

Site monitoring report

Please find detailed below the report for the site monitoring undertaken. If you should have any queries or require any photographs taken on, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Site Name: Land adjacent to M11, Great Chesterford, Saffron Walden

File Ref: 11 421 16

Operator: Seearo

Site Representatives/Attendees: Steven Pesci (Seearo), Peter Walker (Cheffins) Mark Stephen (agricultural consultant), Tom Sycamore (ECC), Claire Tomalin (ECC)

Visit no: 1 of 1

Date: Thursday 22nd April 2021

Time on site: 10:00

Time off site: 11:00

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Site Co-ordinator: Tom Sycamore Tel No: 03330 321 896

Permission no's:

ESS/46/11/UTT – Continuation of use with importation of inert material to restore the land without compliance with condition 4 (completion date) attached to planning permission ESS/16/10/UTT to allow an extended time period for infilling of the site from 31st August 2011 to 31st August 2013 and restoration of the site from 30th September 2011 to 30th September 2013 in order to allow restoration of the site to be completed.

Constraints:

- Weather: **Dry/ Windy / Rain / Snow**
- Noise: **Acceptable/ Not acceptable / N/A**
- Approach roads: **Dry / Dusty / Wet / Muddy / Flooded**
- Ground: **Dry / Dusty / Wet / Damp / Muddy / Flooded**
- Access: **Obstructed (padlocked gate) / Not Obstructed / Mud on Road**
- Wheel cleaning: **Washer / Spinner / Sweeper / N/A**

- Hose: In use / Not in Use / **N/A**
- Machinery: Working / **Not working**
- In correct position: Yes / No / **N/A**
- Stockpiles: Height = **N/A**
- Bunds: Profiled / Grassed / Some weeds / **NA**

Actions from last site visit:

- With excessive rain through Autumn and Winter of 2019/20 in combination with the Covid-19 pandemic, no aftercare meeting was held in April 2020 and planting was not completed.
- Grass cover remains in place across the site.

Inspection Results Summary:

- Site was grassed and ground was relatively dry.
- Rabbit fencing was examined and no signs of damage were seen.
- Soil dig carried out – soil was dry and not very compact, with some stones present.
- Site was walked. Evidence of heavy cultivator through western part of site, although halted due to wet conditions.
- Plan of action discussed, as laid out in Aftercare Report prepared by Peter Walker (Cheffins) dated April 2021. Once site has been sprayed, cultivated and stone picked, an autumn crop can be drilled. Such crops discussed were cereal crops i.e. wheat or barley. Plan deemed appropriate and achievable.
- Following this, another visit in Spring 2022 will be carried out where it is anticipated that the aftercare scheme can be signed off subject to the success of the above plan.

Permission under 2017 EIA regulations?:

- Yes / **No**

Actions to be taken before next site visit:

- Spray off land to destroy grass and cultivate.
- Stone pick site – recommended anything over 100mm.
- Drill autumn arable crop.

Note: The actions noted in this report are required in order to ensure adequate progress is made and to avoid potential enforcement action against a breach of planning control.