Land Quality Inspections Programme – 2017 Inspections

So far in 2017 we have completed inspections at three sites in County Durham which has been used historically for industrial activity such as gas works, colliery and cokeworks and landfills.

The inspection process

The inspections are completed in two phases:

- Phase One a visual survey of the area using historical maps which detail former industrial activity. This is completed in order to identify the most relevant areas where further testing may be needed.
- Phase Two soil samples and where necessary, water samples are gathered to analyse the condition of the land. Air monitoring may also be undertaken.

You can find out more about the inspection process as well as the results of the inspections we carried out in 2017 by clicking on the relevant area below:

Shildon Lodge Colliery
Former Gas Works, Dipton
Lintz Colliery and Coke Works

If you would like to know more about the inspection in these areas, please contact the pollution control team on 03000 261 152 or via email at landqualitysurvey@durham.gov.uk

You can also find out information on current inspections taking place by visiting www.durham.gov.uk/landquality

Shildon Lodge Colliery

A land quality inspection was carried out at Shildon Lodge Colliery site between September 2016 and March 2017.

Shildon Site Boundary Shildon Scout Close Hou Shildon

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.

Why did we inspect this area?

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In the past, this area has been the site of a former colliery. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from these industrial activities.

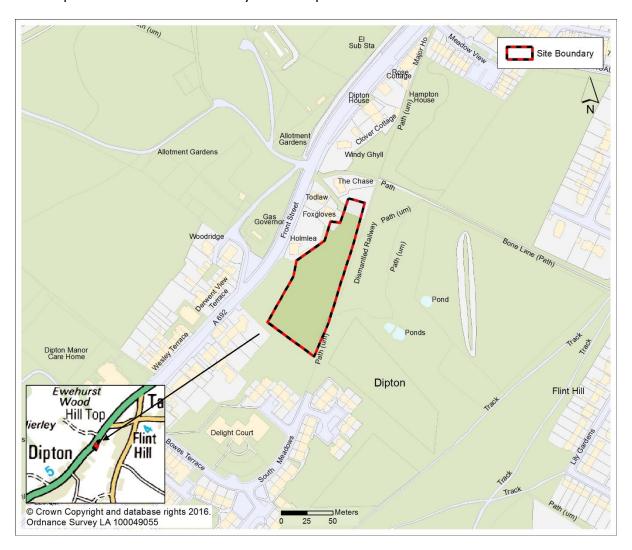
Results

The inspection report was received and reviewed in March 2017. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required. The outcome has been reported back to the landowner where sampling was carried out.

Former Gas Works, Dipton

A land quality inspection was carried out at the Former Gas Works at Dipton site between October 2016 and May 2017.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former gas works. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from these industrial activities.

Results

The inspection reports were received and reviewed in June 2017. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required. The outcome has been reported back to the landowner where sampling was carried out.

Lintz Colliery and Coke Works

A land quality inspection was carried out at Lintz Colliery and Coke Works site between October 2016 and May 2017.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former colliery and coke works. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from these industrial activities.

Results

The inspection reports were received and reviewed in June 2017. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required. The outcome has been reported back to the residents/landowners where sampling was carried out.