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### Report of the Chief Planning Officer

### **PLANS PANEL SOUTH & WEST**

Date: 10th October 2013

Subject: Revocation of Hazardous Substance Consents at former Clariant site,

Horsforth

APPLICANT DATI N/A N/A	E VALID TARGET DATE N/A
Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:
Horsforth	Equality and Diversity
	Community Cohesion
Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Narrowing the Gap
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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

GRANT AUTHORITY TO PURSUE A REVOCATION ORDER UNDER SECTION 14(1) OF THE PLANNING (HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES) ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED) FOR ALL EXTANT HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE CONSENTS AT THE FORMER CLARIANT SITE, HORSFORTH

### 1.0 INTRODUCTION:

- 1.1 This report is presented to Plans Panel as the Council's scheme of delegation does not grant the Chief Planning Officer authority to revoke hazardous substance consents.
- 1.2 The current owners of the site are supporting the Council in the revocation of the consents because, until the consents have been formally revoked, a significant Health and Safety Executive (HSE) consultation zone will remain which may result in any future development proposals within the zone receiving a formal objection from the HSE.

### 2.0 PROPOSAL:

- 2.1 The Council wishes to pursue a revocation of the extant hazardous substance consents associated with the former Clariant site in Horsforth. The ownership of the site has changed since the consents were issued and the use for which the consents were issued has ceased and the buildings have been demolished. The site is to be redeveloped following the grant of permission 10/04068/OT (granted on appeal in 2012) and 12/04929/RM (granted on 3 May 2013) for the construction of 331 dwellings and 2 retail units.
- 2.2 If Members are minded to approve the issuing of the draft Revocation Order, this will then be sent to the Secretary of State for formal determination. Assuming no objections are received, the hazardous substance consents will then be formally revoked. The Council will then advise the HSE of the revocation and the HSE will remove their consultation zones associated with the site.
- 2.3 A copy of the draft Revocation Order is provided with this report at appendix 1.

### 3.0 LEGAL AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- 3.1 The Planning (Hazardous Substances) Act 1990 sets out the ways in which hazardous substances consents may be revoked. Section 14 provides a general power to revoke consents by way of order to be confirmed by the Secretary of State. Compensation is generally payable but in this case a Section 106 obligation has been signed which provides that no claim for compensation may be made.
- 3.2 The current owners have agreed to assist the council with the legal fees incurred with the revocation process.

## <u>APPENDIX 1 – DRAFT REVOCATION ORDER</u>

THE LEEDS CITY COUNCIL REVOCATION OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES CONSENT ORDER (NO.1) 2013

**CALVERLEY LANE, HORSFORTH, LEEDS** 

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# THE LEEDS CITY COUNCIL REVOCATION OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES CONSENT ORDER (NO.1) 2013

### LAND AT CALVERLEY LANE, HORSFORTH, LEEDS

### PLANNING (HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES) ACT 1990, SECTION 14(1)

#### RECITALS

1. The hazardous substance consents ("the Consents" which definition includes the Deemed Consent) as listed below were granted or deemed to have been granted by Leeds City Council ("the Authority") being the hazardous substances authority and in pursuance of their powers under the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Act 1990 ("the Act") for the presence of hazardous substances in respect of the land described in Schedule 1 (the "Land").

ReferenceDate Issued06/01747/HAZ12 July 200706/01761/HAZ11 July 200727/225/05/HZ12 July 200727/177/03/HZ24 May 200427/176/03/HZ24 May 200427/14/00/HZ29 September 200027/163/99/HZ15 December 1999 ("Deemed Consent")

- 2. The freehold interest in the Land has been transferred to a new owner who wishes to develop the Land for the construction of 331 dwellings and 2 retail units.
- 3. The revocation of the Consents means that the Health and Safety Executive is unlikely to continue to have any objection to future planning applications to develop the Land because the existing consultation zones would be removed.
- 4. The Council's Plans Panel on xxx resolved that the Consents should be revoked.
- 5. It appears to the Authority, having regard to material considerations, that it is expedient to revoke the Consents.
- 6. The ground on which the Order is made is as follows:

The Council considers it expedient to revoke the Consents because planning permission was granted on appeal by the Secretary of State under reference 10/04068/OT on 19 March 2012 for the redevelopment of the Land for the construction of 331 dwellings and 2 retail units.

NOW THEREFORE the Authority as hazardous substances authority and in pursuance of section 14(1)) of the Act and of all other powers enabling hereby make the following order:-

- 1. The Consents are revoked in their entirety.
- 2. This Order shall be cited as the Leeds City Council Revocation of Hazardous Substances Consent Order (No.1) 2013.

## SCHEDULE 1

The land at Calverley Lane, Horsforth, Leeds shown edged red on the plan attached to this Order.

### **SCHEDULE 2**

Category of chemicals for which Deemed Consent was given:

Very Toxic: Part B, 1 Toxic: Part B, 2

Any person wishing to object to this Order must do so by writing to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government ("Secretary of State") before xxxx 2013 at the following address:

National Planning Casework Unit 5 St Philips Place Colmore Row Birmingham B3 2PW

Any such objector to this Order may require an opportunity of appearing before and being heard by a person appointed by the Secretary of State for that purpose

Notice of this Order is to be served on:

Bridgemere Land PLC Bridgemere House Chester Road Preston Brook Runcorn Cheshire WA7 3BD

Harrow Estates PLC Bridgemere House Chester Road Preston Brook Runcorn Cheshire WA7 3BD Redrow Homes Limited Redrow House St Davids Park Flintshire CH55 3RX

Horsforth Riverside Nominee Limited and Horsforth Riverside Second Nominee Limited Whittington Hall Whittington Road Worcester WR5 2ZX

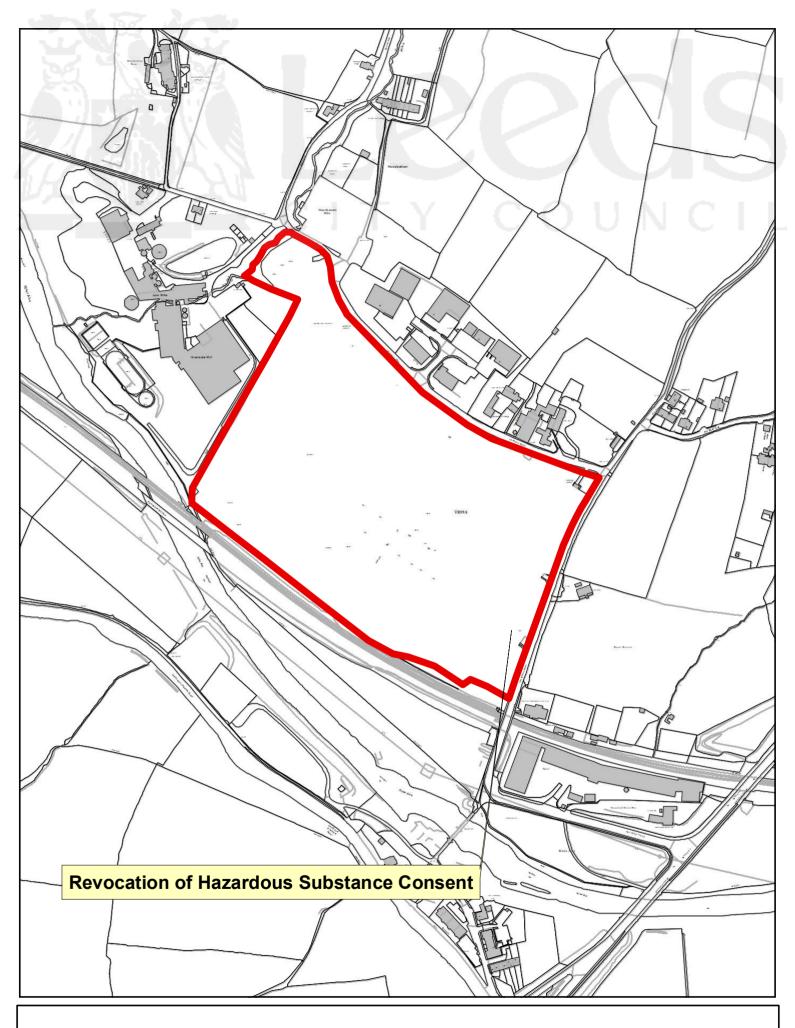
This Order shall not take effect until it has been confirmed by the Secretary of State.

**GIVEN** under the Corporate Common Seal of Leeds City Council this xx day of two thousand and thirteen

THE CORPORATE COMMON SEAL of )
LEEDS CITY COUNCIL was hereunto affixed )
in the presence of:-

**Authorised Signatory** 

Dated XX 2013



# **SOUTH AND WEST PLANS PANEL**

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