

GroundSure Homebuyers

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26 Feb 2015	13520156	40, GORDON ROAD, LONDON, N9 0LU
<u>Grid Reference</u>	<u>Your Reference:</u>	
534877,193844	13520156	

GROUNDSURE PROFESSIONAL OPINION

Contaminated Land



PASSED

GroundSure considers that there is not a "High Potential Risk"* that the property will be identified as "Contaminated Land" within the meaning set out in Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990. Therefore, GroundSure consider that Contaminated Land issues are unlikely to have a significant impact on the security of the property in normal lending scenarios.

*High Potential Risk" is the level of risk which results in 1% of reports being In Need of Further Assessment.

River, coastal and surface water flooding

IDENTIFIED



A Very Low risk of coastal/river flooding and a High risk of surface water (pluvial) flooding has been identified within 25m of the centre of the property.

The property has been assessed by JBA to have a RED rating with regard to potential insurability. Please see the flood recommendations for further information.

Natural Ground Subsidence

IDENTIFIED



The study site is located in an area where some properties may be affected by Natural Ground Subsidence. Please refer to Section 5.7 for further information.

Key



Issues have been identified. Further investigation is recommended.



No significant issues identified



Some minor issues have been identified which a prudent purchaser may wish to investigate further.

Contact Us

If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our helpline on 0844 249 9202 quoting the above report reference number.



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Other considerations

BGS Non-Coal Mining

The British Geological Survey (BGS) have not identified a risk of non-coal mining at the property.

Coal Mining:

The study site does not lie in an area which may be affected by coal mining

Potential Infilled Land

GroundSure have not identified any past activities that can cause structural problems on or in proximity to the property.

Development Constraints

The property has not been identified to lie within or in close proximity to any designated areas which may restrict development at the site. Please note this relates solely to the environmental and cultural designations listed within Section 4 of this report.

HS2 and Crossrail

The property does not lie within 5km of the proposed High Speed 2 (HS2) train route or within 500m of the proposed Crossrail train route. No further recommendations are necessary.

Groundwater flooding

The site or an area in close proximity is considered to have the potential for groundwater flooding to occur at the surface. Please refer to the Detailed Findings in Section 5.6 for further information.

Radon

The study site is not in a radon affected area, as less than 1% of homes are above the action level. Please refer to the Detailed Findings and Section 5.8 for further information.

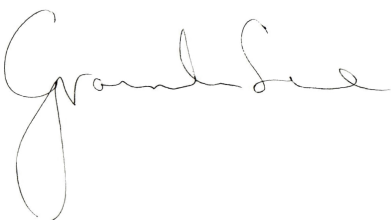
Energy

The property has been identified to lie within 5km of one or more of the following:

Existing or proposed oil/gas/shale gas/coalbed methane wells; Existing or proposed wind turbines; Existing or proposed power stations or nuclear installations; Existing or proposed solar farms.

For further information, you may wish to purchase a GroundSure Energy report.

Please note that no physical inspection of the property has been carried out in the preparation of this report. If you would like any further assistance regarding this report, please contact GroundSure on (T) 08444 159 000, email: info@groundsure.com



Environmental Overview and Guidance

Recommendations - Flood

Environment Agency river/coastal flooding

As the site lies within or in close proximity to an area with a Very Low risk rating in the RoFRaS database, no further recommendations are required.

Historic Flood Events

The site is not recorded to have been subject to historic flooding. However, the absence of data does not provide a definitive conclusion that the site has never flooded, only that the Environment Agency hold no record of any flooding at the site.

JBA surface water (pluvial) flooding

The site lies within or in close proximity to an area considered to be at High risk of surface water flooding, with a predicted depth of flooding of between 0.1 and 0.3m in a 1 in 75 year rainfall event.

Is my property at risk?

Please be aware that this is an automated assessment based upon the highest surface water flood risk found within 25m of the centre of the property. Therefore a purchaser may wish to check the maps provided within this report to confirm whether the flood risk area lies on or in close proximity to the property. If you would like GroundSure to manually assess the property a £35 + VAT fee may be applicable. This manual assessment consists of a further assessment of desktop information, and does not include a site visit. Additionally, please be aware that if your property is within a new or recent development, the digital terrain model (DTM) used to produce the flood map may not be based on current ground levels. Additional information regarding flood risk assessments and works to alleviate flood risk undertaken during the development may be available from the developer.

What can I do if my property is at risk?

If the property itself has been assessed to be at risk of flooding, a prudent purchaser may wish to undertake further flood risk assessments, including but not limited to vendor enquiries, a review of any flood resistance and resilience measures within the property, and enquiries of the relevant department within the local authority. Since the implementation of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010, local authorities have acquired responsibilities for managing surface water flood risk, and as such should have identified areas at risk within their boundaries and proposed means of dealing with surface water flood risk. Some insurers may choose to not provide insurance cover for properties with a significant risk of surface water flooding. We would recommend that comparative quotes are sought to confirm the presence of competitive cover. Alternatively, further bespoke professional flood risk assessments may be available. Please contact GroundSure if you would like some further information regarding such assessments.

JBA Insurability

The property has been rated as Red within JBA's insurability index. Red indicates a level of flood hazard such that (subject to terms, applicant's status, individual insurers' approach to risk and any other factors which may be relevant) insurance covering flood risk may be more difficult to obtain. This rating is calculated by JBA and is based entirely on JBA's modelled river, coastal and pluvial flood risk data. This data is used by a large number of top insurance companies in order to assess flood risk, though individual insurers may also have recourse to further information not used in this assessment such as claim history, and is indicative rather than definitive.

The JBA Insurability Index is categorised on a fivefold scale (subject to terms, applicant's status and individual insurers' approach to risk, and any other factors which may be relevant):

- Green indicates a level of flood hazard such that insurance covering flood risk may be obtainable relatively easily as part of a standard household insurance contract.
- Amber indicates a level of flood hazard such that insurance covering flood risk may be available but may be subject to increased premiums and non-standard and/or additional terms.
- Red indicates a level of flood hazard such that insurance covering flood risk may be more difficult to obtain.
- Black 1 indicates a level of flood hazard such that insurance covering flood risk may be significantly more difficult to obtain.
- Black 2 indicates a level of flood hazard such that insurance covering flood risk may be extremely difficult to obtain.

As this index is indicative we recommend a number of insurers are contacted in order to obtain a comparative quote.

Flood Resistance Measures from Watertight

Watertight International provide a fully comprehensive Flood Protection System, covering all aspects of domestic property flooding. In areas where insurance was previously unavailable, Watertight can enable insurance cover.

Watertight's patented system is based on a simple premise: if all means by which water can enter the property are blocked effectively, your house and contents will be simply safe and dry.

Based on this premise, Watertight has collaborated with insurers, builders and surveyors to provide products which exceed current flood safety standards and recommendations.

Homeowners are often left with the responsibility and financial burden of providing protection for their property; in lieu of extensive civil defence projects or the costly upgrading of our archaic, Victorian-era sewerage system, **Watertight** can relieve these burdens.

Watertight's systems are flexible in the face of the enormous range of buildings and building materials common - and not-so-common- to the UK; moreover, **Watertight's** services are comprehensive enough to enable insurance cover in situations where insurance has been tough to come by.

Watertight is an environmentally responsible company, using recycled materials - from old double-glazing to old yoghurt and milk cartons - so 95% of their barriers are sourced from recycled material. Further, all manufacturing is UK-based, meaning distribution distances and carbon footprints are at a bare minimum.

Below is an example list of the sort of flood-prevention materials and techniques Watertight can provide to assist in increasing the possibility of insurance for flood-prone properties:

Item	Notes	Guide Price
Sewage Backflow Prevention	Around 50% of flooding events in the UK are caused by backflow flooding; installation of sewage backflow prevention devices can drastically reduce the potentially ravaging effects of backflow flooding.	£150-450
Watertight's Smart Airbricks	A single airbrick - porous bricks in the fabric of a building which allow it to breathe - can allow so much as 50,000 litres of water to pass through it in a single hour. Watertight's Smart Airbricks can provide a modern, intelligent solution to this potentially catastrophic problem.	£250-750
Repointing of damaged brickwork	Houses can easily generate multiple potential ingress points for water; simple modifications such as holes created for satellite dishes can severely exacerbate water intake to a property. Watertight's repointing of damaged brickwork and application of waterproof coating ensures the building's integrity in a flood event and guarantees that all your building's invisible pores are filled.	£500-1000
Demountable flood barriers	Any door is a potential weak spot in flooding, and once breached will allow in the majority of water. Demountable flood barriers provide the most robust protection for any property at risk from flooding, with peace of mind for no extra cost.	£1,500-3,000
Total Protection	A combination of all of the above - ensuring that the entirety of your property is the safest it can possibly be from flood damage.	£2,500-5,000

If you would like to discuss flood protection measures for your property, please contact GroundSure on: 08444 159000, quoting the report reference.

Overview of Findings

Factor	Assessment	Section
Potentially Contaminative Historical Land Uses		
1:10,000 & 1:10,560 scale Historical Data [Nationwide]	Passed	1.1
Potentially Infilled Land (1:10,000 & 1:10,560 scale survey)	Passed	1.2
Additional Information 1:2,500 scale Historical Data		
Historical Tanks	Passed	1.3
Historical Energy Features	Passed	1.4
Historical Petrol Stations	Passed	1.5
Historical Garage / Vehicle Repair	Passed	1.6
Historical Military / Ordnance Sites	Passed	1.7
Landfill and Waste Sites		
Landfill Sites	Passed	2.1
Landfills from Local Authority and Historical Mapping Records	Passed	2.2
Waste Treatment, Transfer or Disposal Sites	Passed	2.3
Environment Agency Licensed Waste Sites	Passed	2.4
Industrial Sites and Processes		
Potentially Contaminative Industrial Sites	Passed	3.1
Petrol & Fuel Sites	Passed	3.2
Part A Authorised Processes	Passed	3.3
Part A (2) and Part B Authorised Processes	Passed	3.4
Radioactive Substance Authorisations	Passed	3.5
Licensed Discharges	Passed	3.6
Dangerous Substance Inventory	Passed	3.7
Dangerous or Hazardous Sites (COMAH or NIHHS)	Passed	3.8
EPA1990 Sites	Passed	3.9
Environment Agency Recorded Pollution Incidents	Passed	3.10
Hazardous Substance Consents and Enforcements	Passed	3.11
Environmental Setting		
Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	No	4.1
Ramsar Sites	No	4.2
National Nature Reserves (NNR)	No	4.3
Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)	No	4.4
Special Protection Areas (SPA)	No	4.5
Local Nature Reserves (LNR)	No	4.6
World Heritage Sites	No	4.7
Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)	No	4.8
National Parks (NP)	No	4.9
Green Belt	No	4.10
Designated Ancient Woodland	No	4.11
Natural Hazards & Additional Factors		

What is the maximum Risk of Flooding from Rivers and the Sea (RoFRaS) Flood Rating within 25m of the centre of the property?	Very Low	5.1
Are there any Areas Benefiting from Flood Defences within 250m?	No	5.2
Are there any Areas Used for Flood Storage within 250m?	No	5.3
Has the site or an area within 25m been subject to past flooding as recorded by the Environment Agency?	No	5.4
What is the maximum Surface Water flood risk identified within 25m of the centre of the property?	High	5.5
What is the maximum susceptibility to Groundwater Flooding in proximity to the study site?	Potential at surface	5.6
Natural Ground Subsidence	Moderate - High	5.7
Radon	The property is not in a Radon Affected Area, as less than 1% of properties are above the Action Level	5.8
Radon Protective Measures	None	5.9
Mining		
Coal Mining	No	6.1
BGS Non-Coal Mining	Unclassified	6.2
Mining Cavities	No	6.3
Natural Cavities	No	6.4
Historical Mining	No	6.5
Historical Underground Workings	No	6.6
Additional Information		
Ofcom Sitefinder Mobile Phone Mast Records	No	7.1
Mobile Phone Mast Planning Records	Yes	7.2
Overhead Electricity Transmission Lines and Pylons	No	7.3
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Notes on Professional Assessments

Professional Assessment of Contaminated Land

Please note that this assessment takes account of the following data: historical land use, landfill and waste transfer/treatment or disposal sites, scrap yards, current industrial uses (as defined by PointX data), Part A(1), A(2) and B Processes, COMAH and NIHHS sites, Dangerous Substances releases, RAS consents, Discharge and Red List Discharge consents, EPA 1990 sites, Pollution Incidents and Hazardous Substance Consents and Enforcements. This information is listed in this report. The Professional Assessment of Contaminated Land does not include assessment of the risk presented by natural hazards such as radon, subsidence or flooding or for past or present coal mining activity. No physical inspection of the property has been carried out.

Our risk assessments assume that the Site will be used for residential accommodation. The report is not suitable for non-domestic properties or for identifying risks for developments at the planning stage in accordance with National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

Professional Assessment of Flood Risk

Please note this assessment is based entirely on information provided by the Environment Agency (river/coastal flooding) and JBA Risk Management (pluvial/surface water flooding).

JBA Insurability

Please note that this assessment is produced by JBA Risk Management and is based entirely on their own modelled data for river flooding, coastal flooding and surface water flooding. As JBA have modelled this data in-house, there may be times when JBA's assessment of river and coastal flood risk will differ from that modelled by the Environment Agency. If you require further explanation of the insurability data, please contact GroundSure.

Introduction to Detailed Findings

All mapped features within this report are given an identification number. This number identifies the feature on the maps which precede the following data sections. All distances provided are in metres and directions are given as compass headings.

Section 1.1 - Historical maps are a widely recognised source of information for investigating site history. Nevertheless, analysis of mapping at 1:10,560 and 1:10,000 scale will not always provide a complete site history. If you are concerned about the former uses of a site, we would advise additional analysis of planning records and/or more detailed historical mapping.

Please note that the number of records identified relates to areas subject to potentially contaminative former activities and these do not necessarily correspond to the number of sites found within these areas.

Section 1.2 - Systematic analysis of historical maps can highlight areas which, over time, have the potential to have been infilled with various materials. Such areas can relate to such features as ditches, ponds, clay pits, brickfields and quarries. Areas of infill do not always refer to landfill sites, although they may sometimes indicate the presence of such sites. Such areas are normally infilled with inert materials, although in some cases contaminative materials may have been used.

Sections 1.3 to 1.6 - Selected highly contaminative land uses have been extracted from 1:2,500 and 1:1,250 scale historical mapping. This database covers the majority of the UK from the first available map, but where areas of the UK are not covered it is indicated in the report as "No Data Available". This indicates that no assessment of the risk from these features is included in the report. In this instance if you are still concerned about the former uses of a site, we would advise additional analysis of planning records and/or more detailed historical mapping.

Section 1.7 - Certain military installations were not noted on historic mapping for security reasons. Whilst not all military land is necessarily of concern, GroundSure has researched and digitised a number of Ordnance Factories and other military industrial features (e.g. Ordnance Depots, Munitions Testing Grounds) which may be of contaminative concern. This research was drawn from a number of different sources, and should not be regarded as a definitive or exhaustive database of potentially contaminative military installations. The boundaries of sites within this database have been estimated from the best evidence available to GroundSure at the time of compilation.

Section 2 – This information is gathered from a wide range of sources including the Environment Agency (Agency) and the British Geological Survey (BGS). Data supplied by Environment Agency refers to waste management licences required by anyone involved in waste disposal under the Environmental Protection Act 1990. A survey by the BGS undertaken in 1972/3 provides data on some older landfill sites, which were not subject to this legislation.

Section 3.1 – The answer to this question is based on searches of current industrial data provided by PointX

Section 3.2 – The answer to this question is based on searches of current and recent petrol stations provided by Catalist.

Sections 3.3, 3.5, 3.7 and 3.10 – This information is supplied by the Environment Agency.

Section 3.6 – The answer to this question is based on searches of Environment Agency databases referencing discharges to controlled waters (Discharge Consents) as well as controlled discharges of more harmful substances to public sewers (Red List Discharge and Water Industry Referrals).

Section 3.4, 3.9 and 3.11 – This information is supplied by Local Authorities.

Section 3.8 – This information is supplied by the Health and Safety Executive.

Section 5.1 – The answer to this question is based upon a 50m search radius from the centre of the search location. This information is supplied by the Environment Agency.

Sections 5.2 to 5.4 – The answers to these questions are based upon a 250m search radius from the centre of the search location. This information is supplied by the Environment Agency.

Sections 5.5-5.9 – The answer to this question is based upon a 50m search radius from the centre of the search location.

Section 6.1 – The answer to this question is based upon information found within 50m of the search centre.

Sections 6.2 and 6.4 – These databases provide an indication of “non-coal” mining and natural ground cavities. They are used to provide an indication that activities that have the potential to cause ground instability issues are present in the general vicinity of the property. However the accuracy of the data is not sufficient to confirm if the property will be directly affected.

Sections 6.5 and 6.6 – Systematic analysis of historical maps can highlight areas where either mining or underground workings have occurred in the past. The information is taken from features presented on historical maps which do not indicate the distance or direction which underground or mining workings extend beneath the surface. e.g features such as mine shafts only indicate the entrance to a mine, and by inference indicate the potential for underground features to extend outward from this point. Some features within this database may also relate to non-mining underground activities e.g. air shafts for underground railways.

Section 7.1 and Section 7.2: Provides information on records of Ofcom-registered mobile phone masts and mobile mast planning records up to 250m

Section 7.3 – Please be aware that the findings contained within the overhead power transmission lines section is based upon information found within [Ordnance Survey OpenData](#).

1. Past Land Use

1.1 Potentially Contaminative Uses

The systematic analysis of data extracted from standard 1:10,560 and 1:10,000 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Are there any potentially contaminative past land uses within 250m of the search centre? Yes

Risk Assessment Passed

Guidance: These findings are not of concern. No further action is recommended.

Distance (m)	Direction	Use	Date
182	W	Unspecified Commercial/Industrial	1974
182	W	Unspecified Commercial/Industrial	1991

1.2 Potentially Infilled Land

The systematic analysis of data extracted from standard 1:10,560 and 1:10,000 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Are there areas of potentially infilled land within 250m of the search centre? Yes

Guidance: These findings are not of concern. No further action is recommended.

The following Historical Surface Ground Working Features derived from the Historical Mapping information is provided by GroundSure:

Distance (m)	Direction	Use	Date
201	W	Pond	1864
201	W	Pond	1866

1.3 Additional Information – Historical Tank Database

The systematic analysis of data extracted from High Detailed 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Are there any historical tanks within 100m of the search centre? No

Risk Assessment Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended

1.4 Additional Information – Historical Energy Features Database

The systematic analysis of data extracted from High Detailed 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Are there any historical energy features within 100m of the search centre? No

Risk Assessment Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended

1.5 Additional Information – Historical Petrol Station Database

The systematic analysis of data extracted from High Detailed 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Are there any historical petrol stations within 100m of the search centre? No

Risk Assessment Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended

1.6 Additional Information – Historical Garage and Motor Vehicle Repair Database

The systematic analysis of data extracted from High Detailed 1:1,250 and 1:2,500 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Are there any historical garage and motor vehicle repair sites within 100m of the search centre? No

Risk Assessment Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended

1.7 Historical Military/Ordnance Sites

Analysis of historic military records has identified the following information.

Are there any historical military industrial sites known to GroundSure within 100m of the search centre?

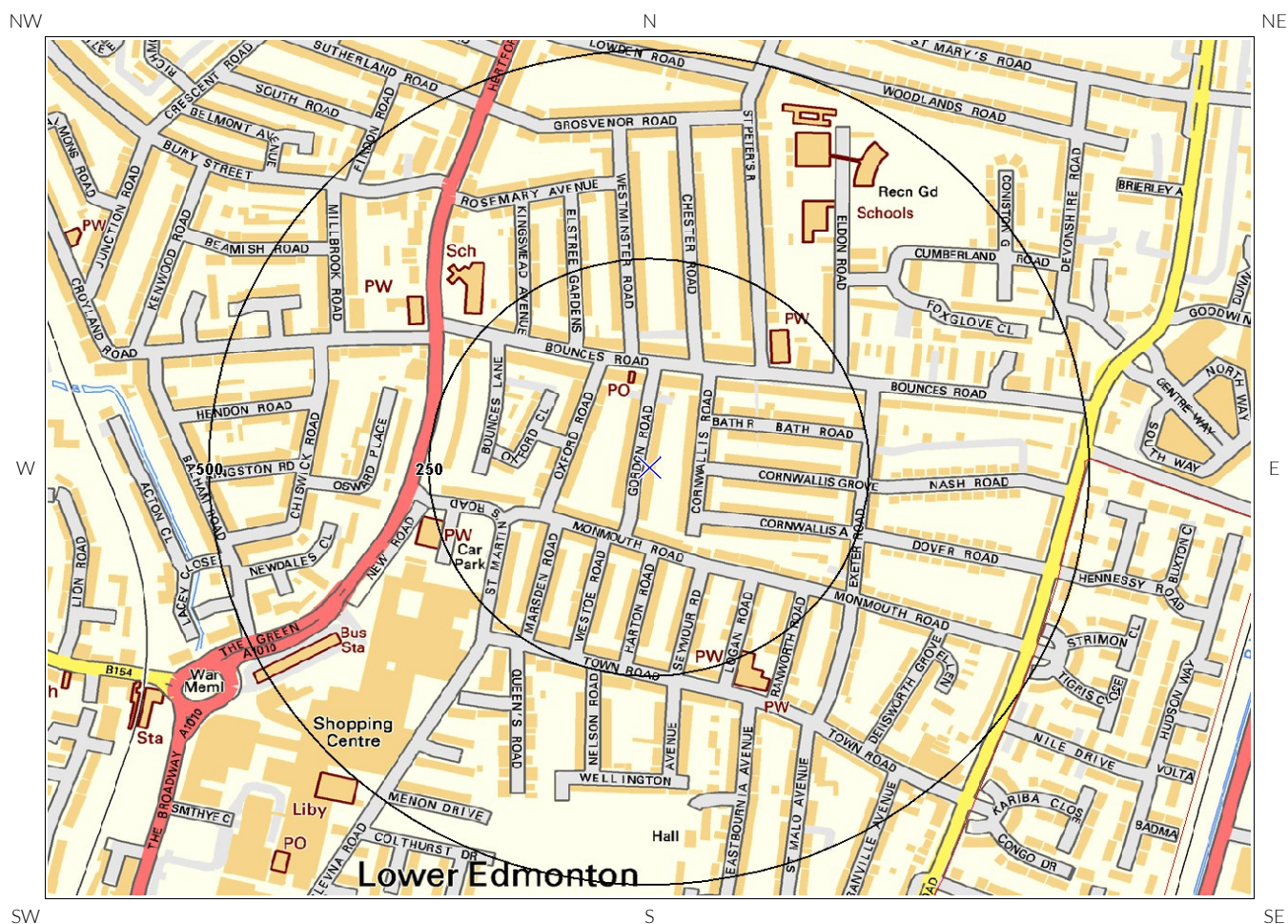
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Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended

2. Landfill and Waste Sites



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- X Site Outline
 — 250 — Search Buffers (m)
 — 500 —
 E.A. Active Landfill
 E.A. Historic Landfill
 BGS / DoE Survey Landfill
 Historic and Planned Waste Sites
 E.A. Licensed Waste Site
 Local Authority/Historical Mapping Landfill Records

2. Landfill and Waste Sites

2.1 Landfill Sites

Are there any operational or non-operational landfill sites within 500m of the search centre?

Yes

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: These findings are not of concern. No further action is recommended.

2.1.1 Environment Agency Active Landfill Sites

Database searched and no data found.

2.1.2 Environment Agency Historic Landfill Sites

The following records are represented as points and polygons on the Landfill and Waste Sites map. Only points or polygons within 500m of the property are detailed.

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Details		
1	482	E	Site Address: Montagu Road, Edmonton Waste Licence: - Site Reference: 5300/0024 Waste Type: Inert, Industrial, Liquid sludge, Environmental Permitting Regulations (Waste) Reference: -	Licence Issue: Licence Surrendered: Licence Holder Address: -	First Input: 31-Dec-1958 Last Input: 31-Dec-1965

2.1.3 British Geological Survey / DoE Landfill Site Survey

Database searched and no data found.

2.2 Records of Landfills in Local Authority and Historical Mapping Records

Are there any additional Landfills in Local Authority and Historical Mapping records within 500m of the search centre? No

Risk Assessment Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended

2.3 Waste Sites

Are there any operational or non-operational waste treatment, transfer or disposal sites within 500m of the search centre? No

Risk Assessment Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended

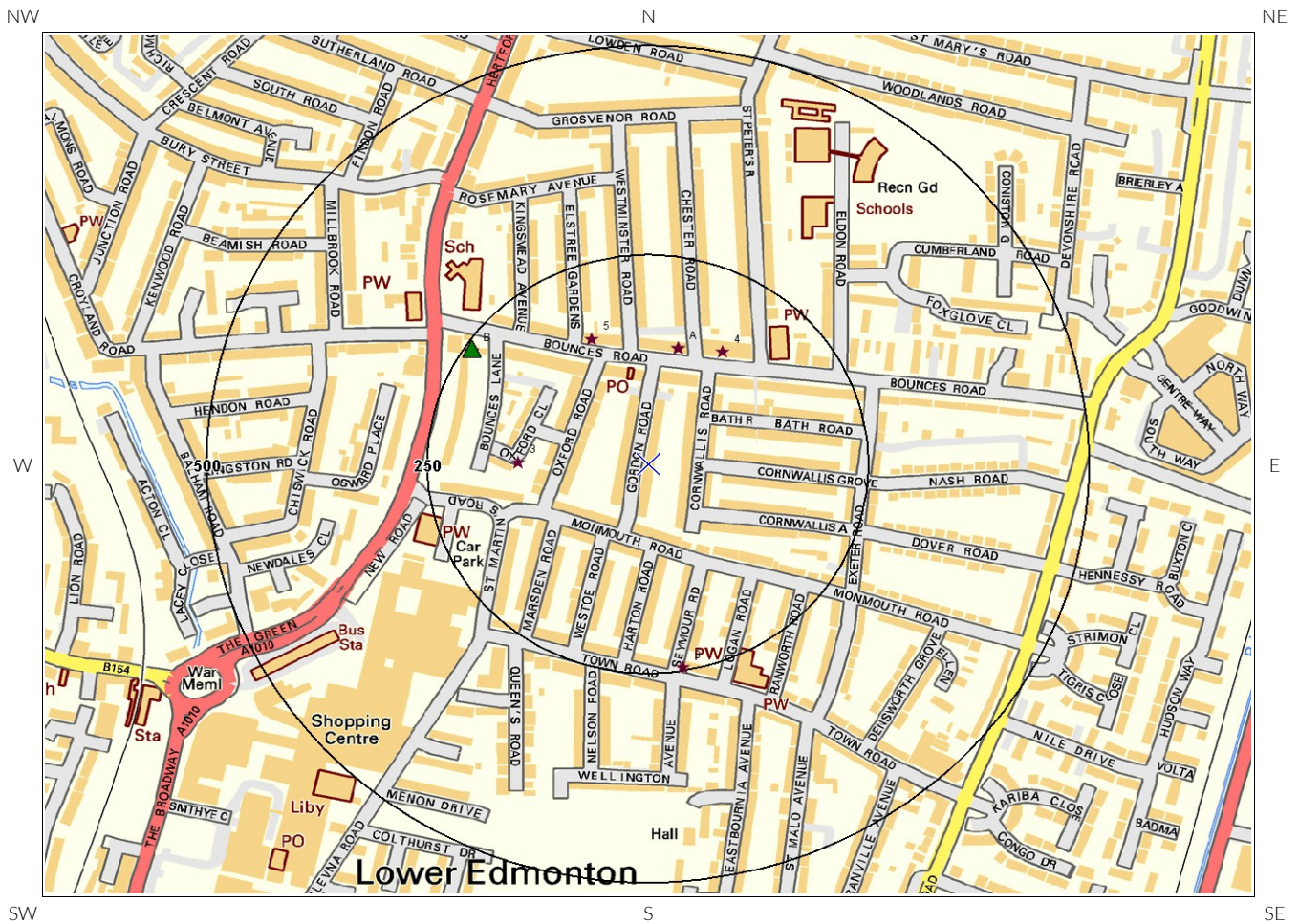
2.4 Environment Agency Licensed Waste Sites

Are there any Environment Agency Licensed Waste Sites within 500m of the search centre? No

Risk Assessment Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended

3. Industrial Sites and Processes



Industrial Sites and Process Legend



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|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| ★ | Potentially Contaminative Industrial Sites | ■ | Dangerous Substances (List 1) |
| ● | Petrol & Fuel Sites | □ | Dangerous Substances (List 2) |
| × | Site Centre | ■ | Sites Determined as Contaminated Land |
| ▲ | Part A Processes | ★ | Recorded Pollution Incident |
| ▲ | Part A(2) and Part B Authorisations | ■ | COMAH / NIHHS Sites |
| ● | Radioactive Consents (Lower Risk) | ◆ | Water Industry Referrals |
| ■ | Discharge Consents | ★ | Hazardous Substance Consents |
| ■ | Red List Discharge Consents | | |

3. Industrial Sites and Processes

3.1 Potentially Contaminative Industrial Sites

Are there any potentially contaminative industrial sites within 250m of the search centre?

Yes

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: These findings are not of concern. No further action is recommended.

The following records are represented as points on the Industrial Sites and Processes map.

ID	Distance (m)	Direction	Company	Address	Activity	Category
1A	143	N	Edmonton Car Paint	69, Bounces Road, London, N9 8JE	Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers	Industrial Products
2A	143	N	Edmonton Car Paints	69, Bounces Road, London, N9 8JE	Vehicle Parts and Accessories	Motoring
3	147	W	Electricity Sub Station	N9	Electrical Features	Infrastructure and Facilities
4	159	NE	Anything Goes	83, Bounces Road, London, N9 8LD	Clearance and Salvage Dealers	Recycling Services
5	164	NW	Kosmos Auto Electrics	35, Bounces Road, London, N9 8JD	Vehicle Repair, Testing and Servicing	Repair and Servicing
6B	242	NW	Hertford Road Garage	134, Hertford Road, London, N9 7HL	Petrol and Fuel Stations	Road and Rail
7B	242	NW	Hertford Road Garage	134, Hertford Road, London, N9 7HL	Vehicle Cleaning Services	Personal, Consumer and Other Services
8B	242	NW	Hertford Road Garage	134, Hertford Road, London, N9 7HL	Petrol and Fuel Stations	Road and Rail
9	245	S	Electricity Sub Station	N9	Electrical Features	Infrastructure and Facilities

3.2 Petrol and Fuel Sites

Are there any petrol and fuel sites within 250m of the search centre?

No

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended.

3.3 Part A(1) Authorised Processes

Are there any Part A(1) Authorised Processes within 500m of the search centre?

No

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended.

3.4 Part A(2) and Part B Authorised Processes and Enforcements

Are there any Part A(2) and Part B Authorised Processes and Enforcements within 250m of the search centre?

Yes

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: These findings are not of concern. No further action is recommended.

The following records are represented as points on the Industrial Sites and Processes map.

ID	Distance	Direction	Address	Local Authority	Processes Undertaken	Permit Type	Details of Enforcement Action
10B	242	NW	Hertford Road Garage, 134 Hertford Road, Edmonton, N9 7HL	Enfield London Borough Council	Petroleum Process	Part B	Enforcement: No Enforcement Notified Date of Enforcement: No Enforcement Notified Comment: No Enforcement Notified

3.5 Radioactive Substance Authorisations

Are there any radioactive substance authorisations within 500m of the search centre?

No

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended

3.6 Licensed Discharge Consents

Are there any licensed discharge consents within 250m of the search centre?

No

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended.

3.7 Dangerous Substance Inventory

Are there any dangerous substance inventory sites within 500m of the search centre?

No

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended.

3.8 Dangerous or Hazardous Sites

Are there any COMAH & NIHHS sites within 500m of the search centre?

No

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended.

3.9 Sites Determined as Contaminated Land under Part 2A EPA 1990

Does the Local Authority hold information under Section 78R of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 for any sites within 250m of the search centre?

No

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended.

3.10 Environment Agency Recorded Pollution Incidents

Are there any Environment Agency recorded pollution incidents within 250m of the search centre?

No

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended.

3.11 Hazardous Substance Consents and Enforcements

Are there any Hazardous Substance Consents or Enforcement within 500m of the search centre?

No

Risk Assessment

Passed

Guidance: GroundSure has searched this database and no data was found. No further action is recommended.

4. Environmental Setting

Designated Sites

Presence of sites of ecological and environmental value within 250m of the study site?

No

4.1 Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)

Records of Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) within 250m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

4.2 Ramsar sites

Records of Ramsar sites within 250m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

4.3 National Nature Reserves

Records of National Nature Reserves (NNR) within 250m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

4.4 Special Areas of Conservations (SAC)

Records of Special Areas of Conservation (SAC) within 250m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

4.5 Special Protection Areas (SPA)

Records of Special Protection Areas (SPA) within 250m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

4.6 Local Nature Reserves (LNR)

Records of Local Nature Reserves (LNR) within 250m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

4.7 World Heritage Sites

Records of World Heritage Sites within 250m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

4.8 Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty

Records of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)/National Scenic Areas within 250m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

4.9 National Parks

Records of National Parks (NP) within 250m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

4.10 Green Belt

Records of Green Belt land within 250m of the study site:

0

Database searched and no data found.

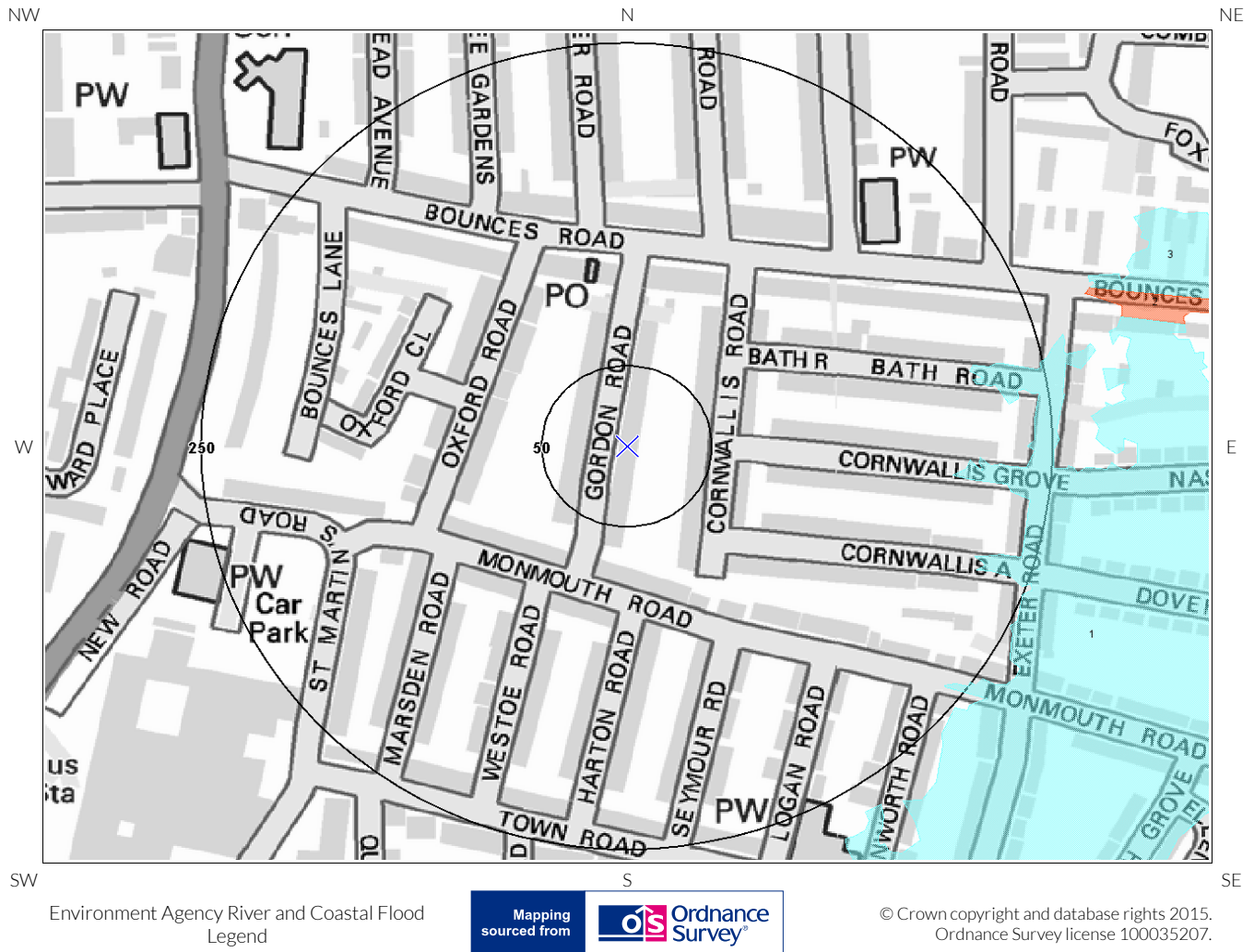
4.11 Designated Ancient Woodland

Records of Ancient Woodland within 250m of the study site:

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Database searched and no data found.

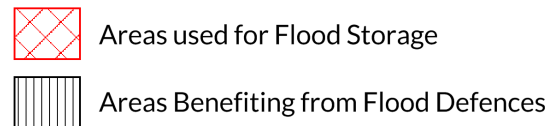
5a. Environment Agency River and Coastal Flood Map



RoFRaS Rating



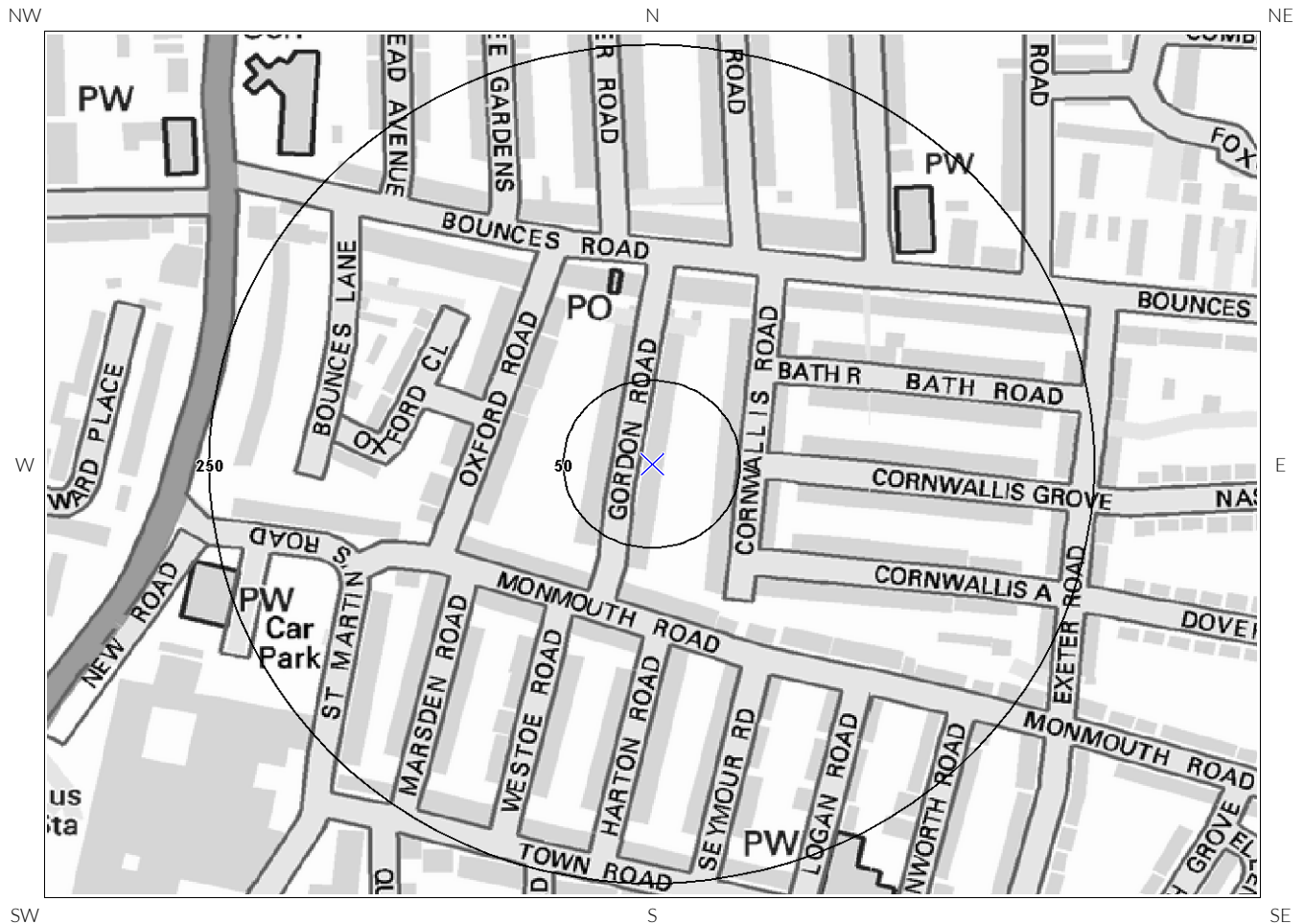
Flood Defences



Site Centre

100 Search Buffers (m)
 250 Search Buffers (m)

5b. Environment Agency Recorded Historic Flood Events



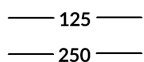
Environment Agency Recorded Historic Flood
Events Legend.



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Site Outline

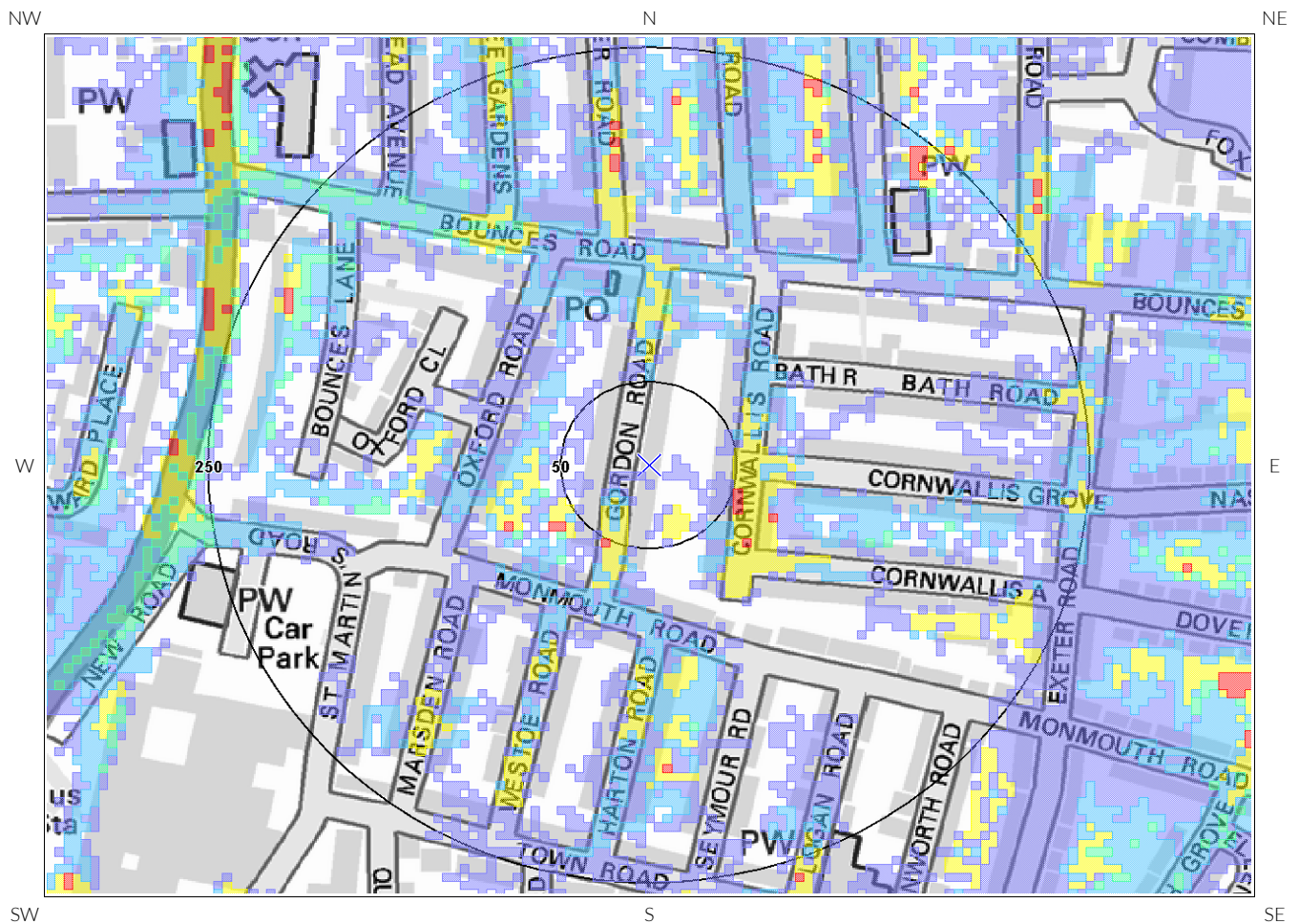


Search Buffers (m)



Historic Flood Events

5c. JBA Surface Water (Pluvial) Flood Map



JBA Surface Water (Pluvial) Flood Legend



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5. Natural Hazards and Additional Factors

5.1 Risk of Flooding from Rivers and the Sea (RoFRaS)

What is the risk of flooding at the centre of the study site?

Very Low

What is the highest risk of flooding within 25m of the centre of the study site?

Very Low

The Environment Agency RoFRaS database provides an indication of river and coastal flood risk at a national level on a 50m grid as used by many of the insurance companies. RoFRaS data is based on a 50m grid system, with the flood rating at the centre of the grid calculated and given below. The data considers the probability that the flood defences will overtop or breach, and the distance from the river or the sea.

RoFRaS data for the study site indicates the property has a Very Low (less than 1 in 1000) chance of flooding in any given year.

5.2 Areas Benefiting from Flood Defences

Are there any areas benefiting from Flood Defences within 250m of the study site?

No

5.3 Areas used for Flood Storage

Are there any areas used for Flood Storage within 250m of the study site?

No

5.4 Historic Flooding Events

Has the site or any area within 250m of the site been subject to historic flooding as recorded by the Environment Agency? No

This database shows the individual footprint of every flood event recorded by the Environment Agency and previous bodies. This data is used to understand where flooding has occurred in the past and provides details as available. Absence of a historic flood event for an area does not mean that the area has never flooded, but only that the Environment Agency do not currently have records of flooding within the area. Equally, a record of a flood footprint in previous years does not mean that an area will flood again, and this information does not take account of flood management schemes and improved flood defences.

Historic flooding events: Database searched and no data found.

5.5 JBA Surface (Pluvial) Water Flooding

Surface Water (pluvial) flooding is defined as flooding caused by rainfall-generated overland flow before the runoff enters a watercourse or sewer. In such events, sewerage and drainage systems and surface watercourses may be entirely overwhelmed.

Surface Water (pluvial) flooding will usually be a result of extreme rainfall events, though may also occur when lesser amounts of rain falls on land which has low permeability and/or is already saturated, frozen or developed. In such cases overland flow and 'ponding' in topographical depressions may occur.

What is the risk of pluvial flooding at the centre of the study site?

Negligible

What is the highest risk of pluvial flooding within 25m of the centre of the study site?

High

Guidance: The site or an area in close proximity has been assessed to be at High Risk of surface water (pluvial) flooding. This indicates that this area would be expected to be affected by surface water flooding in a 1 in 75 year rainfall event to a depth of between 0.1m to 0.3m

This data is provided by JBA Risk Management, © Jeremy Benn Associates Limited 2008-2015

The following pluvial (surface water) flood risk records within 50m of the study site are shown on the JBA Surface Water Flooding Map:

Distance	Direction	Risk
4	SW	Low
9	SE	Low
9	S	Low
18	SW	Low
20	S	Low
22	SW	Low to Moderate
22	SW	Low to Moderate
25	SW	High
25	S	Low
26	SW	Low
27	SW	High
27	SE	High
29	S	Low
29	SW	Low to Moderate
29	SW	Low to Moderate
31	SE	Low
33	W	Low
36	NW	Low
37	W	Low
38	E	Low
39	S	Low
40	SE	Low

Distance	Direction	Risk
44	SW	Low
45	S	Low
47	W	Low
47	SW	Low
47	SE	Low to Moderate
48	E	High
48	SW	High
49	S	Low
49	SW	Significant
50	SW	Low
50	E	Significant

5.6 Groundwater Flooding Susceptibility

What is the susceptibility to Groundwater Flooding in the search area based on the underlying geological conditions? Potential for groundwater flooding at surface

Guidance: Where potential for groundwater flooding to occur at surface is indicated, this means that given the geological conditions in the area groundwater flooding hazard should be considered in all land-use planning decisions. It is recommended that other relevant information e.g. records of previous incidence of groundwater flooding, rainfall, property type, and land drainage information be investigated in order to establish relative, but not absolute, risk of groundwater flooding.

Groundwater flooding is defined as the emergence of groundwater at the ground surface or the rising of groundwater into man-made ground under conditions where the normal range of groundwater levels is exceeded. The BGS Susceptibility to Groundwater Flooding hazard dataset identifies areas where geological conditions could enable groundwater flooding to occur and where groundwater may come close to the ground surface. The susceptibility data is suitable for use for regional or national planning purposes where the groundwater flooding information will be used along with a range of other relevant information to inform land-use planning decisions. It might also be used in conjunction with a large number of other factors, e.g. records of previous incidence of groundwater flooding, rainfall, property type, and land drainage information, to establish relative, but not absolute, risk of groundwater flooding at a resolution of greater than a few hundred metres. The susceptibility data should not be used on its own to make planning decisions at any scale, and, in particular, should not be used to inform planning decisions at the site scale. The susceptibility data cannot be used on its own to indicate risk of groundwater flooding.

5.7 Natural Ground Subsidence

What is the potential for natural ground subsidence* within the search area?

Moderate - High

Guidance: The natural ground subsidence rating is obtained through the evaluation of six natural ground stability hazard datasets, which are supplied by the British Geological Survey (BGS). These datasets indicate the hazard posed by the occurrence of: Swell-Shrink Clay, Landslide, Compressible Ground, Collapsible Ground, Dissolution of Soluble Rocks and Running Sand. Many factors may contribute to ground subsidence problems. For instance, significant problems can arise in conurbations underlain by clay rich bedrock, such as over clay strata in the South East of England, or South Wales. Whilst surveyors are normally aware of local problem areas, data provided by the BGS can highlight areas where a significant potential for natural ground subsidence exists and which may need particular consideration.

Where moderate - high potential is indicated, this means that there is the potential for natural ground movement to occur that may be of concern. Such ground movement could cause damage to domestic or other properties. However, properties designed, constructed and maintained in compliance with modern building regulations should be unaffected by most minor subsidence. Therefore, if thinking of buying a property in the area, you should seek professional advice from a professional property surveyor and also look at the property yourself in more detail to look for any signs of existing damage. If you already own a property in the area, and you think natural ground movement may have damaged it, you should contact your insurance company for advice. You should also take professional advice before changing the ground in any way, for example, by planting or removing trees, changing drainage or carrying out building work.

*The term "Subsidence" refers to ground movement that could cause damage to foundations in domestic or other properties.

5.8 Radon Affected Areas

Is the property in a radon Affected Area as defined by Public Health England (PHE) and if so what percentage of homes are above the Action Level? The property is not in a Radon Affected Area, as less than 1% of properties are above the Action Level

5.9 Radon Protective Measures

Is the property in an area where radon protection measures are required for new properties or extensions to existing ones as described in publication BR211 by the Building Research Establishment? No radon protective measures are necessary

Combined Radon Guidance: Radon is a colourless, odourless radioactive gas which is present in all areas of the United Kingdom, usually at levels that pose a negligible risk to homebuyers. However, in some areas levels of radon are much higher than in others, and in these cases it can pose a health risk. The data supplied by Public Health England (PHE) and the British Geological Survey (BGS) is not able to determine exact Radon levels, as this information can only be obtained through site-specific, in-situ testing. As less than 1% of properties in the area may be radon affected, PHE do not consider that further action is necessary.

6. Mining

6.1 Coal Authority Coal Mining Records

Is the property within an area which may be affected by past, present or proposed underground coal mining?

No

Guidance: None required.

6.2 BGS Non-Coal Mining Hazards

What is the potential for undermining as a result of underground mineral extraction, excluding coal and minerals extracted as a consequence of coal mining?

Unclassified

Database searched and no data found.

Guidance: The study site lies in an area which is unclassified in relation to non-coal mining. This means that there is no known hazard from underground mine workings because the rock types present are such that no commodities or metal ores have been worked by underground mining methods. It should be noted, however, that there is always the possibility of the existence of other sub-surface excavations, such as wells, cess pits, follies, air raid shelters/bunkers and other military structures etc. that could affect surface ground stability but which are outside the scope of this dataset.

The mining hazard data (not including coal) layer draws together a diverse range of material derived from geology, which constrains distribution, supplemented by literature searches for historic locations and expert knowledge to assemble, interpret, and organise this information. Mining of coal is specifically excluded from this data set and information on Coal Mining areas can be found in Section 6.1.

The data provides an assessment of the likelihood that past underground mining may have occurred in the area. It does not consider the depth of the extraction nor whether any remediation has previously been undertaken. Where extraction of such minerals has taken place in workings close to the surface (meaning to approximately 50m depth) the workings can pose a subsidence risk because they sometimes cause surface collapse. Old mine shafts and other mine openings in such areas can also lead to unexpected surface collapse.

The data provided by the British Geological Survey (BGS) are rated on a five point scale ranging from Rare, through Highly unlikely, Unlikely and Likely to Highly Likely that indicate how likely it is that past underground mining activities may have occurred.

6.3 Mining Cavities

Is the site located in an area of mining cavities?

No

Guidance: This risk rating is obtained from the mining cavities dataset, which is supplied and digitally combined by Peter Brett Associates. There are no records within 250m of the site.

6.4 Natural Cavities

Is the site located in an area of natural cavities?

No

Guidance: This risk rating is obtained from the natural cavities dataset, which is supplied and digitally combined by Peter Brett Associates. There are no records within 250m of the site.

6.5 Historical Mining Features from Detailed Mapping

The systematic analysis of data extracted from standard 1:10,560 and 1:10,000 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Are there any Mining features within 500m of the centre of the study site?

No

Guidance: No further action required.

6.6 Historical Underground Workings Features from Detailed Mapping

The systematic analysis of data extracted from standard 1:10,560 and 1:10,000 scale historical maps provides the following information.

Are there any Historical Underground Working Features within 250m of the centre of the study site?

No

Guidance: No further action required.

7. Additional Information

7.1 Ofcom Sitefinder Mobile Phone Mast Records

Have any mobile phone transmitters registered with Ofcom been identified within 250m of the study site?

No

Database searched and no data found.

This database is taken from Ofcom's Sitefinder database, the Government's database of mobile phone base stations. The last update to this database was applied in May 2012, although some operators ceased providing updates some years before then. Neither Ofcom nor GroundSure can accept any liability for any inaccuracies or omissions in the data provided within Sitefinder.

The most recent update is based on the following datasets received at the specified times by Ofcom: O2 (May 2012), Network Rail (April 2012), Hutchison (February 2012), Vodafone (October 2011), Airwave (February 2010), Orange (February 2010) and T-Mobile (August 2005). Sites added since these dates will not appear in the database.

7.2 Mobile Phone Mast Planning Records

Have any planning records relating to telecommunication masts been identified within 250m of the study site?

Yes

The following records within 250m have been found within this search:

Distance (m)	Direction	Application Number	Application Date	Applicant	Details
205	NE	No Details	Jun 3 2010	Vodafone Group plc	Scheme comprises installation of a 11.8m high telecommunication s monopole with 3 antennas and 2 equipment cabinets at base.

Distance (m)	Direction	Application Number	Application Date	Applicant	Details
209	NE	No Details	Aug 22 2006	Vodafone Ltd	Scheme comprises installation of telecommunication s equipment comprising 3 antennae designed as a replicate GRP celtic cross mounted on the southern elevation of the church and fixed to the plinth, having a maximum height of 21.05 metres above ground level, together with 2 equipment cabinets on the western side at ground level and associated works.

This database is taken from Glenigan's collection of planning records dating back to 2006 and relates to sites which have applied for planning permission involving mobile phone masts. The database is normally updated quarterly.

7.3 Pylons and Electricity Transmission Lines

Have any overhead transmission lines been identified within 500m of the study site ?

No

Database searched and no data found.

Guidance:None required.

8. Guide to Our Professional Assessment

Introduction

This report is designed for residential conveyancers and their clients and satisfies standard environmental due diligence enquiries, recommended by the Law Society. This information is not always covered by Standard Con 29 Enquiries made to Local Authorities.

Purpose of this Assessment

As part of this report GroundSure provide a professional assessment of the risks posed by key environmental information which could lead to the property being designated as 'Contaminated Land' as defined under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990. This assessment is based on the following data:

1. Historical land use (compiled from 1:10,000 & 1:10,560 maps)
2. Additional Information Historical land use (compiled from 1:1,250 & 1:2,500 maps) – for selected areas.
3. Landfill and waste transfer/treatment or disposal sites (including scrap yards)
4. Current industrial uses (as defined by PointX data)
5. Catalyst Petrol Station
6. Part A(1), Part A(2) and Part B Authorisations
7. Control of Major Accident Hazards Sites (COMAH) and Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances (NIHHS)
8. Dangerous Substances Inventory Releases (DSI)
9. Radioactive Substance Authorisations (RAS)
10. Discharge and Red List Discharge Consent
11. Sites Determined as Contaminated Land under Part 2A EPA 1990
12. Environment Agency Recorded Pollution Incidents
13. Historic Military / Ordnance Sites
14. Planning Hazardous Substance Consents

From this information GroundSure provide a statement regarding the likely designation of the property under Part 2A of EPA 1990 and the level of risk associated with the property is either Passed or In Need of Further Assessment. If the site is In Need of Further Assessment it does not necessarily mean that the site is unsuitable for purchase, but only that further assessment of the risk associated with the site is required. When a site is In Need of Further Assessment then the practitioner may, if required, discuss the case with one of the GroundSure consultants. Where a site is 'In Need of Further Assessment' GroundSure will, on request, attempt to arrange appropriate environmental insurance.

Method Statement

In assessing specific site risk, GroundSure follows principles used extensively throughout the environmental consultancy sector. Our system looks at the potential for specific industries to have generated residual contamination and for this contamination to remain at a site, or to have migrated to neighbouring sites. Sites are scored based on this system and if a site scores highly it indicates a high level of risk.

Limitations of the Study

This screening process reviews historical mapping and a range of current databases. The historical land use database reviewed for this study does NOT include 1:2,500 or 1:1,250 scale maps except for GroundSure's additional information database of selected features namely tanks, energy features, petrol filling stations and garages. This additional information database covers the majority of the UK, but not all. Where no assessment has been made "No Data Available" is presented in the report. Where 1:2500 or 1:1250 scale maps are utilised all relevant and available map epochs to GroundSure are used. Additionally, this review does NOT include specific enquiries to the Local Authority who may hold additional information and it does NOT include a site visit/inspection. Your attention is drawn to the Terms and Conditions of Groundsure Limited under which this service is provided.

Remediation

This report is covered by GroundSure's remediation contribution. For the purpose of this condition, 'Claimant' shall mean one of: (a) the Beneficiary, (b) the purchaser of the site from the Beneficiary or (c) the funder of (a) or (b) as applicable.

This condition shall apply solely to GroundSure Homebuyers and GroundSure Home Environmental with "Passed" rather than "In Need of Further Assessment".

GroundSure may, at its sole discretion without any admission of liability, make a contribution to the Claimant towards the costs of any clean up works required to be carried out under a notice served on a Claimant in respect of a site under Part II (A) Environmental Protection Act 1990 ("Remediation Notice") on the terms of this condition ("Clean up Award").

The Clean up Award: (a) is only available once in respect of a site and to one Claimant only; (b) shall only apply where the site is a single residential dwelling house or a single residential flat within a block of flats. For the avoidance of doubt, a Clean up Award will not be considered in respect of commercial property or to any site being developed or redeveloped whether for residential purposes or otherwise; and (c) shall only apply to contamination or a pollution occurring as at or prior to the date of GroundSure Homebuyers.

The Clean up Award will not be paid in respect of any of the following, including without limitation: (a) asbestos; (b) radioactive contamination arising directly or indirectly from or in connection with ionising radiations or contamination by radioactivity from any nuclear waste or fuel; from the combustion of nuclear fuel or the radioactive toxic explosive or other hazardous properties of any explosive nuclear assembly or nuclear component thereof; (c) naturally occurring materials or their removal except where such materials are present in excess of their natural concentration; (d) any condition caused by acts of war or an act of terrorism; (e) any condition which is known or ought reasonably to have been known to the Claimant prior to the purchase of GroundSure Homebuyers; (f) non-compliance by the Claimant or any other person with respect to the site with any statute, regulation, byelaws complaint, or notice from any regulatory authority; (g) any property belonging to or in the custody or control of the Claimant which does not form a fixed part of the site or the structure; (h) any losses incurred following a material change in use of, alteration or development of the site; or (i) financial loss in respect of loss of rental, profit, revenue, savings, business or any consequential, indirect or economic loss, damages or expenses, including the cost of temporary accommodation or business interruption.

In the event the Claimant wishes to apply for a Clean up Award, it shall notify GroundSure in writing within 3 months of the date of the Remediation Notice. The Claimant shall comply with all reasonable requirements of GroundSure with regard to the commission and conduct of the clean up works to be carried out under the Remediation Notice. In the event that the Claimant breaches this provision including, without limitation, failing to obtain GroundSure's prior written consent in respect of estimates for such works GroundSure shall not be required to pay a Clean up Award.

GroundSure shall only pay a Clean up Award where a Remediation Notice is served within 36 months of the date of GroundSure Homebuyers. The maximum sum of any Clean up Award shall be £60,000 and shall be paid subject to the Claimant having paid to GroundSure an excess in respect of its claim of £5,000. GroundSure reserves the right at any time to withdraw the offer of payment of a Clean up Award.

The Claimant shall take all reasonable steps to appeal such Remediation Notice and mitigate any costs incurred in connection with the remediation works required under the terms of any Remediation Notice. GroundSure reserves the right to withhold or reduce the amount of its Clean up Award in the event of a breach of this condition or an appeal is still active.

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"Third Party Content" means data, database information or other information which is provided to GroundSure by a Third Party Data Provider.

"User Guide" means the user guide, as amended from time to time, available upon request from GroundSure and on the website (www.GroundSure.com) and forming part of this Contract.

2 Scope of Services, terms and conditions, requests for insurance and quotations

2.1 GroundSure agrees to provide the Services in accordance with the Contract.

2.2 GroundSure shall exercise reasonable skill and care in the provision of the Services.

2.3 Subject to clause 7.3 the Client acknowledges that it has not relied on any statement or representation made by or on behalf of GroundSure which is not set out and expressly agreed in writing in the Contract and all such statements and representations are hereby excluded to the fullest extent permitted by law.

2.4 The Client acknowledges that terms and conditions appearing on a Client's order form, printed stationery or other communication, or any terms or conditions implied by custom, practice or course of dealing shall be of no effect, and that this Contract shall prevail over all others in relation to the Order.

2.5 If the Client or Beneficiary requests insurance in conjunction with or as a result of the Services, GroundSure shall use reasonable endeavours to recommend such insurance, but makes no warranty that such insurance shall be available from insurers or that it will be offered on reasonable terms. Any insurance purchased by the Client or Beneficiary shall be subject solely to the terms of the policy issued by insurers and GroundSure will have no liability therefor. In addition you acknowledge and agree that GroundSure does not act as an agent or broker for any insurance providers. The Client should take (and ensure that the Beneficiary takes) independent advice to ensure that the insurance policy requested or offered is suitable for its requirements.

2.6 GroundSure's quotations or proposals are valid for a period of 30 days only unless an alternative period of time is explicitly stipulated by GroundSure. GroundSure reserves the right to withdraw any quotation or proposal at any time before an Order is accepted by GroundSure. GroundSure's acceptance of an Order

shall be binding only when made in writing and signed by GroundSure's authorised representative or when accepted through the Order Website.

3 The Client's obligations

3.1 The Client shall comply with the terms of this Contract and

(i) procure that the Beneficiary or any third party relying on the Services complies with and acts as if it is bound by the Contract and

(ii) be liable to GroundSure for the acts and omissions of the Beneficiary or any third party relying on the Services as if such acts and omissions were those of the Client.

3.2 The Client shall be solely responsible for ensuring that the Services are appropriate and suitable for its and/or the Beneficiary's needs.

3.3 The Client shall supply to GroundSure as soon as practicable and without charge all requisite information (and the Client warrants that such information is accurate, complete and appropriate), including without limitation any environmental information relating to the Site and shall give such assistance as GroundSure shall reasonably require in the provision of the Services including, without limitation, access to the Site, facilities and equipment.

3.4 Where the Client's approval or decision is required to enable GroundSure to carry out work in order to provide the Services, such approval or decision shall be given or procured in reasonable time and so as not to delay or disrupt the performance of the Services.

3.5 Save as expressly permitted by this Contract the Client shall not, and shall procure that the Beneficiary shall not, re-sell, alter, add to, or amend the GroundSure Materials, or use the GroundSure Materials in a manner for which they were not intended. The Client may make the GroundSure Materials available to a third party who is considering acquiring some or all of, or providing funding in relation to, the Site, but such third party cannot rely on the same unless expressly permitted under clause 4.

3.6 The Client is responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of its user name and password if using the Order Website and the Client acknowledges that GroundSure accepts no liability of any kind for any loss or damage suffered by the Client as a consequence of using the Order Website.

4 Reliance

4.1 The Client acknowledges that the Services provided by GroundSure consist of the presentation and analysis of Third Party Content and other content and that information obtained from a Third Party Data Provider cannot be guaranteed or warranted by GroundSure to be reliable.

4.2 In respect of Data Reports, Mapping and Risk Screening Reports, the following classes of person and no other are entitled to rely on their contents;

- (i) the Beneficiary,
- (ii) the Beneficiary's professional advisers, (iii) any person providing funding to the Beneficiary in relation to the Site (whether directly or as part of a lending syndicate),
- (iv) the first purchaser or first tenant of the Site, and
- (v) the professional advisers and lenders of the first purchaser or tenant of the Site.

4.3 In respect of Support Services, only the Client, Beneficiary and parties expressly named in a Report and no other parties are entitled to rely on its contents.

4.4 Save as set out in clauses 4.2 and 4.3 and unless otherwise expressly agreed in writing, no other person or entity of any kind is entitled to rely on any Services or Report issued or provided by GroundSure. Any party considering such Reports and Services does so at their own risk.

5 Fees and Disbursements

5.1 GroundSure shall charge and the Client shall pay fees at the rate and frequency specified in the written proposal, Order Website or Order acknowledgement form, plus (in the case of Support Services) all proper disbursements incurred by GroundSure. The Client shall in addition pay all value added tax or other tax payable on such fees and disbursements in relation to the provision of the Services (together "Fees").

5.2 The Client shall pay all outstanding Fees to GroundSure in full without deduction, counterclaim or set off within 30 days of the date of GroundSure's invoice or such other period as may be agreed in writing between GroundSure and the Client ("Payment Date"). Interest on late payments will accrue on a daily basis from the Payment Date until the date of payment (whether before or after judgment) at the rate of 8% per annum.

5.3 The Client shall be deemed to have agreed the amount of any invoice unless an objection is made in writing within 28 days of the date of the invoice. As soon as reasonably practicable after being notified of an objection, without prejudice to clause 5.2 a member of GroundSure's management team will contact the Client and the parties shall then use all reasonable endeavours to resolve the dispute within 15 days.

6 Intellectual Property and Confidentiality

6.1 Subject to

- (i) full payment of all relevant Fees and
- (ii) compliance with this Contract, the Client is granted (and is permitted to sub-licence to the Beneficiary) a royalty-free, worldwide, non-assignable and (save to the extent set out in this Contract) non-transferable licence to make use of the GroundSure Materials.

6.2 All Intellectual Property in the GroundSure Materials are and shall remain owned by GroundSure or GroundSure's licensors (including without limitation the Third Party Data Providers) the Client acknowledges, and shall procure acknowledgement by the Beneficiary of, such ownership. Nothing in this Contract purports to transfer or assign any rights to the Client or the Beneficiary in respect of such Intellectual Property.

6.3 Third Party Data Providers may enforce any breach of clauses 6.1 and 6.2 against the Client or Beneficiary.

6.4 The Client shall, and shall procure that any recipients of the GroundSure Materials shall:

- (i) not remove, suppress or modify any trade mark, copyright or other proprietary marking belonging to GroundSure or any third party from the Services;
 - (ii) use the information obtained as part of the Services in respect of the subject Site only, and shall not store or reuse any information obtained as part of the Services provided in respect of adjacent or nearby sites;
 - (iii) not create any product or report which is derived directly or indirectly from the Services (save that those acting in a professional capacity to the Beneficiary may provide advice based upon the Services);
 - (iv) not combine the Services with or incorporate such Services into any other information data or service;
 - (v) not reformat or otherwise change (whether by modification, addition or enhancement), the Services (save that those acting for the Beneficiary in a professional capacity shall not be in breach of this clause 6.4(v) where such reformatting is in the normal course of providing advice based upon the Services);
 - (vi) where a Report and/or Mapping contains material belonging to Ordnance Survey, acknowledge and agree that such content is protected by Crown Copyright and shall not use such content for any purpose outside of receiving the Services; and
 - (vii) not copy in whole or in part by any means any map prints or run-on copies containing content belonging to Ordnance Survey (other than that contained within Ordnance Survey's OS Street Map) without first being in possession of a valid Paper Map Copying Licence from Ordnance Survey,
- 6.5 Notwithstanding clause 6.4, the Client may make reasonable use of the GroundSure Materials in order to advise the Beneficiary in a professional capacity. However, GroundSure shall have no liability in respect of any advice, opinion or report given or provided to Beneficiaries by the Client.

6.6 The Client shall procure that any person to whom the Services are made available shall notify GroundSure of any request or requirement to disclose, publish or disseminate any information contained in the Services in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 or any associated legislation or regulations in force from time to time.

7. Liability: Particular Attention Should Be Paid To This Clause

7.1 This Clause 7 sets out the entire liability of GroundSure, including any liability for the acts or omissions of its employees, agents, consultants, subcontractors and Third Party Content, in respect of:

- (i) any breach of contract, including any deliberate breach of the Contract by GroundSure or its employees, agents or subcontractors;
- (ii) any use made of the Reports, Services, Materials or any part of them; and
- (iii) any representation, statement or tortious act or omission (including negligence) arising under or in connection with the Contract.

7.2 All warranties, conditions and other terms implied by statute or common law are, to the fullest extent permitted by law, excluded from the Contract.

7.3 Nothing in the Contract limits or excludes the liability of the Supplier for death or personal injury resulting from negligence, or for any damage or liability incurred by the Client or Beneficiary as a result of fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation.

7.4 GroundSure shall not be liable for

- (i) loss of profits;
- (ii) loss of business;
- (iii) depletion of goodwill and/or similar losses;
- (iv) loss of anticipated savings;
- (v) loss of goods;
- (vi) loss of contract;
- (vii) loss of use;
- (viii) loss or corruption of data or information;
- (ix) business interruption;
- (x) any kind of special, indirect, consequential or pure economic loss, costs, damages, charges or expenses;
- (xi) loss or damage that arise as a result of the use of all or part of the GroundSure Materials in breach of the Contract;
- (xii) loss or damage arising as a result of any error, omission or inaccuracy in any part of the GroundSure Materials where such error, omission or inaccuracy is caused by any Third Party Content or any reasonable interpretation of Third Party Content;
- (xiii) loss or damage to a computer, software, modem, telephone or other property; and
- (xiv) loss or damage caused by a delay or loss of use of GroundSure's internet ordering service.

7.5 GroundSure's total liability in relation to or under the Contract shall be limited to £10 million for any claim or claims.

7.6 GroundSure shall procure that the Beneficiary shall be bound by limitations and exclusions of liability in favour of GroundSure which accord with those detailed in clauses 7.4 and 7.5 (subject to clause 7.3) in respect of all claims which the Beneficiary may bring against GroundSure in relation to the Services or other matters arising pursuant to the Contract.

8 GroundSure's right to suspend or terminate

8.1 If GroundSure reasonably believes that the Client or Beneficiary has not provided the information or assistance required to enable the proper provision of the Services, GroundSure shall be entitled to suspend all further performance of the Services until such time as any such deficiency has been made good.

8.2 GroundSure shall be entitled to terminate the Contract immediately on written notice in the event that:

- (i) the Client fails to pay any sum due to GroundSure within 30

days of the Payment Date; or

- (ii) the Client (being an individual) has a bankruptcy order made against him or (being a company) shall enter into liquidation whether compulsory or voluntary or have an administration order made against it or if a receiver shall be appointed over the whole or any part of its property assets or undertaking or if the Client is struck off the Register of Companies or dissolved; or
- (iii) the Client being a company is unable to pay its debts within the meaning of Section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or being an individual appears unable to pay his debts within the meaning of Section 268 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or if the Client shall enter into a composition or arrangement with the Client's creditors or shall suffer distress or execution to be levied on his goods; or
- (iv) the Client or the Beneficiary breaches any term of the Contract (including, but not limited to, the obligations in clause 4) which is incapable of remedy or if remediable, is not remedied within five days of notice of the breach.

9. Client's Right to Terminate and Suspend

9.1 Subject to clause 10.1, the Client may at any time upon written notice terminate or suspend the provision of all or any of the Services.

9.2 In any event, where the Client is a consumer (and not a business) he/she hereby expressly acknowledges and agrees that:

- (i) the supply of Services under this Contract (and therefore the performance of this Contract) commences immediately upon GroundSure's acceptance of the Order; and
- (ii) the Reports and/or Mapping provided under this Contract are
 - (a) supplied to the Client's specification(s) and in any event
 - (b) by their nature cannot be returned.

10 Consequences of Withdrawal, Termination or Suspension

10.1 Upon termination of the Contract:

- (i) GroundSure shall take steps to bring to an end the Services in an orderly manner, vacate any Site with all reasonable speed and shall deliver to the Client and/or Beneficiary any property of the Client and/or Beneficiary in GroundSure's possession or control; and
- (ii) the Client shall pay to GroundSure all and any Fees payable in respect of the performance of the Services up to the date of termination or suspension. In respect of any Support Services provided, the Client shall also pay GroundSure any additional costs incurred in relation to the termination or suspension of the Contract.

11 Anti-Bribery

11.1 The Client warrants that it shall:

- (i) comply with all applicable laws, statutes and regulations relating to anti-bribery and anti-corruption including but not limited to the Bribery Act 2010;
- (ii) comply with such of GroundSure's anti-bribery and anti-corruption policies as are notified to the Client from time to time; and
- (iii) promptly report to GroundSure any request or demand for any undue financial or other advantage of any kind received by or on behalf of the Client in connection with the performance of this Contract.

11.2 Breach of this Clause 11 shall be deemed a material breach of this Contract.

12 General

12.1 The Mapping contained in the Services is protected by Crown copyright and must not be used for any purpose other than as part of the Services or as specifically provided in the Contract.

12.2 The Client shall be permitted to make one copy only of each Report or Mapping Order. Thereafter the Client shall be entitled to make unlimited copies of the Report or Mapping Order only in accordance with an Ordnance Survey paper map copy license available through GroundSure.

12.3 GroundSure reserves the right to amend or vary this Contract. No amendment or variation to this Contract shall be valid unless signed by an authorised representative of GroundSure.

12.4 No failure on the part of GroundSure to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, power or provision under this Contract shall operate as a waiver thereof.

12.5 Save as expressly provided in this Contract, no person other than the persons set out therein shall have any right under the Contract (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any terms of the Contract.

12.6 The Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills ("BIS") or BIS' successor body, as the case may be, acting through Ordnance Survey may enforce a breach of clause 6.4(vi) and clause 6.4(vii) of these terms and conditions against the Client in accordance with the provisions of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

12.7 GroundSure shall not be liable to the Client if the provision of the Services is delayed or prevented by one or more of the following circumstances:

- (i) the Client or Beneficiary's failure to provide facilities, access or information;
- (ii) fire, storm, flood, tempest or epidemic;
- (iii) Acts of God or the public enemy;
- (iv) riot, civil commotion or war;
- (v) strikes, labour disputes or industrial action;
- (vi) acts or regulations of any governmental or other agency;
- (vii) suspension or delay of services at public registries by Third Party Data Providers;
- (viii) changes in law; or
- (ix) any other reason beyond GroundSure's reasonable control.

In the event that GroundSure is prevented from performing the Services (or any part thereof) in accordance with this clause 12.6 for a period of not less than 30 days then GroundSure shall be entitled to terminate this Contract immediately on written notice to the Client.

12.8 Any notice provided shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be properly

given if delivered by hand or sent by first class post, facsimile or by email to the address, facsimile number or email address of the relevant party as may have been notified by each party to the other for such purpose or in the absence of such notification the last known address.

12.9 Such notice shall be deemed to have been received on the day of delivery if delivered by hand, facsimile or email (save to the extent such day is not a working day where it shall be deemed to have been delivered on the next working day) and on the second working day after the day of posting if sent by first class post.

12.10 The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and shall supersede all previous arrangements between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof.

12.11 Each of the provisions of the Contract is severable and distinct from the others and if one or more provisions is or should become invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be tainted or impaired.

12.12 This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law and any proceedings arising out of or connected with this Contract shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

12.13 GroundSure is an executive member of the Council of Property Search Organisation (CoPSO) and has signed up to the Search Code administered by the Property Codes Compliance Board (PCCB). All Risk Screening Reports shall be supplied in accordance with the provisions of the Search Code.

12.14 If the Client or Beneficiary has a complaint about the Services, written notice should be given to the Compliance Officer at GroundSure who will respond in a timely manner.

12.15 The Client agrees that it shall, and shall procure that each Beneficiary shall, treat in confidence all Confidential Information and shall not, and shall procure that each Beneficiary shall not (i) disclose any Confidential Information to any third party other than in accordance with the terms of this Contract; and (ii) use Confidential Information for a purpose other than the exercise of its rights and obligations under this Contract. Subject to clause 6.6, nothing shall prevent the Client or any Beneficiary from disclosing Confidential Information to the extent required by law