

Dear Applicant

Contamination is a material planning consideration. If the proposed end-use of the application site is for a sensitive use, such as residential (including nursing home), school, nursery/crèche, hospital, play area, allotment or for a mixed use including a sensitive use such as that above, further information should be submitted at the time of the application with respect to the past use of the site and its surroundings. This is required in order to determine the existence of and possible risks from any potential contamination. It is the developer's responsibility to ensure a safe development (Section 2.44 (Planning Policy Statement 23 Annex 2 "Development of Land Affected by Contamination").

Further general information relating to contaminated land can be found in the "Contaminated Land Planning Advice Notes Leaflet", which is available on our website www.breckland.gov.uk.

This information will be used to assess whether a more formal desk study/site investigation of land contamination is necessary. Breckland Council is mindful of the potential cost implications of such an investigation, and has prepared this questionnaire in order to assist in making an informed decision regarding the application.

Please try to complete the questionnaire as accurately as possible and submit with your planning application as part of the supporting information. However if you have any questions or queries regarding this please do not hesitate to contact our Environmental Protection Team on 01362 656870.

Yours faithfully

Environmental Protection Team

Pre Determination Questionnaire and initial risk assessment in relation to land contamination for sites with sensitive end use.

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| Application No.: (If known) | |
| Site Location: | |
| Completed by (Print name): | |
| Completed by (Signed): | |
| Completed on: | |

Please provide the following details in relation to the application site **and its surroundings, including** any areas of filled land such as landfills (<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/maps/info/landfill/>) and former quarries ([via historic maps](#)) within 250m metres of the site from which there is the potential for ground gas migration.

Please state the source of information and for personal information the timescale(s) over which knowledge of the site applies.

The information should also include **your interpretation** whether or not you think that there is the potential for any possible sources of contamination to jeopardise the proposed future use of the site.

1. Description of site

A plan showing the detailed layout of the site, any areas of hard landscaping and the areas of residential garden planned for the development.

2. Historic land use

The results of a complete review of historical maps (some information available via <http://www.historic-maps.norfolk.gov.uk/Emap/EmapExplorer.asp>, full copies available via environmental search companies or as hard copies at the Forum in Norwich) in relation to past land use, including you own comments about previous land use of the application site and any information from persons of longstanding association with the site/anecdotal evidence. Any potential sources of contamination should be marked on the plan of the site.

3. Fuel storage on the property.

This includes diesel, petrol, heating oil and also waste oil. Please give details of the storage facilities, and provide a photograph of each.

4. Waste Storage

Please detail areas where waste disposal or storage has occurred. This may include piles of material such as empty drums or spare machinery parts awaiting future disposal, areas of filled pits / ponds. Please give details of the contents of each area.

5. Services

This includes water, gas, electric and any fuel lines, including whether they are above or below ground, locations of any substations (if relevant) and provide a photograph of each if appropriate. Please also include any soakaways or interceptors.

6. Please give a brief description of any existing building on the site.

The general construction (e.g. brick with a pantile roof, asbestos-cement roof) and its past and current use.

7. Landfill/Filled quarry search

Please give details of any areas of filled ground in the vicinity of the above site (up to 250m) including the distance relative to the application site. (some information available via <http://www.historic-maps.norfolk.gov.uk/Emap/EmapExplorer.asp>, full copies available via environmental search companies or as hard copies at the Forum in Norwich).

8. Any Other Relevant Information

