

**Waste Core Strategy
Site Options Consultation**

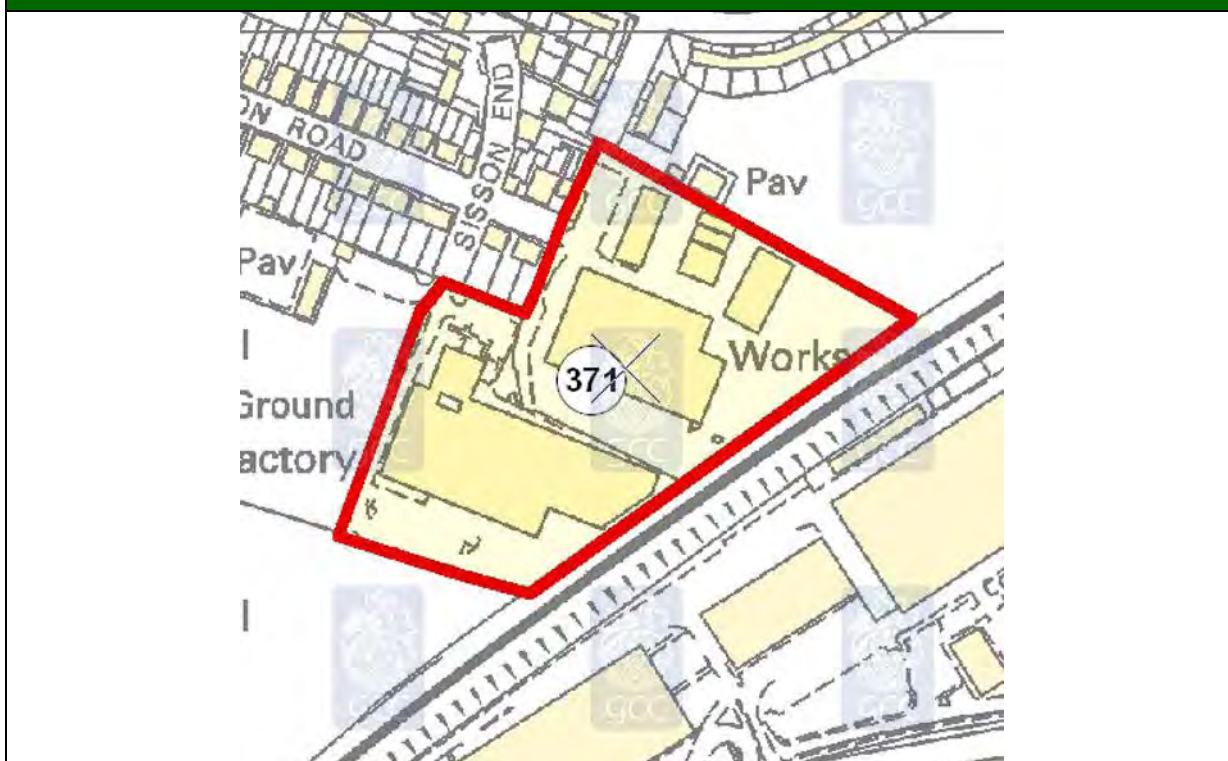
Waste Site Assessment

**Appendix C.42: Site 371 - Olbas & Helipebs, Sisson Road,
Gloucester**

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Site Maps and Images

Site Map



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Locational Information

Site Details

District	Gloucester		
Parish	Gloucester Non-Parish		
Easting	385652	Northings	218833
Approximate Site Area (hectares)	3		
Reasons for inclusion <i>NB: Slight anomalies in site boundaries may have arisen from 'clustering' of sites from more than one source and/or the absence of detailed site plans in source documents.</i>	The site was listed in Gloucester City Council's Employment Land Review.		
Date of WPA officer visit	18th September 2008		
Broad Description of Site (including current activities on site, location and neighbouring uses)	<p>Site at end of residential road (Sisson Road). Backing onto railway and with school playing fields on two sides. Old established red brick buildings (Helipecs and G.R. Lane Health Products).</p> <p>Additional Sensitive Receptors: Two schools, playground, sportsground, two playing fields, ten-pin bowling facility.</p>		

Site Assessment Factors/Criteria for Consideration



Landscape

Comments	The site is located on land that has been developed and is not within or adjacent to a national landscape designation such as AONB.
Landscape Character	Gloucester Urban.

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Green Belt			
Comments	The site is outside of the Gloucester/Cheltenham Green Belt.		
Highways (Based on information provided by Gloucestershire County Council's Highways Development Co-ordination team)			
Routes to access Strategic Network <i>This denotes the assumed roads that would be used in order for vehicles to travel to and from the proposed site and the wider road network.</i>	minor, B4063/A38		
Proximity to Strategic Highway Network <i>Assessment of the proximity of the site to different types of road (as specific entrance points are not known have made assumptions about where entrance might be), with reference to the GCC Advisory Freight Route Map (notwithstanding obvious changes arising from new roads etc).</i>	Low	Definition	Access via other roads (not involving trips through AONB).
Sustainable Transport <i>Potential for operational access to the site to be by (or involve) non-road modes of transport, based on broad consideration of distance from water/rail and general location, rather than knowledge that it may or may not be technically practical.</i>	High	Definition	Site has potential for rail and/or water based transport to play a significant role (site will generally back directly on to water/rail).
Employee Accessibility <i>Potential for employees to be able to access the site using non-car modes.</i>	Medium	Definition	Site has some residential areas within close proximity, and/or is reasonably close to a fairly frequent bus route (route of 2-hrly or more frequent, as marked in red on GCC PT map).
Other Transport Issues <i>This column comments on any other relevant transport issues for the site, which will have partly arisen from discussions with area/stakeholder managers.</i>	Not desirable for use as nearby traffic calming.		
Recommendation <i>This category provides an overall view of the potential of the site to be used as a strategic waste facility in transport terms.</i>	Not Take Forward	Definition	Consider that site has no potential in transport terms and recommend it is not considered further. In general terms the Not Take Forward category will comprise those sites with a Low or Poor answer for Strategic Highway Access and a Low score for Sustainable Transport, although the overall view for each site will also depend on other relevant local factors.

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Public Rights of Way (Based on information provided by Gloucestershire County Council's Public Rights of Way (PRoW) team)	
Score	+
Score Definition	No Public Rights of Way network present on site; or Presence of Public Rights of Way network with opportunity for existing route to be enhanced.
Additional Comments	No Path.
Map Legend	 Public Right of Way
PRoW Map	

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Aerodrome Safeguarding (based on safeguarding maps provided by Gloucestershire Airport and the Ministry of Defence (MOD))	
Comments	The site lies within the Gloucestershire Airport zone for - All buildings, structures, erections and works exceeding 15 metres in height (49.2 feet) plus all applications involving major tree planting schemes, mineral extraction or quarrying, a refuse tip, a reservoir, a sewage disposal works, a nature reserve or a bird sanctuary and all applications connected with an aviation use.
NB. Where a site lies across more than one safeguarding zone the entire site has been defaulted to lowest height category for consultation.	

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Ecology/Biodiversity (Based on information provided by Gloucestershire County Council's Ecologist and the Gloucestershire Centre for Environmental Records (GCER))	
Score	+
Score Definition	Overall impact on biodiversity could be potentially uncertain or positive. Identified important ecological constraint greater than 250 metres and up to and including 1km distant.
Additional Comments	Scores with * indicate designated aquifer fed/surface water/flood water dependent site(s) over 1km distant which may be affected, site as named above.
Nearby Internationally & Nationally Designated Sites Recorded	None
Other Internationally & Nationally Designated Sites (wetlands)	None
Ecology Legend	<div> <div>SSSI Site of Special Scientific Interest</div> <div>Key Wildlife Site - area</div> <div>SAC Site</div> <div>Ramsar Site</div> <div>SPA Site</div> </div>
Constraints Map	

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Geodiversity (Based on information provided by the Gloucestershire Geology Trust at the Geological Records Centre)	
Comments	There were no recorded geological features on the site or within 250m of its boundary.

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Archaeology and the Historic Environment

(Based on information provided by Gloucestershire County Council's Archaeology team)

Score	0
Score Definition	The site contains no known historical or archaeologically significant remains, but * Provides a setting for significant remains * Has the potential to contain significant remains, which are known in the vicinity
Additional Comments	Roman field system known from geophysical survey (SMR 21083) is adjacent to the site and may extend into it beneath later development.

Contaminated Land

(Based on information provided by the appropriate district council)

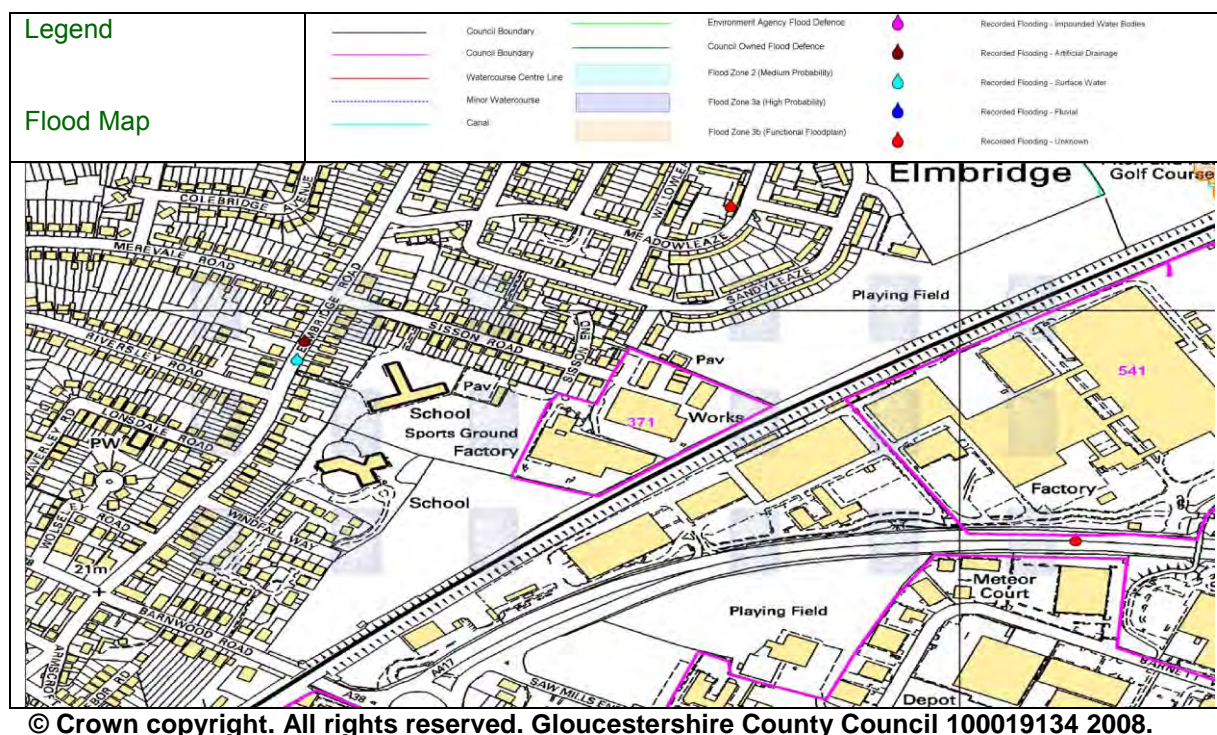
Comment	The site or adjoining land is not classified as 'contaminated land' under the Environment Act 1995, but Gloucester City Council identified the site or adjoining area as a site of potential concern. Gloucester City Council also provided the following information in relation to the site "Various current and former industrial uses. Adjacent to known site with solvent contamination issues. No previous SI, (other than on solvent site). Development benefit unknown."
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Flood Risk

(Based on information provided by Halcrow)

Site Description	Site lies fully in Flood Zone 1. No major or minor watercourses are located within or adjacent to the site. A railway line forms the southern boundary of the site.
Watercourse(s)	n/a
Flood Zone	1
Flood Zone Information (Method used to derive Flood Zones & Confidence in Flood Zone information)	n/a
Fluvial Flood Risk Posed to Site (including climate change)	Fluvial flood risk is low
Historic Flooding/Flooding From Other Sources	No records of historical flooding and flooding from other sources have not been recorded within the site
Canals (Raised - breach/overlapping)	No canals exist in or adjacent to the site.
Flood Defences (Location/Type/SoP/Residual Risk)	No defences are known to exist in the site.
Culverts (Location/Type/Watercourse/Residual Risk)	No culverts are known to exist in the site.
Score	++
Score Definition	Site is fully in Flood Zone 1.
Additional Comments	None.

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Source Protection Zones (SPZs)

Comments

N/A

Groundwater/Aquifer details

Comments

Site 371 is mostly lying over a Minor Aquifer High (HU).

Land Ownership and General Deliverability Issues (Based on research undertaken in-house)

At this stage the deliverability of the site is unknown.

General Comments

Officer Comments: There are likely to be significant deliverability issues associated with this site. It is a relatively small site that has been occupied long-term by two businesses. There are also nearby sensitive receptors which would need consideration.

Safeguarding: Gloucestershire Airport may need to provide comments on safeguarding in relation to this site. This may be difficult for them to do so without knowing a specific technology for the site.

Contaminated Land: Further investigative work may be required.

Archaeology: Further consultation would be required in order to assess any potential impacts upon the above mentioned areas.

Groundwater/Aquifer: Information would be required from the Environment Agency as to the potential impacts upon the above mentioned areas.

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Potential for Further Discussion within the WCS

Gloucestershire County Council's Highways Development Coordination officers recommended that the site is not considered any further within the WCS, therefore it is felt that this site should not be taken forward into the WCS.