: 5930 (2015). Detailed exploratory hole logs are provided in Appendix 5. The ground conditions encountered are summarised in Table 9.1 below, based on the strata observed during the investigation.

| Stratum and Description  | Encountered<br>from (m bgl) | Base of strata<br>(m bgl)                 | Thickness<br>range (m) |
|--|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Brown slightly clayey gravelly sand.<br>Gravel consists of flint, brick and<br>glass.<br>(MADE GROUND)<br>Encountered to base of HTP3. | 0.0                         | 0.70 - >1.00<br>Terminal depth<br>in HTP3 | 0.70 - >1.00           |
| Orange to brown slightly sandy<br>CLAY.<br>(BAGSHOT FORMATION – CLAY)<br>Encountered to base of both<br>boreholes.                     | 0.70 - 1.00                 | >4.50 - >5.00                             | >1.10 - >3.50          |
| Medium dense orange to brown<br>clayey fine to medium SAND.<br>(BAGSHOT FORMATION – SAND)<br>Encountered within WS1 only.              | 3.10                        | 3.90                                      | 0.80                   |

9.1.2 Given the materials expected on site and the descriptions of these materials, provided by the BGS, (See Section 3.2), it is considered that the material observed in the exploratory holes represents Made Ground overlying cohesive deposits of the Bagshot Formation - Clay with some pockets of granular Bagshot Formation - Sand.

# 9.2 Hydrogeology

- 9.2.1 Groundwater was not reported during drilling of the exploratory holes.
- 9.2.2 During the post drilling monitoring both WS1 and WS2 were reported as being dry to the base of the wells at 4.89m and 4.56m bgl respectively.

# 9.3 Physical and Olfactory Evidence of Contamination

9.3.1 Visual or olfactory evidence of contamination was not observed during the course of the investigation.



# 10 RISK ASSESSMENT – ANALYTICAL FRAMEWORK

# 10.1 Context and Objectives

- 10.1.1 This section seeks to evaluate the level of risk pertaining to human health and the environment which may result from both the existing use and proposed future use of the site. It makes use of the site investigation findings, as described in the previous sections, to evaluate further the potential pollutant linkages identified in the desk study. A combination of qualitative and quantitative techniques is used, as described below.
- 10.1.2 The purpose of generic quantitative risk assessment is to compare concentrations of contaminants found on site against screening level generic assessment criteria (GAC) to establish whether there are actual or potential unacceptable risks. It also determines whether further detailed assessment is required. The approaches detailed all broadly fit within a tiered assessment structure in line with the framework set out in the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), EA and Institute for Environment and Health Publication, Guidelines for Environmental Risk Assessment and Management.
- 10.1.3 It should be noted that the statistical tests carried out in this report in accordance with CL:AIRE and CIEH (2008) recommendations, are for guidance purposes only and the conclusions of this report should be approved by the local authority prior to any redevelopment works being undertaken.

# 10.2 Analytical Framework – Soils

- 10.2.1 There is no single methodology that covers all the various aspects of the assessment of potentially contaminated land and groundwater. Therefore, the analytical framework adopted for this investigation is made up of a number of procedures, which are outlined below. All of these are based on a Risk Assessment methodology centred on the identification and analysis of Source Pathway Receptor linkages.
- 10.2.2 The CLEA model provides a methodology for quantitative assessment of the long term risks posed to human health by exposure to contaminated soils. Toxicological data have been used to calculate Soil Guideline Values (SGV) for individual contaminants, based on the proposed site use; these represent minimal risk concentrations and may be used as screening values.
- 10.2.3 In the absence of any published SGVs for certain substances, or where the assumptions made in generating the SGVs do not apply to the site, JOMAS have derived Tier 1 screening values for initial assessment of the soil, based on available current UK guidance including the LQM/CIEH generic assessment criteria. Site-specific assessments are undertaken wherever possible and/or applicable. All assessments are carried out in accordance with the CLEA protocol.
- 10.2.4 CLEA requires a statistical treatment of the test results to take into account the normal variations in concentration of potential contaminants in the soil and allow comparisons to be made with published guidance.
- 10.2.5 The assessment criteria used for the screening of determinands within soils are identified within Table 10.1.



| Substance Group                              | Determinand(s)  | Assessment Criteria<br>Selected |  |
|--|---|---------------------------------|--|
| Organic Substances                           |   |                                 |  |
| Non-halogenated<br>Hydrocarbons              | Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPHCWG banded)  | S4UL                            |  |
|  | Total Phenols   | S4UL                            |  |
| Polycyclic Aromatic<br>Hydrocarbons (PAH-16) | Naphthalene, Acenaphthylene,<br>Acenaphthene, Fluorene, Phenanthrene,<br>Anthracene, Fluoranthene, Pyrene,<br>Benz(a)anthracene, Chrysene,<br>Benzo(b)fluoranthene, Benzo(k)fluoranthene,<br>Benzo(a)pyrene, Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene,<br>Dibenz(a,h)anthracene, Benzo(ghi)perylene | S4UL                            |  |
| Volatile Organic Compounds                   | Toluene, Ethylbenzene   | S4UL                            |  |
| (1003/31003).                                | Benzene, Xylenes  | S4UL                            |  |
| Inorganic Substances                         |   |                                 |  |
| Heavy Metals and Metalloids                  | Arsenic, Cadmium, Chromium, Lead,<br>Mercury, Nickel, Selenium, Copper, Zinc  | S4UL                            |  |
|  | Copper, Zinc, Nickel  | BS: 3882 (2015).                |  |
| Cyanides                                     | Free Cyanide  | CLEA v1.06                      |  |
| Sulphates                                    | Water Soluble Sulphate  | BRE Special Digest<br>1:2005    |  |

# Table 10.1: Selected Assessment Criteria – Contaminants in Soils

# 10.3 BRE

10.3.1 The BRE Special Digest 1:2005, 'Concrete in Aggressive Ground' is used with soluble sulphate and pH results to assess the aggressive chemical environment of future underground concrete structures at the site.

# 10.4 Site Specific Criteria

10.4.1 The criteria adopted in the selection of correct screening criteria from published reports as previously described, are provided within Tables 10.2.

#### Table 10.2: Site Specific Data

| Input Details       | Value                         |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Land Use            | Residential with plant uptake |
| Soil Type           | Clay                          |
| рН                  | 8                             |
| Soil Organic Matter | 1%                            |



- 10.4.2 A pH value of '8' has been used for the derivation of generic screening criteria as 7.74 was the mean pH value of samples analysed.
- 10.4.3 As the published reports only offer the option of selecting an SOM value of 1%, 2.5% or 6%, an SOM value of 1% has been used for the generation of generic assessment criteria, as 0.5% was the mean value obtained from laboratory analysis.
- 10.4.4 It is understood that the proposal for the site is to excavate a basement beneath the existing lower ground floor of the residential property.



# 11 GENERIC QUANTITATIVE RISK ASSESSMENT

# 11.1 Screening of Soil Chemical Analysis Results – Human Health Risk Assessment

- 11.1.1 To focus on the contaminants of potential concern (COPC), the results have been compared with the respective SGV/GAC. Those contaminants which exceed the SGV/GAC are considered to be the COPC. Those which do not exceed the respective SGV/GAC are not considered to be COPC and as such do not require further assessment in relation to the proposed development of the site.
- 11.1.2 Laboratory analysis for soils are summarised in Tables 11.1 to 11.3. Raw laboratory data is included in Appendix 6.

|                                |       | No.               | Screening Criteria |                  | Results | s (mg/kg) |                          |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------|-----------|--------------------------|
| Determinand Unit samp<br>teste |       | samples<br>tested | Source             | Value<br>(mg/kg) | Min     | Мах       | No. Exceeding            |
| Arsenic                        | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 37               | 5.9     | 20        | 0                        |
| Cadmium                        | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 11               | <0.2    | 0.5       | 0                        |
| Chromium                       | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 910              | 9.3     | 32        | 0                        |
| Lead                           | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 200              | 39      | 1000      | 1No.; WS1 at<br>0.50mbgl |
| Mercury                        | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 40               | <0.3    | 1.0       | 0                        |
| Nickel                         | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 180              | 8.0     | 14        | 0                        |
| Copper                         | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 2400             | 9.4     | 56        | 0                        |
| Zinc                           | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 3700             | 37      | 150       | 0                        |
| Total Cyanide <sup>B</sup>     | mg/kg | 4                 | CLEA v<br>1.06     | 33               | <1.0    | <1.0      | 0                        |
| Selenium                       | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 250              | <1.0    | <1.0      | 0                        |
| Water Soluble<br>Boron         | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 290              | 0.6     | 1. 2      | 0                        |
| Phenols                        | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 120              | <1.0    | <1.0      | 0                        |

#### Table 11.1: Soil Laboratory Analysis Results – Metals, Metalloids, Phenol, Cyanide

#### Table 11.2: Soil Laboratory Analysis Results – Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)

| Determinand    |       | No.               | Screening | g Criteria       | Result (mg/kg) |       | No        |
|----------------|-------|-------------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|-------|-----------|
|                | Unit  | Samples<br>Tested | Source    | Value<br>(mg/kg) | Min            | Max   | Exceeding |
| Naphthalene    | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL      | 2.3              | <0.05          | <0.05 | 0         |
| Acenaphthylene | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL      | 170              | <0.05          | <0.05 | 0         |
| Acenaphthene   | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL      | 210              | <0.05          | <0.05 | 0         |
| Fluorene       | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL      | 170              | <0.05          | <0.05 | 0         |
| Phenanthrene   | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL      | 95               | <0.05          | 0.75  | 0         |
| Anthracene     | mg/kg | 4                 | LQM GAC   | 2400             | <0.05          | <0.05 | 0         |

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|                      |       | No.               | Screening Criteria |                  | Result (mg/kg) |      | No        |
|----------------------|-------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------|------|-----------|
| Determinand          | Unit  | Samples<br>Tested | Source             | Value<br>(mg/kg) | Min            | Max  | Exceeding |
| Fluoranthene         | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 280              | <0.05          | 1.6  | 0         |
| Pyrene               | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 620              | <0.05          | 1.4  | 0         |
| Benzo(a)anthracene   | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 7.2              | <0.05          | 0.75 | 0         |
| Chrysene             | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 15               | <0.05          | 0.98 | 0         |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 2.6              | <0.05          | 0.98 | 0         |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 77               | <0.05          | 0.69 | 0         |
| Benzo(a)pyrene       | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 2.2              | <0.05          | 0.94 | 0         |
| Indeno(123-cd)pyrene | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 27               | <0.05          | 0.60 | 0         |
| Dibenz(ah)anthracene | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 0.24             | <0.05          | 0.13 | 0         |
| Benzo(ghi)perylene   | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL               | 320              | <0.05          | 0.60 | 0         |
| Total PAH            | mg/kg | 4                 | -                  | -                | <0.80          | 9.45 | -         |

Table 11.3: Soil Laboratory Analysis- Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH)

|                                   |       | No.               | Screenin | g Criteria Result (n | (mg/kg | No   |           |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------------------|----------|----------------------|--------|------|-----------|
| TPH Band                          | Unit  | Samples<br>Tested | Source   | Value<br>(mg/kg)     | Min    | Max  | Exceeding |
| C <sub>8</sub> -C <sub>10</sub>   | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL     | 27                   | <0.1   | <0.1 | 0         |
| >C <sub>10</sub> -C <sub>12</sub> | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL     | 74                   | <2.0   | <2.0 | 0         |
| >C <sub>12</sub> -C <sub>16</sub> | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL     | 140                  | <4.0   | <4.0 | 0         |
| >C <sub>16</sub> -C <sub>21</sub> | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL     | 260                  | <1.0   | 11   | 0         |
| >C <sub>21</sub> -C <sub>35</sub> | mg/kg | 4                 | S4UL     | 1100                 | <10    | 46   | 0         |

\*lowest of aliphatics/aromatics used.

# 11.2 Asbestos in Soil

11.2.1 2No. samples of the Made Ground were screened in the laboratory for the presence of asbestos. The results of the analysis is summarised below in Table 11.4 below

# Table 11.4: Asbestos Analysis – Summary

| Sample          | Screening<br>result. | Quantification<br>Result (%) | Comments   |
|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------------|--|
| HTP3 – 0.20mbgl | None Detected        | N/A                          | N/A  |
| WS2 – 0.50mbgl  | Detected             | 0.017                        | Chrysotile – loose fibres and loose fibrous debris |

# 11.2.2 The results reported an asbestos content of below 0.1%, the fibre content at which arisings are considered hazardous for the purpose of disposal.



11.2.3 It should be noted that for the purposes of human health assessment there is no level of asbestos below which it is deemed the materials are "safe".

# 11.3 Screening of Soil Chemical Analysis Results – Potential Risks to Plant Growth

- 11.3.1 Zinc, copper and nickel are phytotoxins and could therefore inhibit plant growth in soft landscaped areas. Concentrations measured in soil for these determinands have been compared with the pH dependent values given in BS:3882 (2015).
- 11.3.2 Adopting a pH value of greater than 7, as indicated by the results of the laboratory analysis, the following is noted;

|             |                            | <b>,</b> ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |                |                  |
|-------------|----------------------------|--|----------------|------------------|
| Determinand | Threshold level<br>(mg/kg) | Min<br>(mgkg)                            | Max<br>(mg/kg) | No.<br>Exceeding |
| Zinc        | 300                        | 37                                       | 150            | 0                |
| Copper      | 200                        | 9.4                                      | 56             | 0                |
| Nickel      | 110                        | 8.0                                      | 14             | 0                |

# Table 11.5: Soil Laboratory Analysis Results – Phytotoxic Determinands

# 11.4 Screening for Water Pipes

11.4.1 The results of the analysis have been assessed for potential impact upon water supply pipes. Table 11.6 below summarises the findings of the assessment:

| Determinand | Threshold adopted | Value for sit | te data (mg/kg) |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------|
|             | for PE (mg/kg)    | Min           | Мах             |
| Total VOCs  | 0.5               | N/A           | N/A             |
| BTEX        | 0.1               | N/A           | N/A             |
| MTBE        | 0.1               | N/A           | N/A             |
| EC5-EC10    | 1                 | <0.1          | <0.1            |
| EC10-EC16   | 10                | <6.0          | <6.0            |
| EC16-EC40   | 500               | <11           | 57              |
| Naphthalene | 5                 | <0.05         | <0.05           |
| Phenols     | 2                 | <1.0          | <1.0            |

#### Table 11.6: Screening Guide for Water Pipes

11.4.4 Determinands marked "N/A" were not analysed for as no evidence of their presence was obtained from the Desk Study.

#### 11.5 Waste Characterisation and Disposal

- 11.5.1 The following comments are given as guidance and should be confirmed by the waste disposal facility accepting the waste. The waste disposal facility may have their own classification methodology and are under no obligation to honour the comments given below.
- 11.5.2 A single sample from WS2 at 1mbgl was submitted to a UKAS and MCERTS accredited laboratory for Waste Acceptance Criteria testing. The results indicate that soil arisings meet the criteria for disposal at an "inert waste landfill".



- 11.5.3 Additional chemical testing of samples as outlined in Tables 11.1 11.3 above, confirmed that TPH were reported at <500mg/kg; PAH were reported at <100mg/kg.
- 11.5.4 Asbestos fibres were detected in a single sample and quantified at 0.017%. This is below the limit of 0.1% the fibre content at which arisings are considered hazardous for the purpose of disposal.
- 11.5.5 However, the receiving facility will need to review the Total Lead concentrations reported to confirm if the waste is acceptable.



# 12 SOIL GAS RISK ASSESSMENT

# 12.1 Soil Gas Results

- 12.1.1 Three return monitoring visits have been undertaken to monitor wells installed within the boreholes at the site for groundwater levels. In addition, ground gas concentrations were also recorded to confirm the comments made in Section 5.5.
- 12.1.2 Wells were installed into WS1 and WS2 during Jomas' investigation on the 27<sup>th</sup> June 2017 and were monitored on 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017.
- 12.1.3 A complete set of monitoring results is included in Appendix 8 and summarised below in Table 12.1.

| Hole<br>No. | CH₄<br>(%) | CO₂<br>(%) | O2<br>(%) | H₂S<br>(ppm) | VOCs<br>(ppm) | Peak<br>Flow<br>Rate<br>(I/hr) | Depth to<br>water<br>(m bgl) | Depth of<br>installation<br>(m bgl) |
|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| WS1         | 0.0-0.1    | 1.0-1.7    | 19.5-19.8 | 0            | 1-40          | 0.0-0.5                        | Dry                          | 4.89                                |
| WS2         | 0.0-0.1    | 0.6-0.9    | 19.8-20.2 | 0            | 1-51          | 0.0-0.4                        | Dry                          | 4.56                                |

# Table 12.1: Summary of Gas Monitoring Data

# 12.2 Screening of Results

- 12.2.1 Methane was reported to a maximum concentration 0.1% v/v. The carbon dioxide was noted to a maximum concentration of 1.7%. Oxygen levels during the monitoring visit ranged between 19.5% v/v and 20.2% v/v. Volatile organic compounds (VOCs) were noted at levels peaking at 51ppm, though the reading stabilised at 20ppm. Carbon monoxide and hydrogen sulphide were not noted.
- 12.2.2 The atmospheric pressure was noted to range between 993 and 1007mb, with the pressure trend rising and falling at different visits.
- 12.2.3 In the assessment of risks posed by hazardous ground gases and selection of appropriate mitigation measures, BS84985 (2015) identifies four types of development, termed Type A to Type D.
- 12.2.4 Type A buildings are defined as

"private ownership with no building management controls on alterations to the internal structure, the use of rooms, the ventilation of rooms or the structural fabric of the building. Some small rooms present. Probably conventional building construction (rather than civil engineering). Examples include private housing and some retail premises."

- 12.2.5 Type A has been adopted as the relevant category for the proposed development.
- 12.2.6 The soil gas assessment method is based on that proposed by Wilson & Card (1999), which was a development of a method proposed in CIRIA publication R149 (CIRIA, 1995). The method uses both gas concentrations and borehole flow rates to define a characteristic situation based on the limiting borehole gas volume flow for methane and carbon dioxide. In both these methods, the limiting borehole gas volume flow is renamed as the Gas Screening Value (GSV).
- 12.2.7 The Gas Screening Value (litres of gas per hour) is calculated by using the following equation

# GSV = (Concentration/100) X Flow rate



- 12.2.8 Where concentration is measured in percent (%) and flow rate is measured in litres per hour (l/hr)
- 12.2.9 The Characteristic Situation is then determined from Table 8.5 of CIRIA C665.
- 12.2.10 To accord with C665, worst case conditions are used in the calculation of GSVs for the site. These have been summarised below in Table 12.2
- 12.2.11 A worst-case flow rate of 0.5/hr (maximum reported) will be used in the calculation of GSVs for the site.

| Gas             | Concentration<br>(v/v %) | Peak Flow Rate<br>(I/hr) | GSV (l/hr) | Characteristic<br>Situation (after<br>CIRIA C665) |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------|---|
| CO <sub>2</sub> | 1.7                      | 0.5                      | 0.0085     | 1   |
| CH <sub>4</sub> | 0.1                      | 0.5                      | 0.0005     | 1   |

Table 12.2: Summary of Gas Monitoring Data

- 12.2.12 The result of the GSV calculation would indicate that the site may be classified as Characteristic Situation 1, where no special precautions are required.
- 12.2.13 Due to the construction of a basement, the basement floor and walls will need to be constructed and water proofed such that they conform to BS: 8102 (2009), Grade 3 waterproofing. This would provide 2.5 protection points in accordance with BS: 8584 (2015).



# 13 SUMMARY OF RESULTS

#### 13.1 Risk Assessment - Land Quality Impact Summary

- 13.1.1 Following the site investigation, the following is noted:
  - It is understood that the proposed development will comprise the excavation of a basement below the existing ground floor level of the residential property.
  - Following generic risk assessments, an elevated concentration of lead was reported in WS1 at 0.50mbgl.
  - A single sample (WS2 at 0.50mbgl) tested positive for asbestos in the form of chrysotile

     loose fibres/loose fibrous debris. This was quantified at 0.017%, below the limit at which fibres are considered hazardous for disposal purposes. It should be noted that for the purposes of human health assessment there is no level of asbestos below which it is deemed the materials are "safe".
  - Results of WAC testing indicate that waste soils meet the criteria for disposal as "inert" waste. The receiving facility may also consider the Lead concentration prior to confirming they are able to accept the waste soils.
  - The site proposal indicates that parts of the site will remain covered by a combination of the proposed building footprint and hard surfacing. Where this is the case, no formal remedial measures are considered necessary in terms of human health, as the building and hard surfacing are expected to provide a barrier to potential receptors. In areas of soft landscaping, certified clean topsoil will be required. Further testing may be undertaken to confirm if the Lead concentrations and asbestos persists across the topsoil/made ground existing on site.
  - The site is underlain by solid deposits of the Bagshot Formation, defined as a Secondary A aquifer. No groundwater was encountered during intrusive works or subsequent monitoring visits, with wells extending beyond 4.5mbgl. There are no source protection zones in close proximity to the site and the nearest surface water feature is a tertiary river 152m N of site. As a result, the risk to controlled waters is considered low.
  - Calculating the Gas Screening Value using worst case results indicates Characteristic Situation 1. This would indicate that no special precautions are required. Assuming that the basement development is constructed to the necessary standards and guidelines it would provide a minimum of 2.5 gas protection points.
  - As with any ground investigation, the presence of further hotspots between sampling points cannot be ruled out. Should any contamination be encountered, a suitably qualified environmental consultant should be informed immediately, so that adequate measures may be recommended.
- 13.1.2 The above conclusions are made subject to approval by the statutory regulatory bodies.

# 13.2 Review of Pollutant Linkages Following Site Investigation

13.2.1 The site CSM has been revised and updated from that suggested in the desk study in view of the ground investigation data, including soil laboratory analysis results. Table 13.1 highlights whether pollutant linkages identified in the original CSM are still relevant following the risk assessment, or whether pollutant linkages, not previously identified, exist.



| Potential Source<br>(from desk study)  | Pathway   | Receptor  | Relevant<br>Pollutant<br>Linkage? | Comment   |
|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| <ul> <li>Potential for Made Ground<br/>associated with previous<br/>development operations – on<br/>site (S1)</li> <li>Potential asbestos impacted<br/>soils from demolition of<br/>previous buildings – on site<br/>(S2)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Ingestion and dermal contact with contaminated soil (P1)</li> <li>Inhalation or contact with potentially contaminated dust and vapours (P2)</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Construction workers (R1)</li> <li>Maintenance workers (R2)</li> <li>Neighbouring site users (R3)</li> <li>Future site users (R4)</li> <li>Building foundations and on site buried services (water mains, electricity and sewer) (R5)</li> </ul> | Y                                 | see 13.1 above for remedial measures.<br>The findings of this report should be included in the construction health<br>and safety file, with adequate measures put in place for the protection<br>of construction and maintenance workers. |
|  | <ul> <li>Leaching through<br/>permeable soils,<br/>migration within the<br/>vadose zone (i.e.,<br/>unsaturated soil above<br/>the water table) and/or<br/>lateral migration within<br/>surface water, as a result<br/>of cracked hardstanding<br/>or via service<br/>pipe/corridors and surface<br/>water runoff. (P3)</li> <li>Horizontal and vertical<br/>migration of contaminants<br/>within groundwater (P4)</li> <li>Permeation of water<br/>pipes and attack on<br/>concrete foundations by<br/>aggressive soil conditions<br/>(PE)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Neighbouring site users (R3)</li> <li>Building foundations and on site buried services (water mains, electricity and sewer) (R5)</li> <li>Controlled Waters - Secondary A aquifer (R6)</li> </ul>  | X                                 | Remedial measures not considered necessary.<br>Contact should be made with relevant utility providers to confirm if<br>upgraded materials are required.   |

# Table 13.1: Plausible Pollutants Linkages Summary

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# 14 GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING RECOMMENDATIONS

# 14.1 Introduction

- 14.1.1 The proposed development involves the demolition of the existing house at 35 Templewood Avenue and construction of a new house with basement and sub-basement; the lower level being used for plant equipment. The existing pool (originally part of the neighbouring Schreiber house) will be retained and underpinned all the way around the outer walls that currently support the glass dome. Above ground, the new house will be "L" shaped, wrapping around the southern and eastern sides of the existing Schreiber pool. The new basement will wrap around the south facing side of the existing Schreiber pool. Part of the new basement will be used as a car park and a new ramp, constructed in reinforced concrete, will run from West Heath Road along the boundary wall with the Schreiber House. A new swimming pool is also proposed within the basement.
- 14.1.2 The existing lower ground floor (which is present over much of the existing building footprint) formation level ranges between approximately 111.0m and 112.0m OD.
- 14.1.3 The structural slab level of the proposed basement ranges between 108.00m and 109.87m OD. The structural slab level of the proposed sub-basement is 106.87m OD.
- 14.1.4 Limited structural engineering design information, with respect to the type of construction and associated structural loadings, was provided at the time of preparing this report. Consequently, a detailed discussion of all the problems that may arise during the proposed redevelopment scheme is beyond the scope of this report.
- 14.1.5 Practical solutions to the difficulties encountered, both prior to, and during construction, are frequently decided by structural constraints or economical factors. For these reasons, this discussion is predominantly confined to remarks of a general nature, which are based on site conditions encountered during the intrusive investigations.
- 14.1.6 The Structural Engineering Planning Report (Price & Myers, 2020) outlines the proposed construction sequence. This is summarised in the following indicative key construction stages, though the full report should be referred to for full details:
  - 1. Demolition of existing building including foundations.
  - 2. Underpinning works relating to the construction of the side wall of the car park ramp driveway along the Schreiber House boundary and plant/condenser room in north of site. Single stage construction at first for shallower pins, then two-stage underpinning sequence will be required when with two lines of horizontal propping when approaching the car park at approx. 4.5m bgl.
  - 3. Form initial section of car park ramp driveway on the side of the existing Schreiber pool by suitably sloping the excavated ground and shuttering the wall on both sides.
  - 4. Continue the wall construction following a typical underpinning sequence.
  - 5. Excavate central soil mass and install temporary two-level propping system. Install buried drainage, heave board and cast basement slab.
  - 6. Within the basement car park area, form the first stage of underpinning along the party walls with Schreiber House and 33 Templewood Avenue, and to the existing pool.
  - 7. Excavate central soil mass and install temporary three-level propping system and carry out second stage of underpinning. Install buried drainage, heave board and cast basement slab.
  - 8. Form the proposed pool basement box in north-east of site using the same typical underpinning sequence as outlined previously for the car park/ramp areas. The underpinning works would begin at the West Heath Road end (north) by



constructing walls for the new lightwell. A concrete ring beam will provide propping.

- 9. The pool structure will be formed later either by the main contractor or by a specialist pool subcontractor.
- 10. The remaining section of basement, at the higher level, can also be formed to the side of the car park. It should be possible to form this section in single stage pins.
- 11. Begin construction of the section of first level basement directly above the second level basement that will be used for plant equipment. Carry out the single stage pins along the party wall with 33 Templewood Avenue and along the boundary line with Templewood Avenue.
- 12. Upon completion of the perimeter pins, reduce the ground sufficiently to install a propping grid spanning from the top of the pins along the boundary walls to the sections of basement slabs already constructed. Excavate down sufficiently to install a second level of props. Cast the section of basement ground bearing slab on the side of Templewood Avenue.
- 13. begin the underpinning works for the second level of basement. Following the principles proposed in the previous steps, excavate the single stage pins forming the perimeter of the second level basement.
- 14. reduce the ground sufficiently to allow the introduction of a propping grid just below the new first level basement suspended ground slab. Proceed with the excavation of the central soil mass sufficiently to install the final grid of props just above the second level basement ground bearing slab. Introduce the necessary drainage and heave protection boards and cast the ground bearing slab.
- 15. Cast the second level basement roof slab.
- 16. Cast the remaining section of ground floor slab. Remove all propping. Basement works complete.
- 17. Construct the reinforced concrete superstructure.

# 14.2 Geotechnical Results Summary

- 14.2.1 A complete set of exploratory hole logs can be found in Appendix 5. Copies of the Geotechnical Laboratory Test Results can be found in Appendix 7.
- 14.2.2 The results of the ground investigation revealed a ground profile comprising Made Ground (up to at least 1m thick), overlying orange brown medium to high strength slightly sandy clay to the base of the boreholes at 5mbgl.
- 14.2.3 A summary of ground conditions obtained from the ground investigation and subsequent laboratory testing, is provided in Table 14.1 below.

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| Strata                               | Made Ground | Bagshot Formation -<br>Clay | Bagshot Formation -<br>Sand |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Encountered from (m bgl)             | GL          | 0.70 - 1.00                 | 3.10                        |
| Base of strata (m bgl)               | 0.70 - 1.00 | >4.50 - >5.00               | 3.90                        |
| Thickness range (m)                  | 0.70 - 1.00 | >1.10 - >3.50               | 0.80                        |
| SPT 'N' Value                        | -           | 4 - 52                      | 22                          |
| Inferred Shear Strength (kPa)        | -           | 18 - 234                    | -                           |
| Moisture content (%)                 |             | 11 - 25                     | -                           |
| Liquid Limit (%)                     | -           | 37 - 59                     | -                           |
| Plastic Limit (%)                    | -           | 19 - 27                     | -                           |
|                                      | _           | 18 - 32                     | -                           |
| Corrected Plasticity Index (%)       | -           | (17 - 32)                   |                             |
| NHBC Volume Change<br>Classification | -           | Low - Medium                | -                           |

# Table 14.1: Laboratory Test Data Summary

14.2.4 It should be noted that this section is a geotechnical interpretation and discusses the findings of the ground investigation and the geotechnical implications of what was found. It is not a geotechnical design report. Geotechnical design will be carried out at a later stage by a third party.

# 14.3 Undrained Shear Strength

14.3.1 Standard Penetration Tests were undertaken at regular intervals throughout the drilling of the boreholes. The results of the SPTs have then been used along with the correlation suggested by Stroud (1974) to infer the undrained shear strength of the clays.

 $c_u = f_1 \times N$  can be applied,

in which

c<sub>u</sub>= mass shear strength (kN)

 $f_1 = constant$ 

N = SPT Value achieved during boring operations

- 14.3.2 The f<sub>1</sub> constant is dependent on the plasticity of the material. For the Bagshot Formation -Clay the plasticity index has been shown to average 25% and therefore a value of 5 has been adopted.
- 14.3.3 The graph below shows the shear strength profile of the Bagshot Formation Clay encountered at the site, based on the SPT to shear strength correlation described above.





Figure 14.1: Inferred Undrained Shear Strength vs Depth

14.3.4 An SPT 'N' value of 22 was reported for the layer of Bagshot Formation - Sand at 3.50mbgl. This is slightly higher than the values recorded in the clay at around the same depth.

# 14.4 Foundations

- 14.4.1 For details of the existing foundations, as exposed in HTP3 please refer to Section 8.3.
- 14.4.2 It is understood that a retaining wall installed using "underpinning" type construction methods will be utilised to form the basement levels. Full details are provided in the Structural Engineering Planning Report (Price & Myers, 2020).
- 14.4.3 It is considered likely that an excavation circa 5.0m deep will be required to form the majority of the basement. Locally, an excavation of circa 7.0m deep will likely be required for the sub-basement plant room.
- 14.4.4 Table 14.2 shows the levels at which floors will be constructed.

| Floor                         | Level<br>(m OD) |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Ground Floor                  | +113.37         |
| Swimming Pool                 | +109.00         |
| Gym and Staff Living Quarters | +109.87         |
| Basement Parking              | +108.87         |
| Assumed Base of Swimming Pool | +107.70         |
| Sub-Basement for Pool Plant   | +106.87         |

#### Table 14.2: Anticipated levels



- 14.4.5 The two windowless sampler boreholes were drilled at a ground level of approximately 113.3 mOD, therefore ground conditions have been proven to approximately 107.8 mOD.
- 14.4.6 Based upon the information obtained to date, it is considered that conventional foundations may be suitable for the proposed development. It is considered that an allowable bearing capacity of 150kPa at 4-5mbgl is possible (i.e. at 109.3-108.3 mOD).
- 14.4.7 A reduced allowable bearing capacity of 125kPa should be adopted for slightly shallower foundations at 110.5 mOD.
- 14.4.8 Where the sub-basement is to be formed at 106.87 mOD, ground conditions have not yet been proven. However, the Bagshot Formation is unlikely to decrease in strength with depth. Therefore, an allowable bearing capacity of 150kPa should be adopted for this depth.
- 14.4.9 The allowable bearing capacities given above will be further assessed and refined by completing a deep cable percussive borehole post-demolition, once planning permission has been obtained. This could potentially be carried out in the context of a Basement Construction Plan (BCP) stage, subject to LBC's approval.
- 14.4.10 The above comments are indicative only based on limited ground investigation data. Foundations should be designed by a suitably qualified Engineer. Once structural loads have been fully determined a full design check in accordance with BS EN 1997 should be undertaken to confirm suitability of foundation choice.

# 14.5 Concrete in the Ground

- 14.5.1 Sulphate attack on building foundations occurs where sulphate solutions react with the various products of hydration in Ordinary Portland Cement (OPC) or converted High-Alumina Cement (HAC). The reaction is expansive, and therefore disruptive, not only due to the formation of minute cracks, but also due to loss of cohesion in the matrix.
- 14.5.2 In accordance with BRE Special Digest 1, as there are fewer than 5 results in the dataset, the highest value has been taken.
- 14.5.3 Table 14.3 summarises the analysis of the aggressive nature of the ground for each of the strata encountered within the ground investigation.

| Stratum                     | No.<br>Samples | pH range  | WS Sulphate<br>(highest) (mg/l) | Design<br>Sulphate<br>Class | ACEC<br>Class |
|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Made Ground                 | 3              | 7.9 – 9.2 | 1860                            | DS-3                        | AC-3          |
| Bagshot Formation -<br>Clay | 4              | 6.3 - 8.0 | 260                             | DS-1                        | AC-1s         |

# Table 14.3: Concrete in the Ground Classes

14.5.4 The concrete structures, including foundations, will need to be designed in accordance with BS EN 1992-1-1:2004+A1:2014.

# 14.6 Ground Floor Slabs

14.6.1 The existing lower ground floor (which is present over much of the existing building footprint) formation level ranges between approximately 111.0 and 112.0 mOD. The proposed basement slab formation level ranges between approximately 108.87 and 109.87 mOD, with the sub-basement plant room to be formed at approximately 106.87 mOD.



- 14.6.2 A ground bearing floor slab could be used. This would need to be emplaced on a granular blanket of chemically and geotechnically suitable material. Depending on the underlying ground conditions, existing granular soil may be suitable, or even crushed demolition waste, providing it is suitably sorted and processed.
- 14.6.3 Formations of the structures should be inspected by a competent person. Any loose or soft material should be removed and replaced with well-graded, properly compacted granular fill or lean mix concrete. The formation should be blinded if left exposed for more than a few hours or if inclement weather is experienced.
- 14.6.4 The floor slabs will likely require additional reinforcement if they are to act a propping devices for retaining walls.
- 14.6.5 The floor slab (and basement walls) would need to be constructed to conform to BS: 8102 (2009).

# 14.7 Excavations and Temporary Retaining Structures

- 14.7.1 Excavations will be required at the site for services and construction works. These are anticipated to remain stable for the short term only.
- 14.7.2 It is recommended that the stability of all excavations should be assessed during construction. The sides of any excavations into which personnel are required to enter should be assessed and fully supported. Given the proximity of the adjacent properties it is considered unlikely that excavations could be battered back to a safe angle.
- 14.7.3 The progression of the basement excavation will need to consider the potential impact to the pool to be retained on site, as well as other off site structures and provide adequate and appropriate support.
- 14.7.4 Further considerations are given in the Structural Engineering Planning Report (Price & Myers, 2020).
- 14.7.5 Further intrusive investigation will be undertaken post planning, in the form of a deep cable percussive borehole with groundwater monitoring. This will confirm whether groundwater is present within the footprint of the proposed basement. Should groundwater be present, temporary retaining structures may be required prior to excavation due to the potential presence of groundwater (both deep and shallow perched) affecting the stability of sides of excavations.
- 14.7.6 Alternatively, other methods such as sheet piling or a cut-off secant piled box may provide a combination of groundwater exclusion and act as a retaining wall. If implemented, these would need to be designed by a specialist using information provided by the borehole.

# 14.8 Permanent Retaining Walls

- 14.8.1 The retaining walls for the basement will be formed in short underpin sections. It is assumed that these would be constructed using the cast in-situ methodology.
- 14.8.2 These walls would need to be designed to both withstand the earth pressures and to be able to transfer the above loading successfully i.e. the retaining wall should be designed to act as a foundation for the structure.
- 14.8.3 At the current time insufficient structural information is available to allow details of the retaining wall to be determined. Given the obtained information it is considered that a friction angle for the materials could be taken as 0° in its undrained state.
- 14.8.4 Given the proposed depth of the basement it is considered that heave precautions will be required. Given the medium volume change potential of the underlying clays these should



consist of 25mm void or the equivalent thickness of compressible material adjacent to the foundation.

- 14.8.5 All retaining walls (temporary and permanent) would need to be designed by a suitably experienced and qualified specialist.
- 14.8.6 Further considerations regarding the proposed two-stage underpinning process are given in the Structural Engineering Planning Report (Price & Myers, 2020).

# 14.9 Ground Movement

14.9.1 A Ground Movement Assessment has been undertaken and is discussed in Section 16.

# 14.10 Groundwater Control

- 14.10.1 Throughout the investigation and subsequent monitoring, groundwater was not encountered.
- 14.10.2 Subject to seasonal variations, it is not considered likely that significant quantities groundwater would be encountered during site works. Any encountered groundwater could be readily dealt with by conventional pumping from a sump. This would need to be assessed at the time of construction. A pit should be excavated and left open to confirm during or closer to the proposed construction period.
- 14.10.3 Rainwater or surface water may ingress into the excavations and could be dealt with using simple traditional sump and methods.
- 14.10.4 If a cut-off secant piled box is installed to toe within London Clay Formation, then this could provide a method of groundwater exclusion. The ground inside of the piled box may require draining, though it is envisaged that this could be achieved by conventional sump pumping.
- 14.10.5 Groundwater level will be further assessed by completion of a deep cable percussive borehole post-demolition (and therefore once planning has been granted). This could potentially be carried out in the context of a Basement Construction Plan (BCP) stage, subject to LBC's approval.



# 15 BASEMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT

# 15.1 Proposed Changes to Areas of External Hardstanding

- 15.1.1 SUDs will be required by NPPF, PPG and LLFA policy requirements.
- 15.1.2 The proposed basement footprint is slightly larger than that of the existing lower ground floor footprint. In addition, a new driveway will be constructed to provide vehicular access from West Heath Road. The SUDS Assessment produced for the site (Price and Myers, 2020) indicates that impermeable areas on site will increase from 620m<sup>2</sup> to 790m<sup>2</sup>. The site as a whole is 1030m<sup>2</sup>.
- 15.1.3 As proven as part of the ground investigation, where there is soft landscaping at the surface this comprises cohesive soils. This means that even areas of soft landscaping will generally cause rainfall to run off rather than soak-in in a similar way that if the ground was covered by hardstanding.
- 15.1.4 The SUDs Assessment (Price and Myers, 2020) concludes that a 32m<sup>3</sup> attenuation tank will be installed the site at 1.5m bgl. Further details are provided within the full report.
- 15.1.5 It is not considered necessary to undertake any further investigations, studies or impact assessment in relation to the proposed changes to areas of external hardstanding.

# 15.2 Past Flooding

- 15.2.1 Planning Policy Statement PPS25 "Development and Flood Risk" seeks to protect development from flooding as well as preventing flooding. PPS25 states that developers are responsible for providing a flood risk assessment:
  - demonstrating whether any proposed development is likely to be affected by current or future flooding from any source;
  - satisfying the local planning authority that the development is safe and where possible reduces flood risk overall;
  - demonstrating whether the development will increase flood risk elsewhere;
  - demonstrating measures proposed to deal with these effects and risks.
- 15.2.2 The London Borough of Camden produced a document "Floods in Camden Report of the Floods Scrutiny Panel" (June 2003) indicates that parts of Templewood Avenue flooded on 7th August 2002.
- 15.2.3 The report notes that historical research showed that the topography of Hampstead and the nature of summer thunderstorms make high rainfall levels and flooding events a recurring feature in Camden. These phenomena have a long history and have not been recently created by global warming. Comparisons are drawn in the report between the 1975 floods in Camden and those in 2002, showing marked similarities. Although Templewood Avenue did not flood in 1975.
- 15.2.4 Given the various flooding events discussed in the above report it follows that other flooding events in the future cannot be ruled out.



# 15.3 Geological Impact

- 15.3.1 The published geological maps indicate that the site is directly underlain by solid deposits of the Bagshot Formation. This was confirmed by the intrusive investigation.
- 15.3.2 At the depths that the basement would be constructed at, the Bagshot Formation is unlikely to be prone to seasonal shrinkage and swelling that arises due to changing water content in the soil. This is due to a lack of significant vegetation capable of removing water within the zone of influence and the lack of proven groundwater.
- 15.3.3 Given that at the time of undertaking the works there was very limited access to and around the site it is recommended that further works are undertaken using a cable tool rig. It is likely that such a hole would need to be completed post-planning, once access has been enabled through demolition of the existing building.

#### 15.4 Hydrology and Hydrogeology Impact

- 15.4.1 Based on all the information available at the time of writing, the risk of flooding from groundwater is considered to be low. The proposed basement is unlikely to have a detectable impact on the local groundwater regime. Appropriate water proofing measures should be included within the whole of the proposed basement wall/floor design as a precaution.
- 15.4.2 The proposed dwelling will lie outside of flood risk zones and is therefore assessed as being at a very low probability of fluvial flooding.
- 15.4.3 The only surface water feature on or in the immediate vicinity of the site is a very small manmade self-contained pond in the north-east of the site. It is therefore not anticipated that the proposed development will make any impact upon the hydrology of the area.
- 15.4.4 The information available suggests that the site lies in an area that is not at risk of surface water flooding. Flooding via this source is therefore considered to be low.
- 15.4.5 No risk of flooding to the site from artificial sources has been identified.
- 15.4.6 The installation of attenuation to reduce the rate of peak flow into the sewers (i.e. as part of SUDS requirements) will reduce the risk of sewer flooding to occur.
- 15.4.7 The information obtained by a post-demolition cable percussive borehole and groundwater monitoring will be used to review the impact on subterranean flows and the likelihood of groundwater moving between the site and the Hampstead Heath ponds in an updated Basement Impact Assessment.

## 15.5 Impacts of Basement on Adjacent Properties and Pavement

- 15.5.1 The proposed basement excavation will be within 5m of a public pavement. It is also within 5m of neighbouring properties.
- 15.5.2 Unavoidable lateral ground movements associated with the basement excavations must be controlled during temporary and permanent works so as not to impact adversely on the stability of the surrounding ground, any associated services and structures.
- 15.5.3 It is recommended that the site is supported by suitably designed temporary support. This will ensure that the adjacent land and Schreiber pool are adequately supported in the temporary and permanent construction. Alternatively, excavations should proceed in a manner that maintains the integrity of the ground on all sides.
- 15.5.4 It will be necessary to ensure that the basements are designed in accordance with the NHBC Standards and take due cognisance of the potential impacts highlighted above. This may be achieved by ensuring best practice engineering and design of the proposed scheme by



competent persons and in full accordance with the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations. This will include:

- Establishment of the likely ground movements arising from the temporary and permanent works and the mitigation of excessive movements;
- Assessment of the impact on any adjacent structures (including adjacent properties and the adjacent pavement with potential services);
- Determination of the most appropriate methods of construction of the proposed basements;
- Undertake pre-condition surveys of adjacent structures;
- Monitor any movements and pre-existing cracks during construction;
- Establishment of contingencies to deal with adverse performance;
- Ensuring quality of workmanship by competent persons.
- 15.5.5 Full details of the suitable engineering design of the scheme in addition to an appropriate construction method statement should be submitted by the Developer to London Borough of Camden.

# 15.6 Accumulative Impacts

- 15.6.1 The above individual effects could interact to form a greater issue.
- 15.6.2 The site has been identified as being directly underlain by low permeability cohesive deposits of the Bagshot Formation. Such materials would prevent the movement of groundwater and the ingress of surface water into the ground.
- 15.6.3 The development of the basement would not significantly affect the groundwater flow through the ground due to the low permeability cohesive deposits of the Bagshot Formation.
- 15.6.4 SUDS in the form of a buried attenuation tank will be formed at the site.
- 15.6.5 Deeper ground/hydrology conditions will be confirmed by drilling a cable percussive borehole post-demolition. This could potentially be carried out in the context of a Basement Construction Plan (BCP) stage, subject to LBC's approval.



# 16 **GROUND MOVEMENT ASSESSMENT**

#### 16.1 Geometry of the Site

- 16.1.1 The proposed development involves the construction of a new single/part double-storey basement, which will deepen and locally extend the footprint of the existing lower ground floor at 35 Templewood Avenue. As indicated in Figure 16.1, the site under investigation is bounded to the north and east by West Heath Road and Templewood Avenue, respectively. The properties located at 9 West Heath Rd (Grade II listed Schreiber House) and 33 Templewood Avenue form the western and southern boundaries, respectively
- 16.1.2 In addition, the listed Schreiber swimming pool is located within the site under consideration. The general arrangement of the proposed basement covers the entire footprint of the existing 35 Templewood Avenue property and encompasses the swimming pool structure, as illustrated in Figure 16.2.
- 16.1.3 The existing lower ground floor (which is present over much of the existing building footprint) formation level is found approximately at +111mOD based on the available drawings. The proposed basement is expected to be founded at approximate levels between +108.6mOD and +109.7mOD, varying across the footprint. The north-eastern part of the proposed basement is expected to host the proposed indoors swimming pool a formation level of +107.3mOD has been adopted for this area of the basement. A second basement level is also proposed in the southern part of the site, where the swimming pool plant is planned to be installed an approximate formation level of +106.7mOD has been adopted for this area. Figure 16.3 displays key cross sections of the proposed development indicated the above-mentioned developments.
- 16.1.4 The GMA presented herein considers the impact of the proposed development on:
  - 1. The properties immediately adjacent to the site, namely the Listed Grade II Schreiber House and 33 Templewood Avenue.
  - 2. The Listed Grade II Schreiber Pool situated within the site under consideration.
  - 3. The boundary walls surrounding the site.
  - 4. Templewood avenue and West Heath Road.
  - 5. The Thames Water assets running adjacent to the site under West Heath Road and Templewood Avenue.





Figure 16.1: Development Site Under Consideration

Figure 16.2: Proposed lower ground floor plan. Approximate outline of existing ground floor marked in green. Approximate Basement 2 footprint indicated with dashed lines.







# Figure 16.3: Plan view of the proposed ground floor and key cross sections.

(a) Proposed scheme ground level plan



(b) Proposed section A-A

(c) Proposed Section B-B

# 16.2 Proposed Under-Pinning Works

- 16.2.1 The proposed basement is to be constructed by means of an underpinning technique adopting the following indicative key construction stages. Detailed descriptions of the proposed works may be found in the Structural Engineering Planning Report, produced by Price & Myers LLP.
  - 1. Establish site, repair any existing cracks and install monitoring equipment.
  - 2. Demolish existing structure.
  - 3. Underpin perimeter walls in sequence. Underpinning works are also envisaged for the existing Schreiber pool.
  - 4. Excavate to intermediate level and install temporary propping to underpins.



- 5. Excavate to formation level and place blinding.
- 6. Install buried drainage, heave board (if required) and cast basement slab.
- 7. Remove temporary props when basement slab has gained sufficient strength.
- 8. Install new ground floor structure.

# 16.3 Thames Water Assets

16.3.1 Thames Water (TW) assets are present adjacent to the Site. The assets comprise a number of sewers and water mains. Details relating to these utilities are summarised in Figure 16.4 and Table 16.1. Their relative locations are based on the currently available survey information and the Thames Water Asset Search Location Map.

# Figure 16.4: Location of the TW assets with respect to the existing 35 Templewood Avenue property (outlined in magenta)





| Asset          | Material              | Location             | Internal<br>Diameter<br>(mm)  | Assumed<br>Thickness<br>(mm) | Depth to<br>Centre Line<br>(m OD)                                |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Water Main WM1 | Cast Iron             | Templewood<br>Avenue | 177.8 (7")                    | 12.5                         | Ground level   |
| Water Main WM2 | Cast Iron             | West Heath Road      | 101.6 (4")                    | 10                           | Ground level   |
| Trunk Main T1  | Cast Iron             | Templewood<br>Avenue | 304.8 (12")                   | 15.5                         | Ground level   |
| Sewer S1       | Masonry               | West Heath Road      | 914 X 610<br>(egg-<br>shaped) | 225                          | 109.7  |
| Sewer S2       | Concrete<br>(assumed) | Templewood<br>Avenue | 229                           | 60                           | 113.7 to 109.7<br>(decreasing<br>towards<br>junction with<br>S1) |
| Sewer S3       | Concrete<br>(assumed) | Templewood<br>Avenue | 229                           | 60                           | 113.7  |

# Table 16.1: - Summary of TW assets and their properties

- 16.3.2 Conservative assumptions have been made for some of the utilities for which no information was available in relation to the material/construction and lining thickness.
- 16.3.3 Sewer 1 has been assumed to be of masonry construction, given its non-circular shape. A lining thickness of 225mm was assumed for strain calculations. Sewer S2 has been assumed to be of unreinforced concrete construction as the criteria for concrete pipes is more stringent than vitrified clay providing a conservative assessment. A lining thickness of 60mm was assumed for strain calculations.
- 16.3.4 The water mains and trunk main are labelled in the TW survey drawings as being of cast-iron construction. All water mains have been assumed to be located at the ground surface. The assumptions made with regards to utilities for which no information is available should be confirmed/revised as appropriate during the design development.
- 16.3.5 The impact assessment on the Thames Water assets has been undertaken, focussing on the key deformation mechanisms and performance criteria applicable to the utility types noted. The assessment criteria are summarised in Figure 16.5. In addition to the criteria presented in the TW guidance documentation, a joint pull-out limit of 3 mm is generally considered acceptable for the pipes under consideration.



# Figure 16.5: Thames Water Assessment Criteria (extract from Thames Waters' Guidance on Piling, Heavy Loads, Excavations, Tunnelling and Dewatering)

| Table 1 - Assessment Criteria for Existing Thames Water Pipeline and Sewer Assets |                       |                    |                             |             |  |  |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|--|--|
|   | Diameter              | Allowable Incre    | ase in Strain (🗆 🗆)         | Rotation    |  |  |
| PIPE I TPE  | (mm)                  | Tension            | Compression                 | (deg.)      |  |  |
| Brick Sewer<br>(red / yellow / blue<br>brick)                                     | N/A                   | 500                | 25% of the allowable stress | N/A         |  |  |
| <b>Cast Iron</b> Lead-yarn<br>joints  | N/A                   | 100                | 1200                        | 0.1         |  |  |
| Ductile Iron (Lead-yarn gasket joints)  | N/A                   | 500                | 700                         | 0.5         |  |  |
| <b>Ductile Iron</b> (Rubber gasket joints)  | N/A                   | 500                | 700                         | 2.0         |  |  |
| Steel   | N/A                   | 450                | 450                         | 1.5         |  |  |
|   | <125                  | 80                 | 400                         | 0.5         |  |  |
| Vitrified Clay  | >125                  | 80                 | 400                         | See Table 2 |  |  |
|   | <225                  | 20                 | 400                         | 0.5         |  |  |
| Concrete (unreinforced)   | 225 – 750             | 40                 | 400                         |             |  |  |
|   | >750                  | 60                 | 400                         | See Table 2 |  |  |
| Table 2 - Maximum Rotation  | on for Vitrified Clay | and Concrete Pipes |                             |             |  |  |
| Diameter<br>(mm)  | Rotation<br>(deg.)    |                    |                             |             |  |  |
| < 375   | 2.0                   |                    |                             |             |  |  |
| 375 – 750   | 1.0                   |                    |                             |             |  |  |
| 750 – 1400  | 0                     | 0.5                |                             |             |  |  |
| > 1400  | 0                     | .3                 | ]                           |             |  |  |

# 16.4 Assessment Details

- 16.4.1 The assessment has been undertaken using proprietary spreadsheets and the commercially available software Oasys Pdisp and Xdisp, which consider the three-dimensional ground movement field induced by the proposed works.
- 16.4.2 Ground movements will arise as a result of various mechanisms which are mobilised as part of the implementation of the proposed scheme. In the first instance, the works will involve the removal of the existing structure. This initial strip phase will be followed by the basement excavation and the underpinning of the masonry perimeter walls and application of the permanent works building loadings. In addition, underpinning works are envisaged to take place around the perimeter of the existing Schreiber pool. The underpinning works, as well as the excavation process will induce ground movements arising from the overburden removal. The permanent condition loading will partially reinstate a portion of the removed overburden, yielding settlements across the foundation system.
- 16.4.3 These ground movements will extend over a given zone of influence surrounding the building footprint. The assessment presented herein adopts the normalised ground displacement curves



reported in CIRIA C760 and general principles of elasticity. This procedure comprises the current industry standard/best practice for this type of analytical assessment.

- 16.4.4 A series of three-dimensional models of the proposed scheme have been developed in both software packages outlined previously and have been combined by means of superposition to represent the various ground displacement fields summarised above.
- 16.4.5 An indicative plot of the analytical model is presented below in Figure 16.6. The model includes a number of conservative simplifications relating to the geometry of the proposed scheme and topography/geomorphology. These have been adopted in an effort to overcome the limitations of the software used for the purposes of this assessment, which represents current industry best practice means and methods.

# Figure 16.6: Indicative plot of the three-dimensional analytical model produced using the Oasys software suite (soil and Thames Water assets removed for clarity of presentation). Simplified excavation geometry shown in grey.



# 16.5 Ground Model

- 16.5.1 An idealised ground model has been evaluated based on the site-specific ground investigation which comprised 2no. window sample boreholes with respective depths of 5.45mbgl and 4.95mbgl. In addition, a trial pit has been excavated for the purposes of exploring the existing foundation levels, however the base of the present footings has not been proven.
- 16.5.2 The thickness of Made Ground has been observed to be approximately 0.7-1.0m. The ground surface has been found to vary between approximately +111mOD and +114mOD across the site footprint. For the purposes of the assessment presented herein, a ground surface elevation of +112mOD has been adopted. The Bagshot Formation has been found to underly Made Ground,



however its thickness has not been proven during the site investigation. Table 16.2 summarises the representative ground model adopted for ground movement assessment purposes.

16.5.3 No groundwater has been encountered by the site-specific GI works which extended to minimum elevation of +107.8mOD.

| Table 16.2: Summary of grour | d model and geotechnic | al parameters adopted fo | r analysis purposes |
|------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
|------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|

| Stratum              | Top of<br>stratum<br>(mOD) | Assumed<br>Undrained<br>Strength, S <sub>u</sub><br>(kPa) | Undrained<br>Young's<br>Modulus, E <sub>u</sub><br>(MPa) | Drained<br>Young's<br>Modulus, E'<br>(MPa) | Unit Weight, γ<br>(kN/m³) |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------------|
| Bagshot<br>Formation | +112.0                     | 45 + 9.5z <sup>[1]</sup>                                  | 22.5 + 4.7z <sup>[1]</sup>                               | 18 + 3.8z <sup>[1]</sup>                   | 20                        |

Notes: 1. z is the depth in metres below top of the Bagshot Formation, which is assumed to be approx. 1.0m below existing ground level.

2. *Rigid boundary* assumed at 20 mbgl for analytical purposes (conservative level adopted capturing extensive zone of influence based on development width of around 10-12m).

3. The stiffness data ( $E_u$  and E') has been evaluated empirically taking into consideration the nature of the geotechnical/soil-structure interaction mechanisms and level of anticipated strain within the soil mass.

# 16.6 Analysis Methods

- 16.6.1 Two different scenarios have been considered in order to bound the potential ground movements arising from the proposed excavation works.
  - 1. In the first option (<u>Method 1</u>), the worst-case heave condition was assessed by assuming that no lateral or downward ground movement takes place during the underpinning operations (effectively assuming a wished into place underpin solution).

Heave movements arising from the proposed basement excavation were assessed using Oasys Pdisp.

The proposed demolition and bulk excavation works and associated heave was modelled by applying an upward (unloading) uniformly distributed load - ranging between -10kPa and -86kPa - at the proposed formation level. This is equivalent to the total stress relief imposed by the proposed excavation works (i.e. at lower ground floor, pool plant and new swimming pool).

For the short-term analysis - representing the condition immediately after the demolition and excavation works - the soil mass was modelled using undrained stiffness parameters.

In the long-term - representing the condition some time after the completion of building works and dissipation of excess pore pressures within the Bagshot Formation - relaxation of the soil was captured by drained soil parameters. The effect of increased building loads, associated with the proposed renovation works, have also been incorporated in this phase.

Figure 16.7 shows the geometry and intensity of the footing loads as applied in the Pdisp model. All underpin loads have been conservatively assumed to be applied on 1m wide strips in the absence of structural details (e.g. connections between underpins and


proposed basement slabs) which would be expected to redistribute the wall loads into wider areas. The exact allowable bearing capacity of the proposed underpins should be reviewed by the wall design contractor.

It is noted that only buildings/walls and assets within the zone of influence of the proposed scheme have been modelled.

2. The second option (Method 2) assesses horizontal movements and ground settlements (as opposed to heave evaluated in Option 1) imposed by the proposed excavation and underpinning works.

The horizontal and vertical ground movements due to underpin installation and mass excavation to formation level were evaluated using the normalised CIRIA C760 curves for ground movement, as implemented in Oasys Xdisp. Installation was modelled by adopting the CIRIA C760 curve for Installation of planar diaphragm wall in stiff clay. Bulk excavation was evaluated using the CIRIA C760 curve for Excavation in front of a high stiffness wall in stiff clay.

This option assumes that the underpinning installation works imposes a ground movement field, leading to lateral and vertical ground movement comparable to those measured in the instance of embedded retaining walls.

Whilst it is acknowledged that the empirical data set is not strictly applicable to the construction technologies adopted, the assessment and associated ground movement mechanisms are representative of the adopted underpinning scenario.

This approach is considered a reasonable approximation and bounds the solution between maximum potential heave, settlements and lateral deformations anticipated for the type of construction works discussed herein. However, it should be noted that the proposed works and associated ground movements are inherently subject to satisfactory control of workmanship.

### Building Damage Assessment

- 16.6.2 The potential impact/damage induced on primary façade/wall elements of the buildings and boundary walls within the zone of influence of the proposed scheme has been evaluated on the basis of the calculated ground movement field. The existing Grade II listed Schreiber pool has been modelled with the same method by conservatively considering 4no. walls which run parallel and perpendicular to the proposed excavation areas, capturing the worst-case effects. The walls of concern are shown in Figure 16.8, including the wall nomenclature/reference system adopted. The arrangement is based on the currently available survey information and presents a reasonable array of primary structures both perpendicular and parallel to the proposed basement (covering the key deformation mechanisms).
- 16.6.3 Each wall has been assumed to behave as an equivalent beam subject to a bending and extension/compression deformation mechanism, based on the evaluated greenfield ground movement, as outlined previously. The walls under investigation were conservatively considered to be of masonry structure.
- 16.6.4 Attention was also paid to potential ground movements both parallel and perpendicular to Templewood Avenue and West Heath Road.
- 16.6.5 Tensile strains induced within the building masonry walls have been evaluated based on the deflection ratios  $\Delta/L$  estimated from the analyses. The assessment considers the well-established



Burland (1997) damage classification method, as presented and summarised in Table 16.3 & Figure 16.10.

16.6.6 This method involves a simple but robust means of assessment, which is widely adopted and is considered to comprise an industry standard/best practice basis for impact assessments of this typology.



Figure 16.7: Idealised long-term loading regime modelled in Pdisp

Figure 16.8: Nomenclature for building façades/masonry wall elements/Shreiber pool (black), existing 35 Templewood Avenue property (magenta), boundary walls (brown) and excavation zone of influence (dashed red).





#### Thames Water Utilities Impact Assessment

16.6.7 The potential impact induced on the adjacent Thames Water assets has been evaluated on the basis of the calculated ground movement field. The same methodology has been followed for the Thames Water assets (Method 1 and Method 2), using XDISP to conduct the utility damage assessment. Figure 16.9 shows the Xdisp model geometry, which considers a simplified excavation area as previously discussed in Figure 16.6.

### Figure 16.9: Xdisp model indicating the proposed excavation works and the TW assets analysed



- 16.6.8 Details of the material and size of each asset were input in accordance with Table 16.1 for XDISP to calculate curvature, compressive and tensile strains due to the assessed movements. All utilities were assumed to be near surface assets.
- 16.6.9 A maximum allowable tensile strain of 500με has been used for masonry sewer (S1). For the assumed concrete sewer (S2 & S3), an allowable limit of 3mm has been used for pull-out checks, 2° for rotation checks and 40με and 400με for tensile and compressive strain checks, respectively.
- 16.6.10 The neutral axis of the masonry and concrete sewers was considered at one edge of the crosssection (i.e., the full external diameter was considered when calculating flexural strains). A reduction factor, RF, has been applied to the axial tensile strains when calculating the combined tensile strains. The reduction factor was taken as 0.2 for all assets except for the masonry sewer, where a factor of 1.0 was conservatively assumed. The beneficial contribution of axial strains was ignored in the strain calculation.
- 16.6.11 For the cast iron water and trunk mains, an allowable limit of 3mm has been used for pull-out checks, 0.1° for rotation checks and 100με and 1200με for tensile and compressive strain checks, respectively.



#### 16.7 Building and Boundary Wall Impact Assessment Outcomes

- 16.7.1 For Method 1, all neighbouring buildings' façades and boundary walls have been found to fall within damage Category 0 Negligible. For Method 2, the majority of the façades fall within Category 0 Negligible. 3No. façades (Schreiber Pool walls, SP1, SP3 and SP4) as Category 1 Very Slight. No façades or boundary walls have been classified as Category 2 Slight or higher, which satisfies the structural damage criteria of Camden planning authorities.
- 16.7.2 Based on these damage predictions, it can be reasonably concluded that the risk of the proposed works resulting in loss of structural integrity to the boundary walls is low.
- 16.7.3 West Heath Road and Templewood Avenue run adjacent to the site under consideration in the north and east, respectively. The impact of underpinning and excavation works on these roads has also been assessed in terms of maximum vertical and horizontal deflections at a number of locations. Lines running both parallel and perpendicular to the streets were defined to capture the effects more accurately.
- 16.7.4 The assessment found that the majority of displacements at these locations were <1mm and as such are considered negligible. In the area immediately to the east of the proposed basement, ground surface vertical and horizontal movements of up to 3mm and 2mm have been calculated, respectively.
- 16.7.5 On the basis of these results, it can be reasonably concluded that the risk of the proposed works resulting in loss of structural integrity to the pavement build-up of West Heath Road and Templewood Avenue is low. Where movements are expected to be slightly greater, it may be prudent for the contractor to make an allowance for minor *making good* of pavement surfacing.

| Cate | egory of damage | Description of Typical Damage   | Approximate<br>crack width<br>(mm)  | Limiting<br>tensile<br>strain (%) |
|------|-----------------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 0    | Negligible      | Hairline cracks of less than about 0.1mm are classes as negligible.   | < 0.1                               | 0.0-0.05                          |
| 1    | Very Slight     | Fine cracks that can easily be treated during<br>normal decoration. Perhaps isolated slight<br>fracture in building. Cracks in external<br>brickwork visible on inspection.   | <1                                  | 0.05-0.075                        |
| 2    | Slight          | Cracks easily filled. Redecoration probably<br>required. Several slight fractures showing<br>inside of building. Cracks are visible<br>externally and some repointing may be<br>required externally to ensure weather<br>tightness. Doors and windows may stick<br>slightly | <5                                  | 0.075-0.15                        |
| 3    | Moderate        | The cracks require some opening up and<br>can be patched by a mason. Recurrent<br>cracks can be masked by suitable linings.<br>Repointing of external brickwork and<br>possibly a small amount of brickwork to be<br>replaced. Doors and windows sticking.                  | 5-15 or a<br>number of<br>cracks >3 | 0.15 – 0.3                        |

# Table 16.3: Summary of CIRIA C760 Table 2.5 (after Burland et al (1977), Boscardin and Cording<br/>(1989) and Burland (2001))



| Catego | ory of damage | Description of Typical Damage  | Approximate<br>crack width<br>(mm)                   | Limiting<br>tensile<br>strain (%) |
|--------|---------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|
|        |               | Service pipes may fracture. Weather-<br>tightness often impaired.  |  |                                   |
| 4      | Severe        | Extensive repair work involving breaking-out<br>and replacing sections of walls, especially<br>over doors and windows. Windows and<br>frames distorted, floors sloping noticeably.<br>Walls leaning or bulging noticeably, some<br>loss of bearing in beams. Service pipes<br>disrupted. | 15-25 but<br>also depends<br>on number of<br>cracks  | >0.3                              |
| 5      | Very Severe   | This requires a major repair involving partial<br>or complete rebuilding. Beams lose<br>bearings, walls lean badly and require<br>shoring. Windows broken with distortion.<br>Danger of instability.   | Usually >25<br>but depends<br>on number of<br>cracks |                                   |

Figure 16.10: Definition of relative deflection  $\Delta$  and deflection ratio  $\Delta$ /L.



# 16.8 Thames Water Impact Assessment Outcomes

16.8.1 The results are summarised in the tables in this section. The full XDISP output is appended to this report for reference.

### Method 1

- 1. Excavation (short-term) Table 16.4
- 2. Excavation (short-term) + Loading (long-term) Table 16.5

#### Method 2

- 3. CIRIA Excavation & Installation Table 16.6
- 4. CIRIA Excavation & Installation + Loading (Long-term) Table 16.7

Note: In the contour plots, a positive (+) sign in vertical movement indicates settlement and a negative (-) sign indicates heave.





# METHOD 1 - Post-excavation

| Assats | Tensile Strain |       | Compressive Strain<br>[με] |       | Pull-out<br>[mm] |       | Rotation<br>[degrees] |       |
|--------|----------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
| Assets | Maximum        | Limit | Maximum                    | Limit | Maximum          | Limit | Maximum               | Limit |
| S1.1   |                | 500   |                            | 625   | -                | -     | -                     | -     |
| S1.2   |                | 500   |                            | 625   | -                | -     | -                     | -     |
| S1.3   |                | 500   | 625                        | -     | -                | -     | -                     |       |
| S1.4   |                | 500   |                            | 625   | -                | -     | -                     | -     |
| S2     | <1             | 40    | <1                         | 400   | 0                | 3     | <0.001                | 2.0   |
| S3     |                | 40    |                            | 400   |                  | 3     |                       | 2.0   |
| WM1.1  |                | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |
| WM1.2  |                | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |
| WM1.3  |                | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |
| WM1.4  |                | 100   |                            | 1200  | 0                | 3     | <0.001                | 0.1   |
| WM2    |                | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     | -                     | 0.1   |
| T1.1   |                | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |
| T1.2   |                | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |
| T1.3   |                | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |



Figure 16.12: Vertical Movement – Method 1 Long-term

| Table 16.5: Utility Impact assessment – Method 1 Long-terr | Fable 16.5: Uti | y impact asses | sment – Method | 1 Long-tern |
|--|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|
|--|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|

| Assets | Tensile Strain<br>[µɛ] |       | Compressive Strain<br>[με] |       | Pull-out<br>[mm] |       | Rotation<br>[degrees] |       |   |
|--------|------------------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|---|
|        | Maximum                | Limit | Maximum                    | Limit | Maximum          | Limit | Maximum               | Limit |   |
| S1.1   | -                      |       | 500                        |       | 625              | -     | -                     | -     | - |
| S1.2   |                        | 500   |                            | 625   | -                | -     | -                     | -     |   |
| S1.3   |                        | 500   |                            | 625   | -                | -     | -                     | -     |   |
| S1.4   | <1                     | 500   | ~1                         | 625   | -                | -     | -                     | -     |   |
| S2     |                        | 40    |                            | 400   |                  | 3     |                       | 2.0   |   |
| S3     |                        | 40    |                            | 400   |                  | 3     |                       | 2.0   |   |
| WM1.1  |                        | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |   |
| WM1.2  | 51                     | 100   | 51                         | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |   |
| WM1.3  |                        | 100   |                            | 1200  | 0                | 3     | <0.001                | 0.1   |   |
| WM1.4  |                        | 100   |                            | 1200  | 0                | 3     | <0.001                | 0.1   |   |
| WM2    |                        | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |   |
| T1.1   |                        | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |   |
| T1.2   |                        | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |   |
| T1.3   |                        | 100   |                            | 1200  |                  | 3     |                       | 0.1   |   |

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## METHOD 2 – CIRIA Excavation & Installation

## Figure 16.13: Vertical Movement – Method 2 CIRIA Excavation and Installation





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|--------|--|-------|----------------------------|-------|------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|--|
| Assets | Tensile Strain<br>[με]   |       | Compressive Strain<br>[με] |       | Pull-out<br>[mm] |       | Rotation<br>[degrees] |       |  |
|        | Maximum  | Limit | Maximum                    | Limit | Maximum          | Limit | Maximum               | Limit |  |
| S1.1   | 0  | 500   | 0                          | 625   | -                | -     | -                     | -     |  |
| S1.2   | 0  | 500   | 0                          | 625   | -                | -     | -                     | -     |  |
| S1.3   | 0  | 500   | 0                          | 625   | -                | -     | -                     | -     |  |
| S1.4   | 0  | 500   | 0                          | 625   | -                | -     | -                     | -     |  |
| S2     | 37*  | 40    | 32*                        | 400   | 0.22*            | 3     | 0.008*                | 2.0   |  |
| S3     | 0  | 40    | 0                          | 400   | 0.00             | 3     | 0                     | 2.0   |  |
| WM1.1  | 0  | 100   | 0                          | 1200  | 0.00             | 3     | 0                     | 0.1   |  |
| WM1.2  | 19   | 100   | 65                         | 1200  | 0.13             | 3     | 0.007                 | 0.1   |  |
| WM1.3  | 0  | 100   | 0                          | 1200  | 0.00             | 3     | 0                     | 0.1   |  |
| WM1.4  | 0  | 100   | 0                          | 1200  | 0.00             | 3     | 0                     | 0.1   |  |
| WM2    | 33   | 100   | 329                        | 1200  | 0.41             | 3     | 0.020                 | 0.1   |  |
| T1.1   | 0  | 100   | 0                          | 1200  | 0.00             | 3     | 0                     | 0.1   |  |
| T1.2   | 0  | 100   | 0                          | 1200  | 0.00             | 3     | 0                     | 0.1   |  |
| T1.3   | 0  | 100   | 0                          | 1200  | 0.00             | 3     | 0                     | 0.1   |  |

#### Table 16.6: Utility impact assessment – Method 2 CIRIA Excavation and Installation

\*Results based on the smoothed movement profile shown in Figure 16.17.

16.8.2 Sewer S2 that runs below Templewood Avenue has recorded spikes in the data which exceed the tensile strain limit value. These spikes also occur in the compression strain profile due to flexural strain, related to bending of the asset. These spikes result from the modelling simplifications described previously in this report and are attributed to the displacement discontinuities.

16.8.3 In light of the above, a smoothing exercise has been undertaken to evaluate more realistic deflections. This was undertaken by adjusting polynomial curves to the raw deflection data shown in Figure 16.15. The resulting smoothed deflection profiles were imported in XDISP and the strains were re-calculated. The strain plots resulting by the raw and smoothed deflection profiles are depicted in Figure 16.16 and Figure 16.17, respectively.

# Figure 16.15: Raw and smoothed deflection profiles of Sewer S2 – Method 2 CIRIA Excavation and Installation



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# Figure 16.16: Combined strain profile of Sewer S2 – Method 2 CIRIA Excavation and Installation - based on raw deflection profile



Distance (from start of specific utility) [m]

# Figure 16.17: Combined strain profile of Sewer S2 – Method 2 CIRIA Excavation and Installation - based on smoothed deflection profile



Distance (from start of specific utility) [m]

### METHOD 2 – Long-term

16.8.4 The horizontal movements at this stage are the same as the previous stage (Figure 16.14) since the movements of the PDISP long-term movements are only vertical movements (settlement). The figure below shows the cumulative vertical movements of XDISP using CIRIA curves and the PDISP Long-term loading.



Figure 16.18: Vertical Movement – Method 2 – CIRIA curves + Long-term loading

 Table 16.7: Utility impact assessment – Method 2 – CIRIA curves + Long-term loading

| Assets | Tensile Strain<br>[me] |       | Compressive Strain [me] |       | Pull-out<br>[mm] |       | Rotation<br>[degrees] |       |
|--------|------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
|        | Maximum                | Limit | Maximum                 | Limit | Maximum          | Limit | Maximum               | Limit |
| S1.1   | 0                      | 500   | 0                       | -625  | -                | -     | -                     | -     |
| S1.2   | 0                      | 500   | 0                       | -625  | -                | -     | -                     | -     |
| S1.3   | 0                      | 500   | 0                       | -625  | -                | -     | -                     | -     |
| S1.4   | 0                      | 500   | 0                       | -625  | -                | -     | -                     | -     |
| S2     | 38*                    | 40    | 33*                     | -400  | 0.220*           | 3     | 0.008*                | 2.0   |
| S3     | 0                      | 40    | 0                       | -400  | 0.00             | 3     | 0.000                 | 2.0   |
| WM1.1  | 19                     | 100   | 65                      | -1200 | 0.132            | 3     | 0.007                 | 0.1   |
| WM1.2  | 0                      | 100   | 0                       | -1200 | 0.00             | 3     | 0.000                 | 0.1   |
| WM1.3  | 0                      | 100   | 0                       | -1200 | 0.00             | 3     | 0.000                 | 0.1   |
| WM1.4  | 0                      | 100   | 0                       | -1200 | 0.00             | 3     | 0.000                 | 0.1   |
| WM2    | 33                     | 100   | 329                     | -1200 | 0.416            | 3     | 0.020                 | 0.1   |
| T1.1   | 0                      | 100   | 0                       | -1200 | 0.00             | 3     | 0.000                 | 0.1   |
| T1.2   | 0                      | 100   | 0                       | -1200 | 0.00             | 3     | 0.000                 | 0.1   |
| T1.3   | 0                      | 100   | 0                       | -1200 | 0.00             | 3     | 0.000                 | 0.1   |

\* Results based on the smoothed movement profile shown in Figure 16.19)

16.8.5 Sewer S2 that runs below Templewood Avenue has recorded spikes in the data which exceed the Thames Water screening criteria for the tensile strain for unreinforced concrete pipes (as reported in Method 2 - Short-term). A smoothing exercise has been undertaken and the raw/smoothed

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deflection profiles are shown Figure 16.19. The combined strains of Sewer S2 resulting from both raw and smoothed deflection profiles are presented in Figure 16.20 and Figure 16.21.

Figure 16.19: Raw and smoothed deflection profiles of Sewer S2 – Method 2 CIRIA Excavation and Installation + Long-term loading



Figure 16.20: Combined strain profile of Sewer S2 – Method 2 CIRIA Excavation and Installation + Long-term Loading - based on raw deflection profile



Distance (from start of specific utility) [m]



# Figure 16.21: Movement profile of Sewer S2 – Method 2 – CIRIA curves + Long-term loading – based on smoothed deflection profile



Distance (from start of specific utility) [m]

## 16.9 EXCAVATION PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

- 16.9.1 The CIRIA C760 "*Excavation in front of stiff wall in stiff clay*" curve has been scaled by 15% in order to ensure that none of the examined façades would be classified at a Burland damage category greater than *Category 1 Very Slight*.
- 16.9.2 It is therefore recommended that lateral wall deflections, arising from the proposed excavation works, are limited to 4mm in areas surrounding the Schreiber Pool area and where a single level basement is envisaged. Maximum lateral wall deflections of up to 6mm should be considered for the southern area of the proposed second basement level (plant room) excavation.

### 16.10 Conclusions & Closing Remarks

- 16.10.1 The interaction between the proposed 35 Templewood Avenue development, the Schreiber House and 33 Templewood Avenue has been reviewed as part of the GMA study presented herein.
- 16.10.2 The proposed development construction operations comprise a series of stages, including demolition works, basement deepening/excavation and construction of the proposed scheme. The impact of construction works has been reviewed on the basis of two alternative methods i.e. evaluating the effects of unloading/overburden removal using Pdisp (Method 1) and the excavation effect using empirical CIRIA ground movement curves in Xdisp (Method 2).
- 16.10.3 The two different scenarios have been considered in order to bind the potential ground movements arising from the proposed works (i.e. maximum potential heave and settlement respectively). This strategy ensures a robust evaluation of potential impact in light of the bespoke, intricate and workmanship dependent underpinning processes adopted.



- 16.10.4 For Method 1, all neighbouring buildings' façades and boundary walls have been found to fall within damage Category 0 Negligible. For Method 2, the majority of the façades fall within Category 0 Negligible. 3No. façades (Schreiber Pool walls, SP1, SP3 and SP4) as Category 1 Very Slight. No façades or boundary walls have been classified as Category 2 Slight or higher, which satisfies the structural damage criteria of Camden planning authorities.
- 16.10.5 Based on these damage predictions, it can be reasonably concluded that the risk of the proposed works resulting in loss of structural integrity to the boundary walls is low.
- 16.10.6 In addition to the above, assessments were carried out to quantify the potential impact of the proposed development on the adjacent roadway. It has been assessed that the majority of displacements at these locations were <1mm and as such are considered negligible. In the area immediately to the east of the proposed, ground surface vertical and horizontal movements of up to 3mm and 2mm have been calculated, respectively. The risk of damage to the adjacent roadways as a result of the proposed works is therefore considered to be low. However, it may be prudent for the contractor to allow for localised *making good* of any minor surface.
- 16.10.7 The CIRIA C760 "*Excavation in front of stiff wall in stiff clay*" curve has been scaled by 15% in order to ensure that none of the examined façades would be classified at a Burland damage category greater than *Category 1 Very Slight*. It is therefore recommended that lateral wall deflections are limited to those set out herein (see Section 16.9).
- 16.10.8 The impact assessment on the Thames Water assets has been carried out using Oasys XDISP. The results have been presented in Section 16.8. All assets have been found to comply with the Thames Water screening criteria. In some instances, isolated peak values/spikes of tensile strain have been observed for Sewer S2, running under Templewood Avenue. This has been assessed to be the result of modelling simplifications discussed herein. Spikes in curvature/deformation have been ignored as they are not considered representative of realistic deformation behaviour of the asset. A further exercise has been undertaken where the movement profiles were smoothed. It has been therefore concluded that the impact on the Thames Water assets due to the redevelopment proposals is negligible.
- 16.10.9 However, this report should be submitted to Thames Water for review by their asset protection team.
- 16.10.10 It is noted that the predicted ground movements, the associated wall tensile strains and level of damage categorisation are considered to be moderately conservative in view of the relatively cautious ground model assumptions and *greenfield* nature of the assessment undertaken.
- 16.10.11 In addition, it is noted that the GMA will be supplemented by a project specific monitoring regime and Action Plan, which will delineate lines of responsibility, monitor trigger levels and appropriate mitigation measures.
- 16.10.12 Finally, the assessment presented herein is dependent and reliant on the works being undertaken by an experienced contractor, high quality workmanship and appropriate supervision of construction means and methods by experienced personnel.



# 17 FURTHER WORK

- 17.1.1 Deeper ground/hydrology conditions will be confirmed by drilling a cable percussive borehole postdemolition. This could potentially be carried out in the context of a Basement Construction Plan (BCP) stage, subject to LBC's approval.
- 17.1.2 If this shows conventional basement construction to be impractical, the borehole will provide sufficient information for the design of a sheet piled/secant wall, as a contingency.
- 17.1.3 The information will be used to review the impact on subterranean flows and the likelihood of groundwater moving between the site and the Hampstead Heath ponds in an updated Basement Impact Assessment.
- 17.1.4 This report should be submitted to Thames Water for review by their asset protection team.



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**APPENDICES** 



**APPENDIX 1 – FIGURES** 



**APPENDIX 2 – GROUNDSURE REPORTS** 



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# **APPENDIX 4 – QUALITATIVE RISK ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY**



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**APPENDIX 6 – CHEMICAL LABORATORY TEST RESULTS** 



**APPENDIX 7 – GEOTECHNICAL LABORATORY TEST RESULTS** 



**APPENDIX 8 – SOIL GAS MONITORING TEST RESULTS** 



# **APPENDIX 9 – OASYS PDISP/XDISP INPUT/OUTPUT GMA CALCULATIONS**



# **APPENDIX 10 – THAMES WATER ASSETS – RAW DATA PLOTS**



**APPENDIX 11 – ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION**