North of England Industrial to Residential Masterplan Development Environmental Planning

Project Description

Our client, a FTSE250 landlord, owns a large distribution site in the north of England, and is considering options for future land use, including potential redevelopment to a residential end use.

ITP Energised was commissioned to provide a range of environmental planning advice and support, to help the client determine potential constraints, risks and opportunities for site development, and to help shape the emerging masterplan to ensure a consentable and environmentally positive development.

Project Details

- 2017 (ongoing)
- 49 hectare site

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Our Role

We undertook the following initial studies:

- a Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA) including a Phase 1 Habitat Survey
- dedicated Great Crested Newt surveys of on-site ponds
- preliminary bat roost assessment of buildings and trees on site
- review of previous geo-environmental reports to identify potential contamination and geotechnical risks, including a desk-based mining risk assessment
- landscape appraisal and development of a landscape framework for the site
- tree survey (carried out by Patrick Stileman Ltd).

We also supported the client with procurement of a topographical survey to inform the tree survey, and flooding and drainage studies being undertaken by JBA.

Following completion of the above, we provided support on scoping of intrusive geo-environmental investigations, and helped to identify and appoint a suitable ground investigation consultant. We have continued to work with the GI consultant, Geovia, through the site works stage of the investigations, including interpretation and explanation of results.

Our advice will help the client to ensure a masterplan for the site is developed to take account of environmental constraints and opportunities, minimising planning risk and the potential for elevated abnormal development costs.

Client

FTSE250 Landlord

Planning Consultant

McGough Planning Consultants Ltd

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