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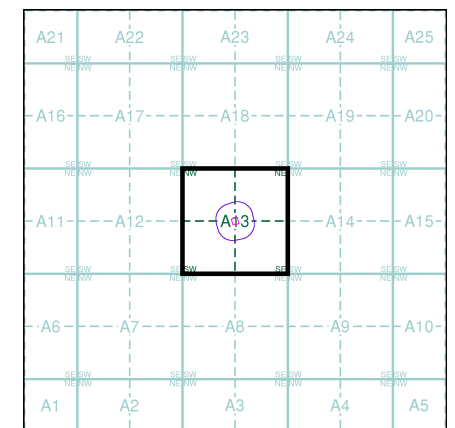
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Order Details

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Customer Ref: 995 - Shell Hitchin
National Grid Reference: 517920, 229840
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Search Buffer (m): 100

Site Details

Shell, Bedford Road, Hitchin, SG5 2TY

APPENDIX C

Local Authority Correspondence (Private Groundwater Abstractions)

Information Access Team



Miss Neha Milan
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Postal Point: CHO320
www.hertfordshire.gov.uk

Tel: 0300 123 4040

Email: information.governance@hertfordshire.gov.uk

Our reference: 4389643

Date: 20 September 2024

Dear Miss Milan

Freedom of Information Act 2000

On 17th September 2024 Hertfordshire County Council received the following request for information from you:

I would like to request any information held by Hertfordshire County Council relating to water abstractions (groundwater or surface water) within 1km of the following sites:

Site Name : Shell Hitchin

Grid Reference: E 517927 , N 229843

Address: Shell Hitchin, Bedford Road, SG5 2TY, HITCHIN, GB

We understand that the Environment Agency maintain records for licensed water abstractions (typically over 20m³ per day) but for smaller water abstractions, licenses are not required by the EA, but the Local Authority are responsible for maintaining a register of such private water supplies (e.g., farmhouse boreholes, private wells, springs etc.).

Please include all details held for any abstractions, including but not limited to:

- 1) Type of abstraction (groundwater/surface water):**
- 2) Water Abstraction rates (volumetric):**
- 3) Surface water body / groundwater unit abstracted from:**
- 4) Logs from abstraction boreholes:**
- 5) Location of abstraction point (e.g., grid reference):**
- 6) Use of abstracted water:**
- 7) Any other abstraction details:**
- 8) Details of any water quality data held for these abstractions:**

Your request for information has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I can confirm that Hertfordshire County Council does not hold the information you have requested. As, this matter is the responsibility of the Environmental Health Teams of the district and borough councils of Hertfordshire, their contact details can be found at [District and borough councils | Hertfordshire County Council](#)

County of opportunity

Please quote the reference number 4389643 in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way the County Council has handled your request for information you may request an internal review of the request. This will be carried out by a member of the County Council Legal Services Team, who has had no prior involvement with the request. Requests for an internal review should be sent to the Information Governance Unit at the address above (within 2 months of this correspondence) and should detail in writing your grounds of appeal.

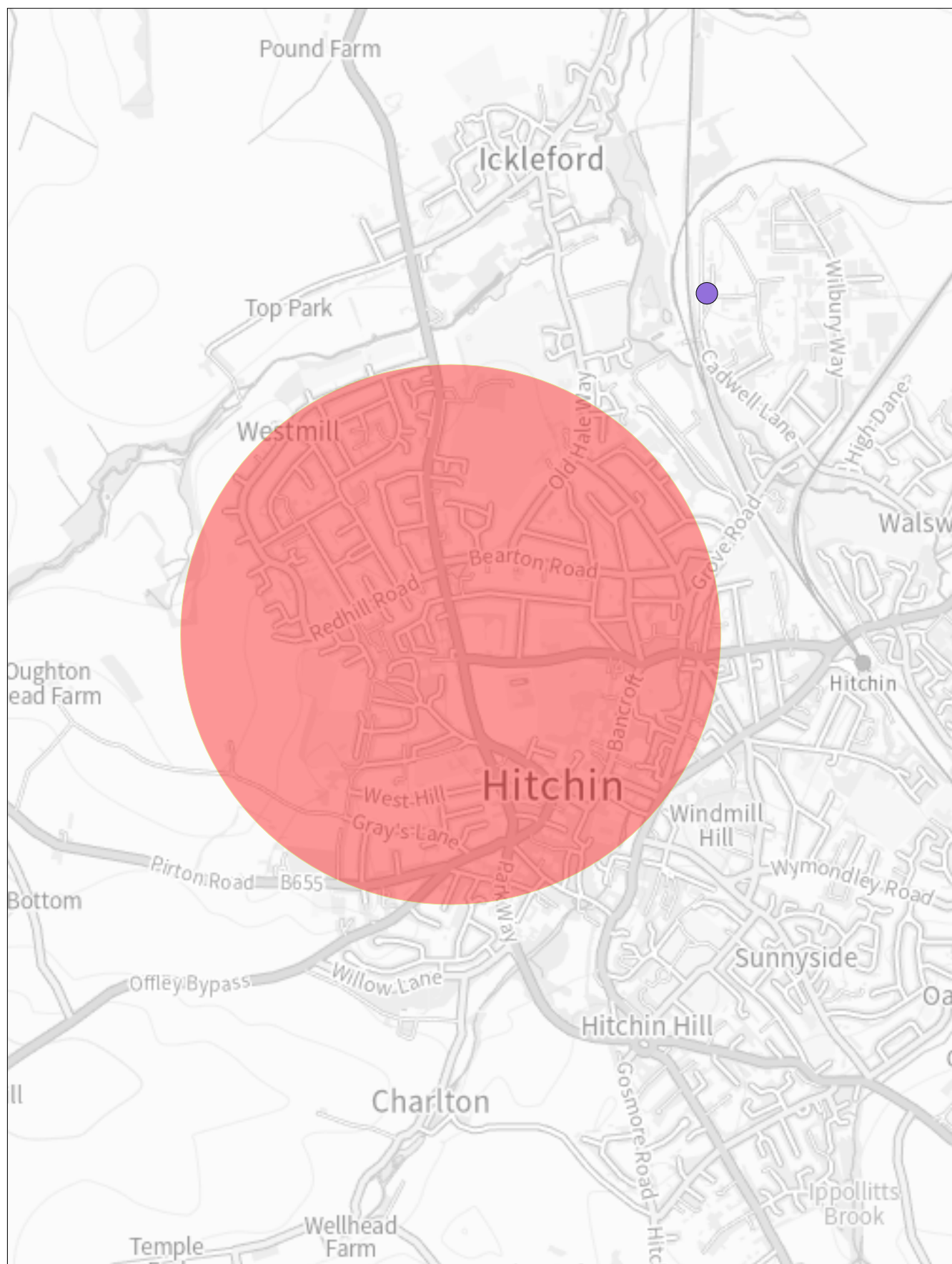
If you are still dissatisfied with the Council's response after the internal review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF.
Telephone: 0330 123 1113
Website: www.ico.org.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely

Michael Warby
Information Access Manager
Hertfordshire County Council





www.north-herts.gov.uk

Neha Milan

neha.milan@arcadis.com

Our Ref: FOI074124

Contact: Amber Loft

Direct Dial No: 01462 474000

E-mail: FOI2@north-herts.gov.uk

Date: 16th December 2024.

Dear Neha Milan

Information request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004

Thank you for your request for information received on 6th December 2024.

Your request has now been processed and the information that we hold is attached at the bottom of this letter.

Your request has been handled under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. Any information that is refused will clearly indicate the exemption that applies to the refusal.

Further information explaining the Council's process for responding to information requests is available in our reception or on our website. If you have any queries regarding the process or your request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If after receiving our full response, you feel dissatisfied with the information provided, or you disagree with a refusal decision, you have the right to ask for a review of the decision with the Council. We will accept review requests up to 60 days after our response. After that date we consider the case closed.

Review requests should be addressed to the Information & Asset Team Manager at North Herts Council, Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth, Herts, SG6 3JF or emailed to FOI2@north-herts.gov.uk

It is important that you include the above FOI reference number on all correspondence related to this request.

If following a review you are still dissatisfied with the Council's response, you can contact the Information Commissioner's Office for guidance or to make an appeal at:-

The Information Commissioner
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire. SK9 5AF
Telephone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely



Amber Loft
Information Officer

FOI074124 – 16/12/2024

Private Water Abstraction Information

Request:

I would like to request any information held by Hertfordshire County Council relating to water abstractions (groundwater or surface water) within 1km of the following sites:

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Grid Reference: E 517927 , N 229843

Address: Shell Hitchin, Bedford Road, SG5 2TY, HITCHIN, GB

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Please let me know if you need any further details.

Response:

Please find attached their search for this one.

APPENDIX D

Zetica UXO Pre-Desk Study Assessment

PA020291 — SHELL HITCHIN

DOCUMENT DETAILS

Site name:	Shell Hitchin		
Reference:	PA020291	Client:	Arcadis
Date:	25 th September 2024	Contact:	Neha Milan

RECOMMENDATION

While always prudent, a detailed desk study is not considered essential in this instance.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Military Activity	No significant military activity affecting the Site has been identified.
WWI Bombing	Potential targets within approximately 5km of the Site: ▪ Transport infrastructure and public utilities. ▪ Munitions factories and engineering works. No readily available records have been found indicating that the Site was bombed.
WWII Bombing	The Site was located in Hitchin Urban District (UD), which officially recorded 28No. High Explosive (HE) bombs, with a density of 7.2 bombs per 405 hectares (ha). Potential targets within approximately 5km of the Site: ▪ Transport infrastructure and public utilities. ▪ Engineering works. ▪ Anti-invasion defences. No readily available records have been found indicating that the Site was bombed.
Bombing Decoys	None identified within 5km of the Site.

FURTHER INFORMATION

These findings are based on a cursory review of readily available records; caution is advised if you plan to action work based on this PDSA.

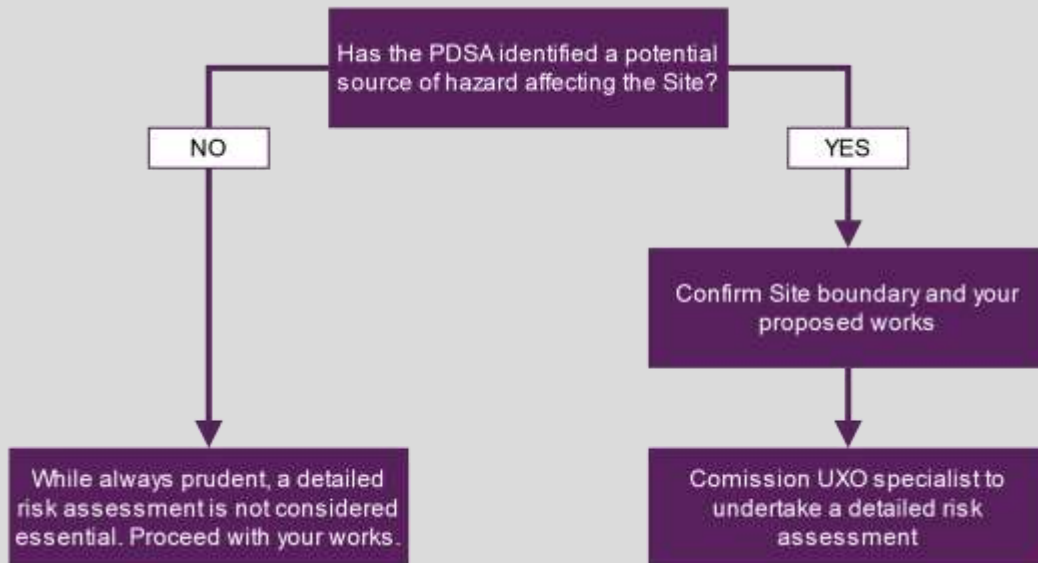
Where a potentially significant UXO hazard source has been identified on the Site, no further research has been undertaken. A detailed UXO desk study and risk assessment may identify other potential UXO hazard sources on the Site.

Visit www.zeticauxo.com to learn more about Zetica's detailed UXO desk studies and other UXO services. Click [here](#) for more information about the most common UXO hazard sources in the UK.

If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us at uxo@zetica.com or 01993 886 682.

NEXT STEPS

Follow the steps below to determine the appropriate course of action:



Potential UXO hazard identified? If the PDSA has identified a potential source of UXO hazard affecting your site, then a detailed UXO risk assessment is recommended.

No obvious source of UXO hazard? If the PDSA has not identified any obvious source of potential UXO, works can proceed.

It is good practice to raise awareness of the background UXO risk in the UK as part of a standard site induction. This will ensure that appropriate action is taken in the unlikely event that UXO is discovered.

Don't skip a stage: If you skip the detailed risk assessment stage, you could end up undertaking unnecessary work (e.g. trying to detect a UXO hazard that has already been removed).

Similarly, a detailed risk assessment might find that the UXO hazard is worse than expected and has a greater potential to cause harm, requiring a different mitigation approach than would otherwise be undertaken.

APPENDIX E

Photograph Log

CLIENT:	Shell UK Oil Products Limited			
PROJECT:	10044284	SITE NAME:	Shell Hitchin	

Shell Hitchin
Forecourt facing
southeast



Land use to the
west



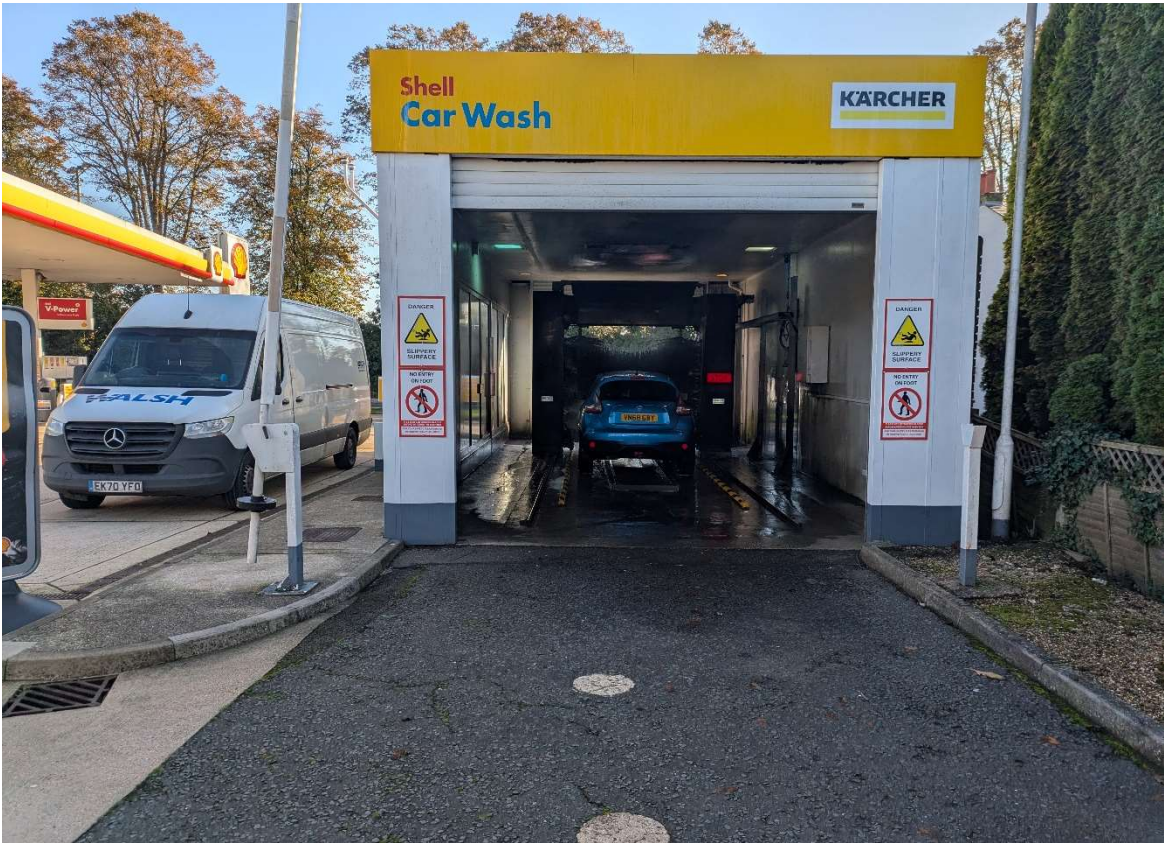
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Land use to the north



CLIENT:	Shell UK Oil Products Limited			
PROJECT:	10044284	SITE NAME:	Shell Hitchin	

Car wash located in the southern region of the Site



Car wash interceptor

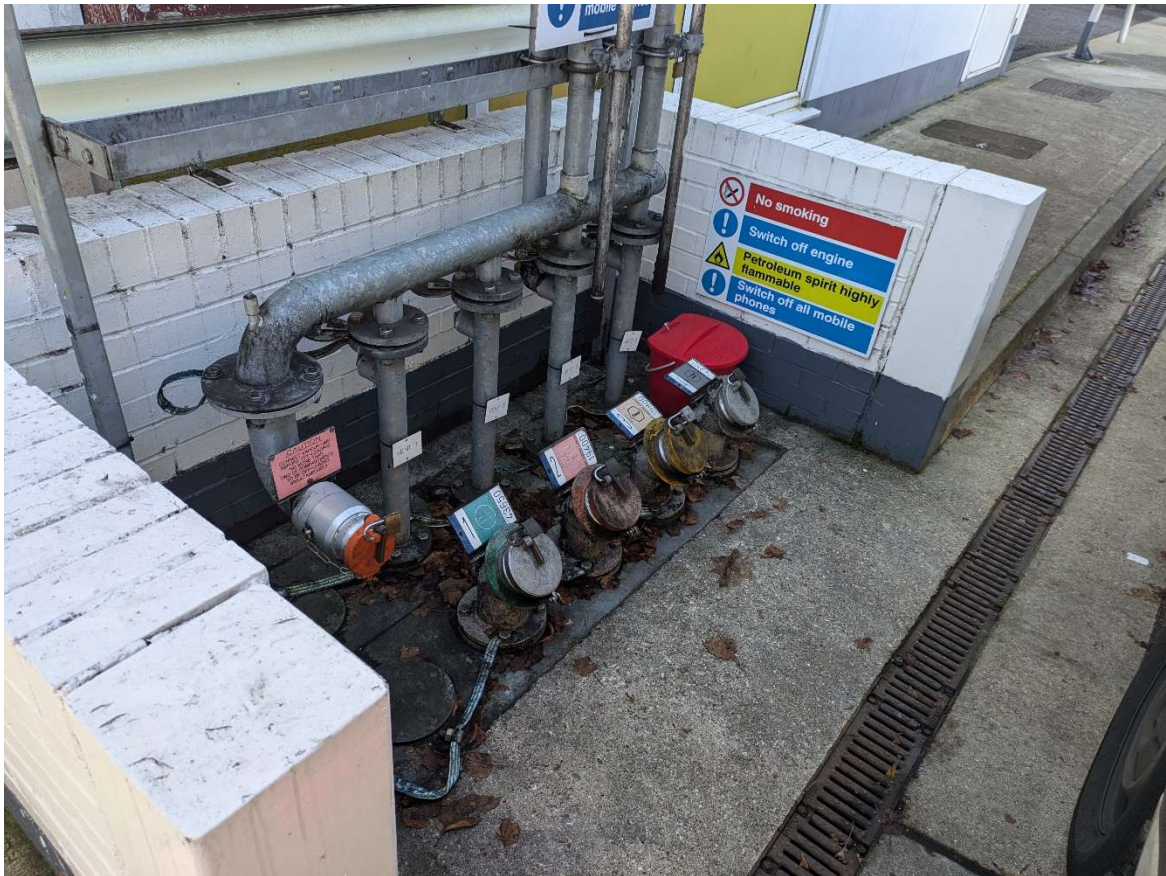


CLIENT:	Shell UK Oil Products Limited			
PROJECT:	10044284	SITE NAME:	Shell Hitchin	

Main interceptor located northeast of the Site



Offset fill area



CLIENT:	Shell UK Oil Products Limited			
PROJECT:	10044284	SITE NAME:	Shell Hitchin	

Car Wash Plant room



Evidence of previous boreholes identified near the southeast region of the Site



CLIENT:	Shell UK Oil Products Limited			
PROJECT:	10044284	SITE NAME:	Shell Hitchin	

Shop building to the north of the Site



Tank farm located in the southern region of the Site



APPENDIX F

Petroleum Officer Report



Community Protection Directorate

Chandrabhas Kolanti
Arcadis
Hyderabad

**Fire Protection
Regulatory Services - Petroleum**
Hertfordshire County Council
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Six Hill Way
Stevenage
Herts SG1 2FQ

Telephone : 01707 292668
Email : lisa.waddingham@hertfordshire.gov.uk
Your ref :
My ref : SR 43005
Date : 29th October 2024

Dear Chandrabhas,

REF: Shell, Bedford Road, Hitchin, Herts, SG5 2TY

As requested, we have examined our files and are pleased to provide the following information.

1. Our records show that there is a live petrol station at this site with 2 vessels in the ground, each split in to 2 tanks

VESSEL	TANK NO.	SINGLE DOUBLE MULTI	COUPLED WITH	WORKING CAPACITY	TOTAL CAPACITY	DATE INSTALLED	COMMENTS
A	1	DOUBLE	2	43650	45000	17.06.2013	Petrol
A	2	DOUBLE	1	19400	20000	17.06.2013	Petrol
B	3	DOUBLE	4	38800	40000	17.06.2013	Diesel
B	4	DOUBLE	3	24250	25000	17.06.2013	Diesel
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2. There is no record of any leaks or incidents at the site.
3. Site plan attached
4. Site has Stage 1b vapour recovery
5. Site has Stage 2 vapour recovery returning to Tank 2
6. Tanks were installed with a shingle back fill
7. Site has leak detection, OPD, high level alarm
8. Site has a class 1 interceptor
9. Pipework is double contained plastic
10. Site is a DUD site
11. Site has a TLS 350 gauge

Please note that the details are correct according to our records. However, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of this information.

Yours sincerely,

Lisa Waddingham
Petroleum Officer
Enc.