

Bury Metropolitan Borough Council
Town Hall Knowsley Street
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Lancashire
BL9 0SW

Our ref: SO/2023/123180/01-L01
Your ref: 69580
Date: 17 May 2023

Dear Helen Leach,

NEW FLEXIBLE EVENTS HALL AND CANOPY STRUCTURE TO COVER EXISTING OUTDOOR MARKET WITH ASSOCIATED SERVICING, PARKING AND LANDSCAPING. TEMPORARY PERMISSION SOUGHT FOR AREA OF MARKET CAR PARK TO BE UTILISED FOR SITE CABINS FOR THE DURATION OF THE BUILD.

BURY MARKET MANAGEMENT OFFICES AND RECEPTION, MURRAY ROAD, BURY, BL9 0BJ.

Thank you for consulting us on the above application, on 11th May 2023.

Environment Agency position

We have no objection in principle to the proposed development but take this opportunity to provide the following comments.

Environment Agency Commentary

This development site appears to have been the subject of past industrial activity which poses a risk of pollution to controlled waters.

However, we are unable to provide site-specific advice relating to land contamination as we have recently revised our priorities so that we can focus on:

- Protecting and improving the groundwater that supports existing drinking water supplies
- Groundwater within important aquifers for future supply of drinking water or other environmental use

We recommend that you refer to our published '[Guiding Principles for Land Contamination](#)' which outlines the approach which should be adopted when managing this site's risks to the water environment.

We also advise that you consult with your Environmental Health/Environmental Protection Department for advice on generic aspects of land contamination management. Where planning controls are considered necessary, we recommend that the environmental protection of controlled waters is considered alongside any human health protection requirements. This approach is supported by paragraph 174 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

Advice to applicant

Trade effluent

Effluent discharged from any premises carrying on a trade or industry and effluent generated by a commercial enterprise where the effluent is different to that which would arise from domestic activities in a normal home is described as trade effluent.

If you are not able to discharge effluent it will be classed as waste and you must then comply with your duty of care responsibilities.

If proposing to discharge to non-mains:

If you wish to discharge effluent after appropriately treating it to groundwater or surface water please contact the Environment Agency (Tel: 03708 506 506) as a permit under the Environmental Permitting Regulations will be required.

If proposing to discharge to mains:

A trade effluent consent or a trade effluent agreement with your water and sewerage company must be obtained before you discharge trade effluent to a public foul sewer or a private sewer that connects to a public foul sewer.

Further guidance is available at: [Pollution prevention for businesses](#)

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Should you have any queries regarding this response, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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