



APPENDIX 10 - Limitations

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This contract was completed by Groundtech Consulting on the basis of a defined programme and scope of works and terms and conditions agreed with the client. This report was compiled with due skill and care, taking into consideration the project brief provided, project objectives, agreed scope of works, prevailing site conditions and budget allocation.

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The report was written in 2024, later changes in legislation, statutory requirements and industry best practices have not been considered and this should be allowed for. Ground conditions can also change and should be investigated if there is any significant delay in acting on the findings of this report. The period of time may result in changes in site conditions, regulatory or other legal provisions, technology or economic conditions which could render the report inaccurate or unreliable. The information and conclusions in this report should not be relied upon in the future without the written confirmation from Groundtech Consulting that it is safe to do so.

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Groundtech Consulting are not liable for the existence of any condition, the discovery of which would require additional investigation outside the agreed scope of works or core competency. The services provided are based upon Groundtech Consulting observations of existing physical conditions at the site gained from site reconnaissance together with interpretation of information including documentation, obtained from third parties and from the client on the history and usage of the site. The findings and recommendations contained in this report are based in part upon information provided by third parties, and Groundtech Consulting assume the information to be correct.

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Where field investigations have been carried out these have been restricted to a level of detail required to achieve the stated objectives of the work. Ground conditions can also be variable due to its heterogeneous properties and as investigation exploratory locations only allow examination of the ground at discrete locations. The potential exists for ground conditions to be encountered which are different to those considered in this report, particularly between exploratory holes. The extent of the limited area depends on the soil and groundwater conditions, together with other constraints such as the position of any existing structures and underground utilities. Geo-Environmental testing was carried out for a limited number of parameters [as stipulated in the contract] based on an understanding of the available operational and historical information, and it should not be inferred that other chemical species are not present.

The groundwater conditions entered on the exploratory hole records are those observed at the time of investigation. The groundwater level often has not had time to reach equilibrium and a monitoring period is required. Furthermore, groundwater levels are subject to seasonal variation or changes in local drainage conditions and higher groundwater levels may occur at other times of the year than were recorded during this investigation.

Any site drawings provided in this report are not meant to be an accurate base plan, but are preliminary and used to present the general relative locations of features on, and surrounding, the site.

