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FOI Responses 24 April 2025 15:25	

Good afternoon

Thank you for your request for information dated 15 April 2025. This has been formally registered under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR), reference number 69696.

Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

Requests 1 to 3:

- Dumpsite that took in industrial, commercial and household waste, and "liquid sludge", a thick substance leftover from processes like wastewater treatment, from 1977 to 1994.
- The site flooded entirely in June 2007, according to the EA data.
- The site is now covered with grass and trees. Directly adjacent is a <u>new housing estate</u> where three-bed homes are on the market <u>for £240,000</u>.

Response to requests 1 to 3:

Regulation 12(4)(a) – Information is not held

The EIR provides a right of access, subject to certain exceptions, to recorded information held by public authorities. It does not require public authorities to express opinions or comment upon matters. The above points require the expression of an opinion/comments therefore, under the EIR, this information is not held.

Request 4:

• Who is responsible for this the Wheatley Hall Road, Doncaster (EAHLD04466) site?

Response to request 4:

Regulation 12(4)(a) – information is not held

City of Doncaster Council do not hold any records on the current ownership and responsibility of the site. It is advised you contact the Environment Agency (licensing body) or the Land Registry who may hold information on the ownership of this site.

Request 5:

• Has the council done any environmental testing (such as sampling water or soil for heavy metals) at these sites since it closed?

Response to request 5:

No, it is the responsibility of the developer to undertake such testing under supervision of the council's planning process.

Request 6:

• Has the council previously used the Contaminated Land Capital Grants to address issues at any disused landfills? Has the end of these grants posed any problems for your ability to monitor and remediate disused landfills?

Response to request 6:

No. City of Doncaster Council has not accessed the Contaminated Land Capital Grants to address issues at any disused landfills.

In answer to your question "Has the end of these grants posed any problems for your ability to monitor and remediate disused landfills?", this information is excepted under Regulation 12(4)(a) as this question requires the expression of an opinion/comments. The EIR provides a right of access, subject to certain exceptions, to recorded information held by public authorities. It does not require public authorities to express opinions or comment upon matters, therefore this information is not held.

I hope that this information is useful to you.

Reviewing any decisions made:

If you are not happy with this reply you can ask us to review our response. To do this write to us within 40 working days of receiving your response at the address below or email <u>FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk</u>

If you do not agree with the review decision you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision about our compliance or otherwise with the Freedom of Information legislation. Contact details for the ICO are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. <u>www.ico.org.uk</u> Telephone 0303 123 1113.

Yours sincerely,

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