

Bury Metropolitan Borough Council
Town Hall
Knowsley Street
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BL9 0SW

Our ref: SO/2020/120520/03-L01
Your ref: 65909
Date: 28 October 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

**FURTHER DETAILS SUBMITTED 16-10-2020 - PRIOR APPROVAL OF
PROPOSED DEMOLITION OF FORMER MILL BUILDINGS BRITANNIA SOAP
WORKS, KENYON STREET, RAMSBOTTOM, BURY, BL0 0AB**

Thank you for referring (emails dated 16th, 19th and 28 October 2020) revised demolition documents. We would wish to make the following comments.

Environment Agency position

Flood Risk

The demolition method statement FDL004 Rev 04 and Drawing No. 10408/20/PP01 now acknowledge the presence of the flood defences and the need to retain defence levels. The minimum level retained must not be lower than the wall defence at the end of Cunliffe Street as noted in activity 5 of the method statement. The demolition work must be carried out in accordance with the details in the method statement and supporting drawings.

Advice to applicant

This development may require a permit under the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 from the Environment Agency for any proposed works or structures, in, under, over or within 8m of the bank of the River Irwell which, is designated a 'main river'. Some activities are also now [excluded](#) or [exempt](#). A permit is separate to and in addition to any planning permission granted. Further details and guidance are available on the GOV.UK website: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-activities-environmental-permits>.

Biodiversity

We would recommend the environmental risks of polluting aquatic ecological receptor and fishery are fully recognised and incorporated in risk assessment (Section 2), including measures outlined in Activities 5 & 6, such as using hand tools here, and checking for debris that has fallen into river.

Please forward a copy of this letter to the applicant.

Yours faithfully

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