DISCOVERY STRATEGY - GROUNDWORK PHASE
CONTAMINATED GROUND

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This Discovery Strategy is a requirement of planning consent and must be complied with fully.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The site is to be redeveloped through the construction of an extension to the existing college building to include flexible shared spaces, teaching rooms and office accommodation. A Discovery Strategy is to be implemented during the construction phase of the programme. Its purpose is to define the process to be undertaken on site in the event that previously unidentified pockets of contamination or suspicious objects are discovered during the redevelopment of the site. It is intended to be understood and followed by all on-site workers and for all new site workers to be made aware of the procedure.

2.0 HOW TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL CONTAMINATED MATERIAL

- Looks oily and has an oily odour
- Solvent, organic type of odour
- Man made materials in fill such as paint cans, car parts, glass fragments
- Contains fragments of white asbestos sheeting, lagging or insulation, coal/coke clinker
- Subsurface concrete / metal structures including buried tanks
- (Examples only – this list is not exhaustive. If in any doubt ask)

3.0 PROCEDURE

On the discovery of any suspicious pockets of material during the redevelopment the following procedure should be followed:

- Stop Work
- Site personnel to immediately inform the Site Manager. Do not investigate it yourself.
- The Site Manager will initially decide if the material is potentially contaminated and will inform GEA. The area will be cordoned off and work will cease in the vicinity.
- GEA will attend site to sample material for laboratory testing and will attempt to quantify the volume. The Local Authority Environmental Health Officer will then be notified that potentially contaminated material has been discovered and will be forwarded laboratory data and a remedial strategy for their approval in the event that the material is to be classified as contaminated.
- Work may only recommence once written approval has been received from the Local planning Authority

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