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Report on:

Land at Bowgreave Rise Care Home, Garstang Road, Garstang, PR3 1YD, -, GARSTANG ROAD, Bowgreave, PR3 1YD

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	ENVIRONMENTAL	PASS
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Assessed by the:



Environmental Risk Team

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7	No further recommendations	



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Consideration(s): 4.21 Solar Farms 4.22 Wind Farms



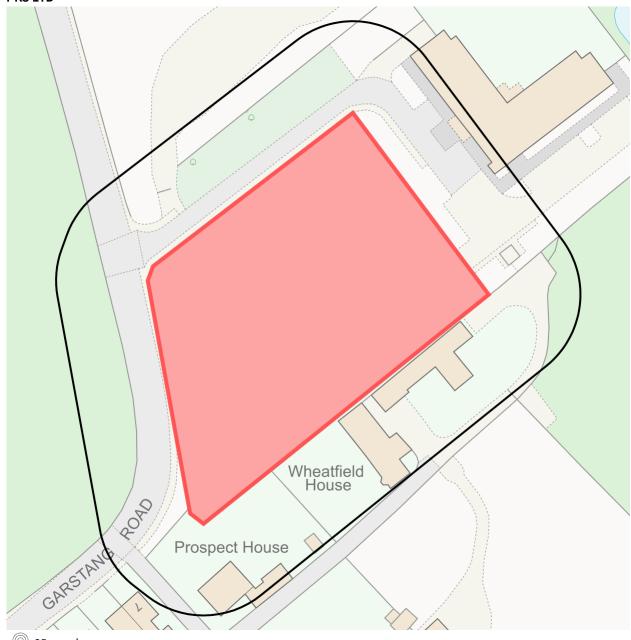






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② 25m scales

Air Quality Index

EARTH SENSE Generally Good (See section 1.27 for more information)



1.01 Professional Opinion | Further Guidance

The way in which land and property is used can have a material impact on third party land and property. The nature of the existing use can give rise to regulatory action if compliance with current environmental regulations is not adhered to and any current use that the property is put to should take into account the sensitivity of the environmental setting. If there is any data identifying sensitive receptors, which may have a significantly increased sensitivity to contamination, these will be highlighted within the report.

In any case, it should also be confirmed that any conditions associated with planning permissions have been signed off by the Local Planning Authority and that there are no residual issues from a building control point of view.

If the client and/or the lender requires cover in the form of contaminated land insurance, this may be available on a bespoke basis. To purchase Contaminated Land Insurance, please contact your usual indemnity or search provider for further assistance.

It should be noted that if any development of the property is considered, a professional inspection and Phase 1 Environmental Survey (Environmental Screening) should be undertaken as part of any Conceptual Site Model to comply with the National Planning Policy Framework. The local Planning Authority may also identify the phased investigation process as a condition of planning approval.

1.02 Official Contaminated Land | Register Entries & Notices



Wyre District (B) Council data indicates that the property is not within 25 metres of an area of land that has been designated Contaminated Land under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

1.20 Past Industrial Land Uses

PASS

In the Professional Opinion of the Environmental Risk Team the property is not on or within 25 metres of any former industrial land uses depicted on historic Ordnance Survey maps from which the level of environmental risk is likely to result in the land beneath the property being determined Contaminated Land within the meaning of Part 2A of the Environmental Act 1990.

1.23 Radon Gas

PASS

Data provided by the British Geological Survey (BGS) indicates that the property is not in a Radon Affected Area.

This is because the property is in a Lower probability radon area (less than 1% of homes are estimated to be at or above the Action Level of 200 Bq m-3), therefore no protective measures are required.

1.27 Air Quality Management Area



Although information on air quality is not included within the Environmental risk assessment in this report we are able to provide information from DEFRA.

Data provided by DEFRA indicates that the property is not in or within 100 metres of an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA). An AQMA is declared where the air pollutants occur above EU and Government targets, and where the council is required to create and follow an Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP) to improve air quality.

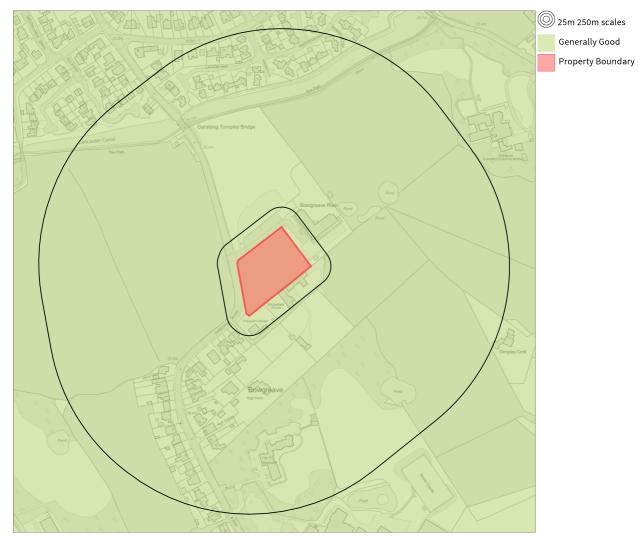
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Please note that though this property is not within an Air Quality Management Area, this does not necessarily guarantee good air quality. For more information on air quality please visit https://uk-air.defra.gov.uk/air-pollution/.

1.28 Air Quality Index





The MappAir[®] air quality dataset provided by Earthsense includes information on Nitrogen Dioxide (NO2) and Particulate Matter (PM2.5) from vehicle emissions and indications from other sources. The model gives an indication of annual mean pollution for 2016 at a resolution of 100 metres.

The data indicates that the property is in an area with a rating of 2 or Some Polluted Areas. A rating of 2 means there is a moderate chance of pollution levels exceeding healthy levels, particularly in poor weather conditions. There is a fair chance of higher pollutant concentrations around major roads.

For further information on air quality go to https://uk-air.defra.gov.uk/

1.30 Checked Datasets



DATASETS

The dataset categories analysed in this section are listed below. For more information, please visit our website.

Official Contaminated Land | Register Entries & NoticesArtificial GroundPotentially Contaminative Current Land UsesElectrical Infrastructure | Electricity PylonsElectrical Infrastructure | Overhead Power LinesElectrical Infrastructure | Power Cables and LinesElectrical Infrastructure | SubstationsDischarge ConsentsEnvironmental Permits | Closed Mining Waste FacilitiesEnvironmental Permits | End of Life Vehicles

Environmental Permits | Industrial Sites Fuel / Petrol Stations Landfill | Historic Past Industrial Land Uses Potentially Infilled Land

Surface Dangers or Hazards | COMAH Sites

Water Abstractions

Environmental Permits | Waste Sites Landfill | Current OFCOM Mast Site Clearance Locations Pollution Incidents Radon Gas Surface Dangers or Hazards | Hazardous Waste Registrations



2.01 River and Sea Flood Risk

PASS

Data provided by the Environment Agency indicates that there is a Negligible risk of flooding from River or Sea within 25 metres of the property.

2.02 Surface Water Flood Risk

PASS

Surface water flooding occurs when heavy rainfall overwhelms the drainage capacity of an area. In these instances, the rainwater does not drain away through the normal drainage systems or soak into the ground, but lies on or flows over the ground instead.

Data provided by JBA Risk Management Ltd (JBA) indicates that there is a negligible risk of Surface Water flooding within 5 metres of the property.

The result of the flood risk assessment in this report is based on the best available national flood models using the best available data sources, from the leading authorities. To avoid contributing to an unforeseen flood event, any drainage on the property should be kept free of blockages to ensure they are functioning to their design capacity so that they do not become overwhelmed.

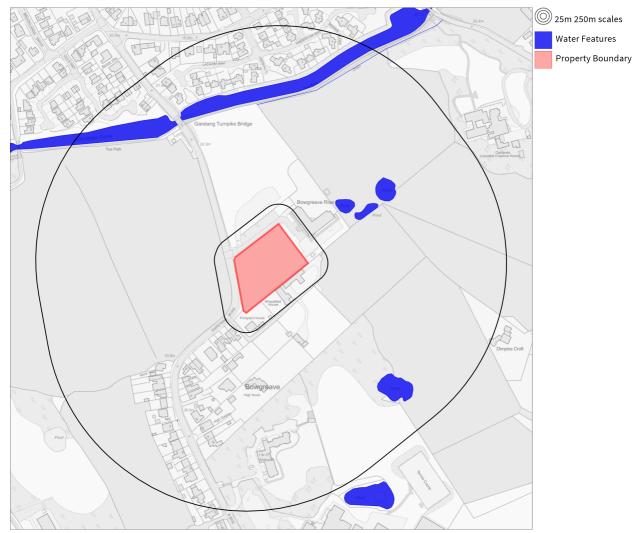
2.03 Groundwater Flooding



Data provided by JBA Risk Management indicates that the property has negligible risk from groundwater flooding.

2.04 Surface Water Features





The Ordnance Survey Map indicates that the nearest body of surface water (such as a stream, river, canal, reservoir, lake or pond) is located 70 metres from the property boundary.

2.05 JBA Floodability Rating

The JBA Risk Management Floodability Rating at this location is No Colour. Clear indicates that the likelihood of flooding is very low.

JBA Floodability data is derived from their high resolution UK flood hazard maps which are used by most insurers when assessing flood risk. Where a higher rating is indicated further investigation into flood risk is usually advisable.

Please always check that your Buildings Insurance policy covers Flood Damage, as the terms of any commercial mortgage or loan (as appropriate) may require all risks to be covered to meet the lender's terms, furthermore if the property is leasehold the landlord may also require that all perils cover is put in place as a requirement of any lease.

2.06 Historic Flooding



Data provided by the Environment Agency indicates that the property is not in or within 250 metres of an area that has flooded in the past. This includes all types of flooding, including Groundwater. However, we would always recommend asking the vendor to confirm whether or not they are aware of any previous flooding at the property.

Please see the previous sections for the Flood Risk as of the date of this report.

2.07 Flood Storage

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PASS

Data provided by the Environment Agency indicates that the property is not located within 25 metres of a Flood Storage Area (land designed and operated to store flood water).

2.08 Dam Break

PASS

Data provided by JBA Risk Management identifies areas of England and Wales that are most likely to suffer damage to property following the sudden and catastrophic failure of a large reservoir embankment or dam. This is a worst case scenario, it's unlikely that any actual flood would be this large. The flooding is predicted using advanced modelling techniques to ascertain if a property or site is potentially at risk in such an event, although not all dams were modelled.

This property is not located in an area modelled by JBA as being in the potential path of water if a reservoir dam or embankment was to fail.

2.09 Sewer Flooding

NOTE

Please note that information on Sewer Flooding is not included in the flood risk assessment in this report. This information is held by the water company responsible for the public sewer network. Sewer flooding happens for a number of reasons but is most likely to occur during storms, when large volumes of rainwater enter the sewers and sewage escapes from a manhole or a drain, or by backing up through toilets, baths and sinks. Sewer flooding can also occur when pipes become blocked.

2.10 Checked Datasets

DATASETS

The dataset categories analysed in this section are listed below. For more information, please visit our website.

River and Sea Flood Risk Groundwater Flooding JBA Floodability Rating Flood Storage Surface Water Flood Risk Surface Water Features Historic Flooding Dam Break

3.01 Professional Advice

For professional advice and guidance relating to the impact of any ground stability issues on your property please contact a Chartered Building Surveyor.

3.02 Property Subsidence Assessment - Clay Shrink-Swell



Shrink-swell refers to a change in soil volume as its moisture content changes. Clay-rich soils can absorb lots of water causing them to swell, the ground to rise and overlying structures to lift. This is known as heave. Heave can occur in wetter weather, or where excess water is introduced into the ground by damaged sewer or water pipes. In prolonged dryer weather, or where nearby trees and shrubs have high water demands, clay soils can become very dry. As a result, the ground shrinks, leading to subsidence. Shrink/swell-prone soils are found extensively across England and Wales, with soil shrinkage accounting for approximately 75% of all instances of subsidence.

The British Geological Survey (BGS) Property Subsidence Assessment dataset is a national assessment of Shrink-Swell susceptibility. As well as soil-type, it factors key environmental drivers such as the proximity of trees and the resilience of the property itself to cope with any movement (e.g. age, foundation depth). This provides a more property-specific assessment of susceptibility to shrink-swell related subsidence than considering geology alone.

The Property Subsidence Assessment data provided by the BGS indicates that the property is classified as having a **Non-Plastic** hazards score. Whilst variation in soil type at a localised level may be present, the BGS classification of non-plastic indicates that the general underlying geology is not prone to shrink–swell related subsidence.

3.05 Geohazards | Running Sand

PASS

The British Geological Survey indicates that the property is within 50 metres of an area of slight potential where sand can be fluidised by water and 'run' if the water table rises, with the potential to remove support from overlying buildings and cause subsidence damage. Certain constraints may apply to land uses involving excavation or the addition or removal of water.

3.15 Natural Cavities

PASS

The British Geological Survey indicates that the property is within 50 metres of an area where soluble rocks are either not thought to be present within the ground, or not prone to dissolution. Dissolution features are unlikely to be present.

3.16 Checked Datasets

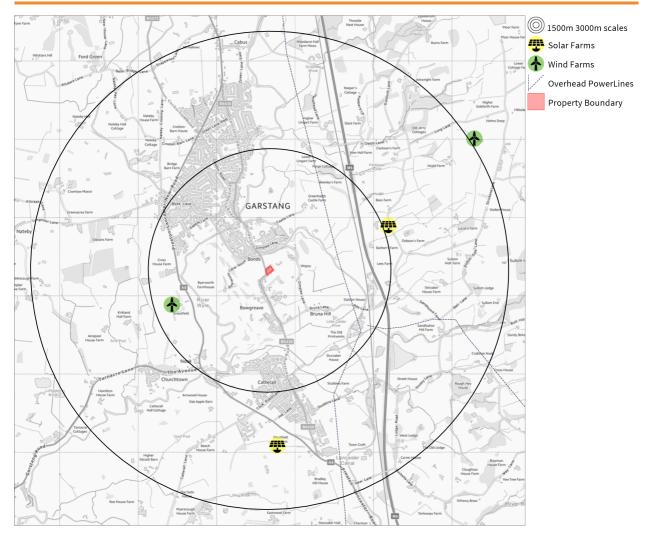


DATASETS

The dataset categories analysed in this section are listed below. For more information, please visit our website.

Property Subsidence Assessment - Clay Shrink-Swell Geohazards | Compressible Ground Landslips/slides | Mass Movement Mining | Britpits Mining | Coal Mining Mining | Mining Hazards (Non-Coal) Modified Ground | Historical Analysis Geohazards | Collapsible Deposits Geohazards | Running Sand Landslips/slides | Slope Instability Mining | Cheshire Brine Compensation Area Mining | Mining Cavities (Non-Coal) Modified Ground | Artificial Ground Natural Cavities

4.01 Energy Map



4.15 Oil and Gas | Licensed Areas (inc. Shale Gas)

PASS

Data provided by the North Sea Transition Authority (NSTA) indicates that the property is in or within 100 metres of an area that is licensed for onshore Petroleum Exploration and Development (which includes shale gas extraction, or 'fracking').

However, a Petroleum Exploration and Development Licence (PEDL) area can be quite large and is only a preliminary step for an energy production company to establish an operational site. A PEDL alone does not imply that a site will become operational and drilling will actually occur. An operator wishing to drill an exploratory well under a PEDL must first negotiate access with landowners, and obtain numerous consents, including planning permission and environmental permits. The North Sea Transition Authority (NSTA) will only give consent to drill once the planning authority has granted permission, and the relevant planning conditions have been discharged. Subsequently, an operator wishing to progress from exploration to actually start production must start afresh with the consents/permissions process.

If there is any information relating to a site which has obtained the necessary consents/permissions and begun operating under a PEDL, it will appear under 'OIL AND GAS | CURRENT AND HISTORIC SITES' section further down.

Additionally, please note that although PEDLs included the potential for energy production by fracking, the English and Welsh governments currently prohibit this activity on the basis of Scientific evidence presented by the North Sea Transition Authority (NSTA) on the potential seismic impacts or tremors it may cause.

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4.21 Solar Farms

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PASS (WITH CONSIDERATIONS)

Data provided by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ) indicates that the property is within 3000 metres of one or more solar farm(s).

Any infrastructure project has the potential to create blight caused by the uncertainty as to the project outcomes and this can affect the ability to buy and sell property in the affected areas. If any related data is available it will appear below.

Contractor/Applicant	Site Name	Address	Status	Distance	Source
Noventum Power Limited	Turners Lane, Barnacre - Solar Farm	Turners Farm Turners Lane Barnacre Preston	A planning application for this project has been submitted and the outcome is awaited	1571 m	Departmen t for Energy Security and Net Zero
Hive Energy/ Vogt Solar	Westfield Farm	Westfield Farm, Catterall	This installation is recorded as operational	2183 m	Departmen t for Energy Security and Net Zero

<u>CONSIDERATIONS</u>: As part of your buying decision, you should consider whether Solar Farms will affect your quiet enjoyment of the site.

4.22 Wind Farms

PASS (WITH CONSIDERATIONS)

Data provided by Renewable UK indicates that the property is within 3000 metres of one or more existing or proposed wind farms.

Any infrastructure project has the potential to create blight caused by the uncertainty as to the project outcomes and this can affect the ability to buy and sell property in the affected areas. If any related data is available it will appear below.

Name	Address	Developer	Owner	No. of Turbines	Project Status	Project Type	Distance	Source
Dewlay Chees	e Garstang	Wind Direct Ltd	Resonance British Wind Energy Income	1	Operationa l	onshore	1269 m	RenewableUK

<u>CONSIDERATIONS</u>: As part of your buying decision, you should consider whether Solar Farms will affect your quiet enjoyment of the site.

4.23 Checked Datasets

DATASETS

The dataset categories analysed in this section are listed below. For more information, please visit our website.

Carbon Capture & Storage	Electrical Infrastructure Electricity Pylons
Electrical Infrastructure Overhead Power Lines	Electrical Infrastructure Power Cables and Lines
Electrical Infrastructure Substations	Hydropower Existing
Hydropower Potential	Major Energy Infrastructure Gas Pipe
Major Energy Infrastructure Gas Site	Major Infrastructure Projects Crossrail
Major Infrastructure Projects HS2	Major Infrastructure Projects Thames Tideway Tunnel

Oil and Gas | Licensed Areas (inc. Shale Gas) Oil and Gas | Underground Coal Gasification Power Stations | Nuclear Power Solar Farms Oil and Gas | Current and Historic Sites Power Stations Railways Wind Farms

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5.01 Aquifer Designation



PASS

Data provided by the British Geological Survey (BGS) indicates that the property is located within 25 metres of an area where the aquifer designation at the property location is "Principal Aquifer". Layers of rock or drift deposits that have high intergranular and / or fracture permeability meaning they usually provide a high level of water storage. They may support water supply and/or river base flow on a strategic scale. In most cases, principal aquifers are aquifers previously designated as major aquifer.

5.02 Bedrock Geology



PASS

Data provided by the British Geological Survey (BGS) indicates that the property is located within 25 metres of an area where the Bedrock Geology is sandstone.

5.03 Ecological Features

PASS (WITH CONSIDERATIONS)

We have analysed data about the ecological setting of this property and these features may present themselves as receptors of contamination should this be present from historic or current land uses. The property is on or within 25 metres of the following classifications:

Feature	Source	Distance
National Character Area: Lancashire and Amounderness Plain	Natural England	0 m

Regardless of whether or not the property has historically been subject to a contaminative use any current use that the property is put to should reflect the sensitivities of this designation.

The way in which land and property is used can have a material impact on third party land and property. The nature of the existing use can give rise to regulatory action if compliance with current environmental regulations is not adhered to.

<u>CONSIDERATIONS</u>: If redevelopment of the property is being considered compliance with the National Planning Policy Framework will be required. This would require the production of a conceptual site model and intrusive investigation cannot be ruled out. A Chartered Environmental Surveyor or appropriate consultant should be appointed to produce the conceptual site model.

5.04 Geological Permeability

PASS

Data provided by the British Geological Survey (BGS) indicates that the property is located within 25 metres of an area where the predominant permeability flow type is Mixed. The minimum permeability index is High and the maximum permeability index is High.

5.05 Groundwater Vulnerability

PASS (WITH CONSIDERATIONS)

Data provided by the Environment Agency indicates that the property is located within 25 metres of an area where groundwater resources may be vulnerable from activities carried out on the surface. The Groundwater has been assigned as having highly permeable groundwater with low leaching potential.

Groundwater resources may be vulnerable from activities carried out on the surface of the land. Other information, such as depth of groundwater and thickness and type of overlying cover will always be required for a site-specific assessment.

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CONSIDERATIONS: If redevelopment of the property is being considered compliance with the National Planning Policy Framework will be required. This would require the production of a conceptual site model and intrusive investigation cannot be ruled out. A Chartered Environmental Surveyor or appropriate consultant should be appointed to produce the conceptual site model.

5.06 Source Protection Zones

PASS (WITH CONSIDERATIONS)

Data provided by the Environment Agency indicates that the property is located within a Total Catchment (Zone 3). This is defined as the total area needed to support the abstraction or discharge of a Groundwater Source Protection Zone, which is a protected source of groundwater used for public drinking water supplies.

<u>CONSIDERATIONS</u>: If redevelopment of the property is being considered compliance with the National Planning Policy Framework will be required. This would require the production of a conceptual site model and intrusive investigation cannot be ruled out. A Chartered Environmental Surveyor or appropriate consultant should be appointed to produce the conceptual site model.

5.07 Superficial Deposits



PASS

Data provided by the British Geological Survey (BGS) indicates that the property is located within 25 metres of an area where the Superficial Deposits is/are diamicton.

5.08 Checked Datasets

DATASETS

The dataset categories analysed in this section are listed below. For more information, please visit our website.

Aquifer Designation Ecological Features Groundwater Vulnerability Superficial Deposits Bedrock Geology Geological Permeability Source Protection Zones

6.01 Report Notes

METHODOLOGY

The Commercial report is designed for commercial conveyancing transactions (purchase, sale or renewal of a lease), where redevelopment or a change of use is not proposed. This report provides a desktop risk assessment of contaminated land liabilities (Liabilities) under the Contaminated Land Regime. The assessment is carried out on 'a Property' which is defined as the area of land and buildings specified by the customer.

The assessment is based upon the principle of determining the presence of a plausible contaminant-pathwayreceptor relationship (a contaminant linkage) as outlined by the Environment Agency's Land contamination risk management web pages at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/land-contamination-riskmanagement-lcrm. If all three are identified, then there must also be evidence of significant harm occurring, a significant possibility of significant harm or significant pollution or the possibility of significant pollution to Controlled Waters.

In our reports, **FURTHER ACTION** is only recommended when it is likely that the Local Authority could take action under the Contaminated Land Regime to enforce remediation of a Property. This will normally relate to Defra Category 1 or 2 sites. If no issues are identified, then the report will **PASS**.

If no issues have been identified which might result in regulatory action under the Contaminated Land Regime, but there are other material issues which the customer may wish to consider the report will **PASS (with Considerations)**.

If a report has a **FURTHER ACTION** or a **PASS (with considerations)** then recommendations are made to help resolve the issues identified. Some issues such as air quality are there for information only and in these situations this data is not assessed.

This report is a desk study risk assessment, and no site or ground inspection or physical investigation has been carried out. The impacts of the risks addressed in this report are normally measured in terms of quiet enjoyment, saleability, mortgageability, and the value of the property; the risk assessment in this report is provided by Dye & Durham (UK) Limited (formerly Future Climate Info Limited).

6.02 Contaminated Land

METHODOLOGY

The contaminated land risk assessment used in this report takes account of statutory Contaminated Land as well as information on the various land uses or processes which may have the potential to create Contaminated Land. These include, for example, relevant former industrial land uses shown on historical maps, current industrial land uses, and relevant industrial processes. Risks such as waste sites, licensed discharge consents, radioactive substances, pollution prevention and control licences, explosives, and dangerous substance inventory, Control of Major Accidents and Hazards (COMAH), and Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances (NIHHS), and Planning Hazardous Substance sites are all very highly regulated and as such are excluded from the Contaminated Land risk assessment. Such features at or nearby the property are features that may be considered in the survey or valuation.

R 6.03 Flood Insurance

METHODOLOGY

An overall 'JBA Floodability Rating' is given in this report based solely on JBA Floodability data. This shows the combined flood hazard, in 5 metre grid cells, from multiple sources i.e. river, sea and surface water flooding. Over 85% of insurers use JBA data when assessing flood risk. The JBA Floodability Rating is represented by colour indicators (black, red, amber, green or clear). These indicators however provide no assurance or guarantee that insurance / insurance covering flood risk will or will not be available, no reliance should be placed upon the colour indicators, and appropriate additional enquiries should be made as to the actual availability (or not) of insurance / insurance covering flood risk. Every insurance application is unique, so other perils, risks or a previous claims history may mean that insurance is not available in any event.

6.04 Flood Risk and Impact on Value

METHODOLOGY

The flood risk assessment in this report is based on the best available historic, river, sea, and surface water flooding data. This includes data supplied by the Environment Agency, Natural Resources Wales and JBA Risk

Management. A flood risk assessment using these data sources, however, should not be regarded as definitive. Because the flood risk assessment is based on theoretical risk models, there is always the possibility that exceptional weather conditions and/or failure of flood defences can cause flooding that was not anticipated. No site visit has taken place.

The Professional Opinion on flood risk given in this report is based on a flood risk assessment of River, Sea and Surface Water flooding, using Environment Agency, Natural Resources Wales and JBA Risk Management data. If there is a history of flooding it is reported but it is not included in the flood risk assessment because circumstances can change, for example the provision of flood defences, causing the flood conditions to be different today. Susceptibility to groundwater flooding is reported but is also not included in the flood risk assessment; this is because the data identifies geological conditions which could enable groundwater flooding to occur, but does not model the risk of such an occurrence.

RICS advises that flood risk does reduce the value of a property, compared with a similar property without such a risk. This depends on the particular circumstances of the property, any history of flooding, and the provision of flood defences. For some 'at risk' property, for example, the reduction in value may be offset by an increase due to the property's amenity value close to a river, stream or coast.

6.05 Flood Planning, Flood Warning and Reporting, and Flood Resistance and Resilience Measures

METHODOLOGY

Detailed advice on flooding and resistance and resilience measures, flood risk planning and costs, and flood warning and reporting systems, is available from the following websites:

English Government: https://www.gov.uk/prepare-for-a-flood/find-out-if-youre-at-risk Natural Resources Wales: https://naturalresources.wales/flooding?lang=en

6.06 Limitations

METHODOLOGY

Dye & Durham (UK) Limited (formerly Future Climate Info Limited) reports have been designed to satisfy standard environmental due-diligence enquiries, as recommended by the Law Society's contaminated land warning card. It is a 'remote' investigation and reviews only information provided by the client and from the databases of publicly available information that have been chosen to enable a desk based environmental assessment of the Site. The Report does not include a site investigation, nor does Dye & Durham (UK) Limited (formerly Future Climate Info Limited) make specific information requests of the regulatory authorities for any relevant information they may hold. Therefore, we cannot guarantee that all land uses or factors of concern will have been identified by the Report. The information in the Data Section of the Report is derived from a number of statutory and non-statutory sources. While every effort is made to ensure accuracy, Dye & Durham (UK) Limited (formerly Future Climate Info Limited) cannot guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information or data. Dye & Durham (UK) Limited (formerly Future Climate Info Limited) by external data providers. For further information regarding the datasets reviewed within our assessment, please contact one of our technical team on 0330 900 7500.

6.07 Standard

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