

60943 Bankhead Medway, Edinburgh - Environmental Review

Does the Council consider the site to be suitable for its continued use?

Based on records available, the site is considered suitable for continued commercial use.

Has the site been identified for inspection or further review under the Council's Contaminated Land Strategy (or other Part 2A undertaking)? If so, please describe the priority status/risk ranking of the site and the likely timescale for any further scrutiny of the site.

The site is currently not identified for inspection or further review by the Council's Part IIA inspection strategy.

Are there any known contamination issues associated with the site or in the near vicinity e.g. in terms of former or current contaminative site uses, leaks or spills of any oil/chemical substances etc.? If there have been any intrusive investigations at the site or near vicinity, please provide dates and titles of any reports and confirm whether the reports are publicly available.

Site use history overview – potential for sources of contamination

The site is first noted as an unspecified 'works' building around 1959, amongst similar surrounding structures during the early development of Sighthill Industrial Estate with reference to the O.S historical maps, and remains of similar description until after 1970 - 1997 when the building may have been expanded. Recent planning applications and O.S map indicate similar commercial type land use since 1999, for example a workshop/showroom, industrial storage & distribution, bakery & hot food takeaway, furniture showroom with most recent change of use to education facility with studios.

Surrounding near vicinity site use history overview – potential sources of contamination:

With reference to historical maps, surrounding former land uses with potential for contamination include two Precast Concrete Works 100m to the north and 100m south-east prior to 1947. The concrete works (SE) converted to a suture works 100m (SE) from around 1950. A 'bedding factory' was located 20m to south and cheese warehouse within 50m to south-west by 1959. From 1959-1970 the site is generally surrounded by various works, warehouses, factories and storage units associated with continued development of Sighthill Industrial Estate. By 1970, the factory 20m to the south and surrounding warehouses are expanded in size and a large electronic works was noted present 80m to south-west. From the 1970s to 1997 and beyond, land use in the near vicinity is generally characterised by commercial, industrial, storage & distribution land uses and infrastructure.

No further records of leaks or spills of chemical substances or fuels exist.

Intrusive Site Investigations

Records of intrusive site investigations undertaken within the site or adjacent sites have not been identified.

Please provide the following details of any current or former landfills located within a 250m radius of the site:

The location of all landfills, both closed and operational (i.e. National Grid Reference and location plan if available).

Dates when the landfill was operational.

Types of waste deposited.

Any information on volume of waste deposited, depth of infilling and landfill structure.

Details of any landfill gas monitoring, site investigation or gas spiking undertaken at the landfill or in the immediate vicinity of the site.

[There are no records of landfills within 250m from site boundaries.](#)

Have elevated indoor radon gas concentrations been identified within buildings on or within 100m of the site? Have radon protection measures been required in buildings on site or within 100m? If so, please provide details.

[Elevated radon levels have not been recorded in any buildings on site or within 100m. The site is recorded by our Radon map data base \(UK Radon Map version 3\) to be in an area of lower radon potential that does not require radon protection measures in new development.](#)

Are there any known current or former nuisance issues, prosecutions or enforcements associated with the site or adjoining properties, e.g. noise, odour or dust issues/complaints? If yes, what was the nature of the issue and what was the outcome?

[There are no known current or former nuisance issues of the types specified associated with these site/adjoining properties.](#)

Are there any known private water supplies recorded on your Local Authority Private Water Supply Register, within 2km radius of the site? If yes what is the location (i.e. NGR), the source of abstraction and its purpose?

[There are no records of private water supplies within 2 km of site boundaries.](#)

Please provide details of any Part A(2) or Part B Environmental Permits (formerly LAAPC/LAPPC authorisations) licensed to the site or to adjoining properties.

[No records of environmental permits of the types specified exist. However, you may wish to contact SEPA who regulate environmental authorisations and may hold further records.](#)