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Kelly Joyce
Gravesham Borough Council
Sent via email

Our ref: KT/2025/132275/01-L01
Your ref: 20250030

Date: 04 February 2025

Dear Kelly Joyce

Application for approval of condition 3, 4, 5 and 9 attached to planning permission reference number 20240234 relating to a strategy to deal with the potential risks associated with any contamination of the site, a construction management plan, an asbestos risk assessment under the control of asbestos regulations 2012 shall be undertaken and submitted, piling or any other foundation designs using penetrative methods.

Britannia Refined Metals Ltd, Lower Road, Northfleet, Gravesend, Kent, DA11 9BG

Thank you for consulting us on the above application which we received on 21 January 2025. As part of this application we have reviewed the Phase One Geotechnical and Geo-Environmental Desk Study produced by SLR Consulting Ltd (ref: 402.064683.00001, dated 11th August 2023).

Environment Agency Position

We have reviewed the provided documentation produced by SLR Consultants and consider the proposed piling strategy acceptable in principle, given the data provided. However, **we would need to review the Phase II report prior to the approval of conditions 3 and 9.**

We would consider the Phase One Geotechnical and Geo-Environmental Desk Study produced by SLR Consulting Ltd (Ref: 402.064683.00001, dated 11th August 2023) to **satisfy part 1 of condition 3 only.**

Groundwater and Contaminated Land Further Comments

We understand that intrusive investigation is recommended to further identify potential risks associated with the proposed development. We welcome the recommendation for further assessment.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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Planning Advisor

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