

PRELIMINARY GROUND INVESTIGATION REPORT

UPON

RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PLOT 1

HIGHSTOCK LANE

GEDNEY HILL PE12 0QG

PROJECT No: 16721

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Mr K.Watts

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1. INTRODUCTION

Acting upon instruction from Mr K. Watts, we visited site on 9th March 2021 with a view to determining the basic characteristics of the soils strata.

Hand Auger boreholes and in-situ testing took place, and our comments are based upon a visual Inspection only of the disturbed samples obtained.

We would suggest the groundwater conditions may vary seasonally and that water levels as recorded at the time of exploration should not necessarily be taken as being constant as they may be subject to fluctuations.

The opinions and comments expressed in this report are based upon ground conditions encountered in the borehole sunk at the time of our visit.

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2. LOCATION AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE

2.1 Site location

Situated on the South side of Highstock Lane, Gedney Hill appropriate National Grid reference TF340110. A site location plan is contained in APPENDIX A.

2.2 Site History description

Desktop study of historical maps has been undertaken and found that the site was historically an agricultural plot and all maps show a drain running along the East side of the plot.

An extract of the 1888 Ordnance survey is contained within APPENDIX B.

2.3 Site description

The site currently stands as an apparently un occupied paddock. The investigation is limited to the area intended for the residential development as shown on the location plan contained within APPENDIX A.

The North of the site is bordered by the highway, Highstock Lane.

The Southern Boundary is to adjacent agricultural land.

The East of the site is bounded by a field access track and West of the plot is bordered by an adjacent building plot.

No significant trees or vegetation was present on site at the time of investigation.

At the time of our visit the weather was dry and clear, however some precipitation was experienced in the days running up.

2.4 Geological description

Desktop study of the area has been undertaken using the British Geological Society Maps.

The maps indicate the site to be underlain by superficial tidal flat deposits of sands and silts over the Oxford clay formation (Mudstone).

An existing borehole record to the West of the site indicates Tidal deposits of firm silty clay immediately below the surface underlain by softer clays at depth. This information is based upon publicly available records from the British Geological Society.

3. SITE WORK

Two 100mm diameter Hand Auger boreholes took place in the location shown on the location plan contained within APPENDIX A.

A visual inspection of the disturbed samples took place, and in-situ Mackintosh probe tests were performed. A description of the strata and test results are shown on sheets No.d 16721/BH01, BH02. The exploration logs are contained in APPENDIX C.

The soil demonstrated no identifying odours or markers for known contamination and with the historical investigation indicating solely agricultural use, no samples were submitted for laboratory chemical analysis testing.

An infiltration rate test was undertaken in accordance with procedures described in BRE digest 365.

A photographic record is contained within APPENDIX D.

4.0 GROUND CONDITIONS

The sequence of the strata encountered during the investigation generally confirms the anticipated geology as interpreted from experience and the geological maps.

The strata encountered in all explorations were very similar, and typical of that to be found in the fenland area.

Once the dry topsoil material was penetrated the strata became a mid-dense slightly silty sand which extended to depths of 3m until a wet grey sandy silt was encountered.

An infiltration test was undertaken to the rear of the plot, the water drained well through the granular strata. The test results and calculation are contained within APPENDIX E, the calculated infiltration rate is 1.07×10^{-5} m/s.

5.0 CONCLUSIONS & RECCOMENDATIONS

The nature of the ground conditions on site are suitable for traditional shallow spread foundations, however due care and attention should be taken to ensure that the less dense wet material underlying is not overstressed.

It is understood that the proposed property is to take the form of a domestic bungalow.

The infiltration test drained well, and the site is well suited to the use of soakaway surface water drainage and a drainage field outfall from a treatment plant for foul water. The calculated infiltration rate is contained with the results in APPENDIX E.

The ground conditions encountered at 0.75m BGL are suitable for shallow strip footings a maximum of 1.0m width exerting a maximum bearing pressure of 70kN/m². Under these conditions we would anticipate that settlements should be within a generally acceptable range.

For and on behalf of **SIDEBOTTOM RICHARDSON CHENG LTD**

J. Lawrence

15th March 2021

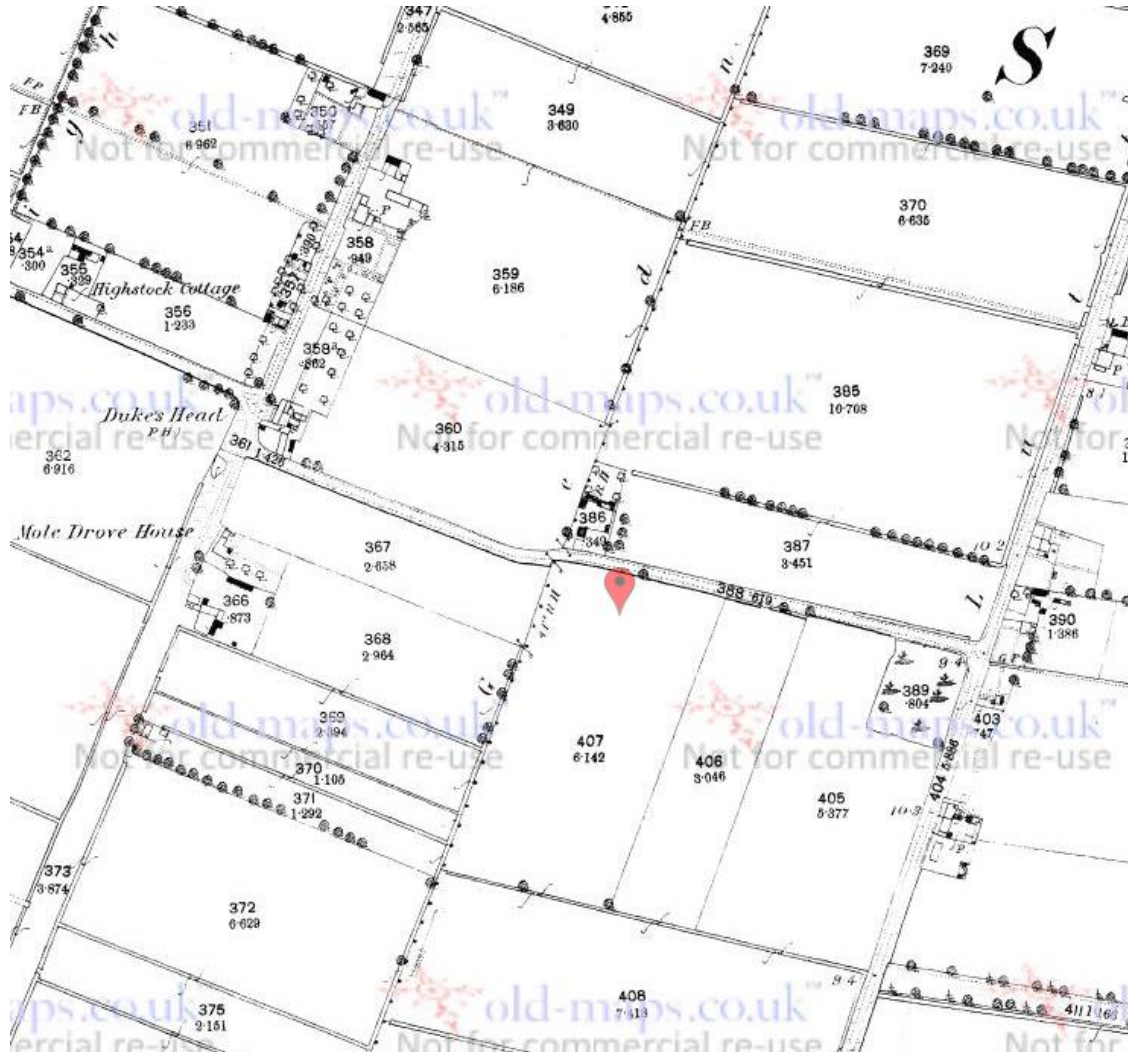
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APPENDIX A

Location Plan



APPENDIX B



1888 Ordnance survey county series map

APPENDIX C

Borehole Logs

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		Status FOR INFORMATION						Date Mar.21	
Location Ground Investigation Report At, Plot 1, Highstock Lane, Gedney Hill		Carried Out For K.Watts		Scale NTS		Design -		Checked JL	
				File Name 16721-BH01		Date Undertaken 09-03-21			
						Logged By JL			
Equipment & Methods				Site Coordinates: TF 340 110				Borehole No.	
Hand Auger Mackintosh Probe				Ground Level:				1	
Description	Reduced Level	Legend	Depth (Thick)	Samples			Test Required	M.P.T. Blow Count (Depth)	
				Depth	Sample Reference	Sample Type No.			
Topsoil.			650mm (650mm)					0.9m Below G.L. 195 Blows For 300mm Movement	
Dry Fine Orangey Brown Sandy Silt.			2400mm (1750mm)						
Fine Orangey Brown Sandy Silt.			2900mm (500mm)						
Light Grey Silty Sand.			3100mm (200mm)						
Remarks Standing Water @ 2.6m Below GL After 1.5 Hours.									

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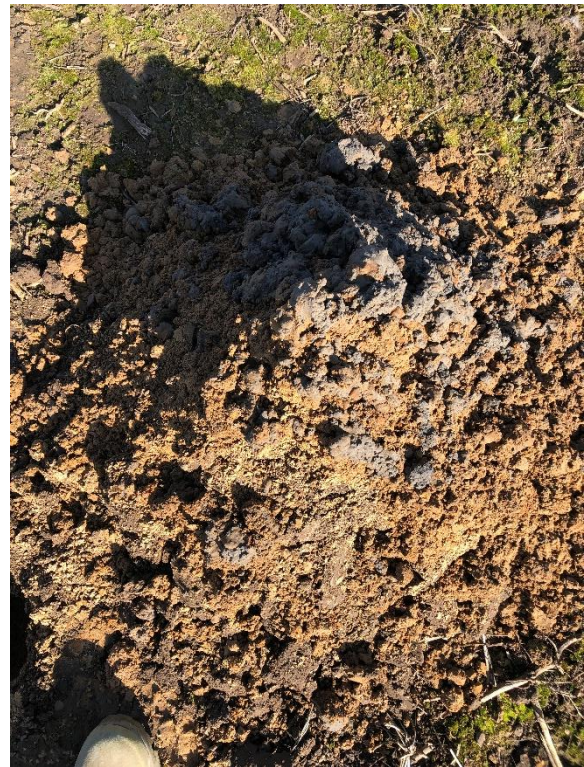
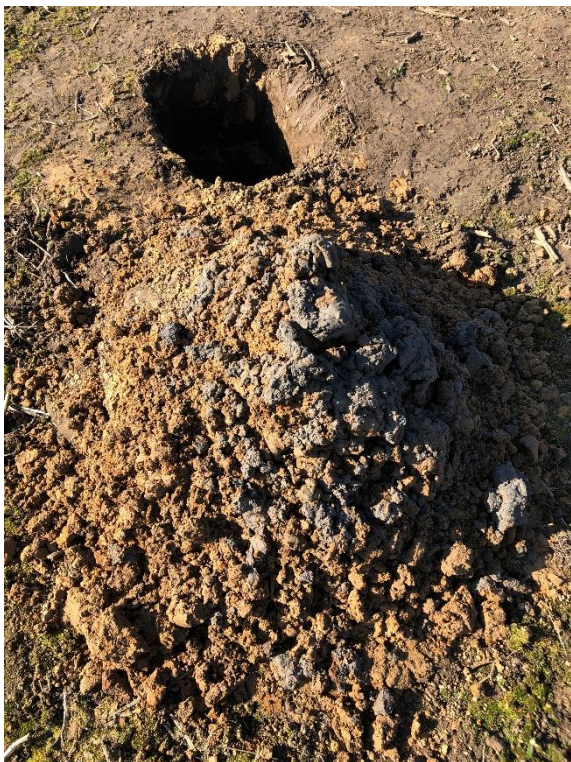
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				Logged By JL				
Equipment & Methods Hand Auger Mackintosh Probe				Site Coordinates: TF 340 110		Borehole No. 2		
Ground Level:								
Description	Reduced Level	Legend	Depth (Thick)	Samples			Test Required	M.P.T. Blow Count (Depth)
				Depth	Sample Reference	Sample Type No.		
Topsoil.			650mm (650mm)					
Dry Fine Orangey Brown Sandy Silt.			2400mm (1750mm)					
Moist Orangey Brown Sandy Silt Becoming Wetter With Depth.			3100mm (700mm)					
Light Grey Silty Sand.			3400mm (300mm)					
Remarks Standing Water @ 2.7m Below GL After 1 Hour.								

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APPENDIX D

Photographic Record



APPENDIX E

Infiltration Test Results



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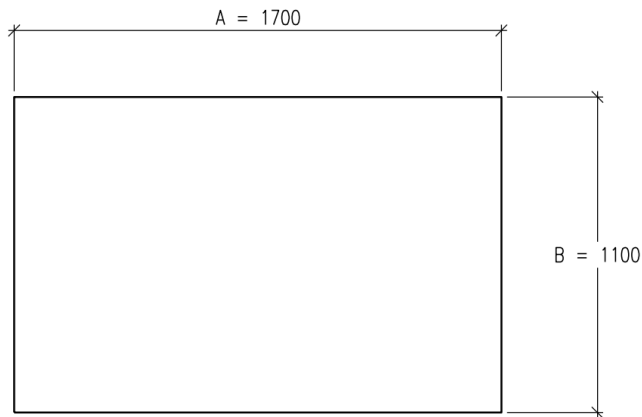
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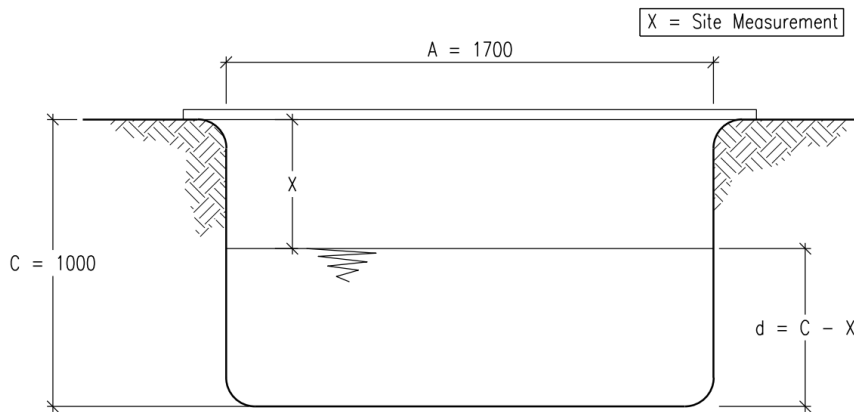
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Proposed Dwelling At Plot 1,
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Title
Infiltration Soak Away Sketch



Plan On SA01



Section Through SA01

Soak-Away Test SA 01

Job Reference Proposed Dwelling At Plot 1
Highstock Lane, Gedney Hill

SA01	
TIME (Mins)	DEPTH mm (d)
0	480
15	440
30	410
45	390
60	370
90	340
120	310
150	300
210	250
270	215
330	150

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Trial Dimensions

A = 1.7 m
B = 1.1 m
C = 1 m

C.S.Area of
SA01 = 1.87 m²

Total Volume = 0.617 m³
75% Volume = 0.463 m³
25%Volume = 0.154 m³

Time Taken From 75% Volume to 25% Volume

172 Mins

Effective Depth From 75% Volume to 25% Volume

0.165 m

50% Effective Internal Surface Area Including Base area

2.794 m²

Soil Infiltration rate, f

1.07009E-05 m/s

1.07 x 10⁻² mm/s

Proposed Dwelling, Plot 1, Highstock Lane, Gedney Hill, Spalding, Lincs.
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Plot showing water level against time for SA01

