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Hi James

The additional sampling adjacent to the area where the amosite was found did not identify any more acm. It's therefore it's most likely that this is an isolated incidence.

The main problem with this site is that there is no records of source of the deposited materials. Therefore there is less confidence that the sampling results are fully representative.

The issue for the local authority is whether there is a significant possibility of significant harm from the contamination. The lack of national guidance that specifically addresses this issue with respect to agricultural land is a problems this regard.

Based on the sampling results it is concluded there is no significant possibility of significant harm but that is not the same as considering the land as free from contamination.

Regards

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Lee,

Thanks for these comments which lead me to conclude the level of any contamination and risk is low, and that the land would be suitable for agriculture.

However, can I confirm you are happy there is no significant risks in terms of potential for mobilisation of the localised trace of amosite? I would be grateful if you could confirm this and/or advise if a condition for some kind requiring further contamination verification or a targeted remediation strategy is required? If so please let me have the wording.

Your urgent attention would be welcomed.

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Hi James

I have been discussing this case with colleagues and it is a complex issue

The guidance on contamination standards in agricultural soils in UK principally concerns heavy metals. The results are below the criteria for heavy metals given in the Sewage sludge in agriculture: code of practice for England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

These standards do not cover all of the contaminants that are considered under the contaminated land regime . In particular the lab results show exceedances of poly aromatic hydrocarbons and Benzo-a-pyrene above the criteria for allotment soils. However these levels are unlikely to constitute significant possibility of significant harm

Based on the available guidance and the results provided the land would be not be classed as unsuitable for agricultural use but this is not to say the site is free from contamination.

Regards

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