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Land Quality – The Essential Update 2010

21st October, Lakeside Centre, Conference Aston

PROGRAMME

09.30 Registration and Refreshments

Session 1: Policy and Guidance

09.55 Chair's introduction

Ann Barker, Lead Officer Contaminated Land, City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council
Chair of Land Quality Committee, Environmental Protection UK

10.00 The planning regime – current developments and what they mean to you

Mark Plummer, Team Leader - Minerals, Waste and Pollution Control, Communities and Local Government

10.30 What does the change in government mean to land quality management?

Andrew Wiseman, Head of Environmental Law, Stephenson Harwood

10.55 Part 2A Statutory Guidance review – an update

Tom Coles, Head of Contaminated Land, Defra

11.20 Questions & Discussion

11.40 Refreshments

Session 2: In Context

11.55 Skills, competencies and accreditation – where are we now?

Professor Paul Nathanail, Professor of Engineering Geology, University of Nottingham &
Managing Director, Land Quality Management Ltd

12.20 Make land quality count – interface with other drivers - climate change, biodiversity & food security

Professor Keith Goulding, President, British Society of Soil Science and Director, Rothamsted Research Centre for Soils and Ecosystem Function

12.45 Soil Framework Directive – an update from Europe

Luca Marmo, Head of the Soil Sector, European Commission

13.10 Questions & Discussion

13.30 Lunch

Session 3: Parallel Sessions – choose from option 1 or 2

Option 1 – Assessing Asbestos

14.30 Asbestos - unpicking the legal, technical and practical aspects of this commonly encountered contaminant.

Karen Thornton, Specialist Environmental Engineer, NHBC (National House-Building Council)
Alastair Robertson / Alan Jones, IOM (Institute of Occupational Medicine)
Garry Burdett, HSL (Health and Safety Laboratory)
James Clay, Partner, Campbell Reith

With guidance from the Environment Agency delayed, this session will provide an overview of the regulations and the practical problems associated with asbestos, providing the opportunity for you to learn from industry experts how best to proceed with this notoriously complex contaminant. A case study of remediation of asbestos in soils at a former shipyard will be used to illustrate how the regulatory and practical challenges can be overcome.

16.40 Questions & Discussion

Option 2 – Cost Effective Tendering, Procurement and Site Investigation

14.30 Make the money count – with budgets stretched beyond recognition, getting the biggest bang for your buck has never been more imperative.

Liz Hart, Technical Officer (Groundwater and Contaminated Land), Environment Agency
Mary Harris, MRH Consultants Ltd
Yolande Macklin, Environmental Public Health Scientist, Health Protection Agency
Hazel Davidson, Technical Marketing Manager, ALcontrol Laboratories

Convoluting tendering processes, unwise procurement and bad site investigation design can result in spiralling costs and unacceptable reports. This dedicated workshop will enable you to understand how much things should cost, what you really need in your site investigation and how to reach a decision – ensuring your limited funds go further than ever before.

16.40 Questions & Discussion

16.55 Chair's summing up

17:00 Close

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