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1. Executive Summary

1.1. Background

A Quantitative Assessment was carried out on the pumphouse structure located at The Groynes. A map showing the location of the structure is shown below in Figure 1. The pumphouse is formed by reinforced concrete walls at the ground level, and a timber structure above the walls. Detailed descriptions outlining the building's age and construction type are given in Section 5 of this report.



Figure 1 Map of The Groynes showing location of pumphouse

This Quantitative report for the building structure is based on the Engineering Advisory Group's "Guidance on Detailed Engineering Evaluation of Earthquake Affected Non-residential Buildings" (draft) July 2011 and visual inspections carried on the 02nd of May, 2012, and the 08th and 10th of January, 2013 and calculations.

1.2. Key Damage Observed

Key defects observed include:-

- Step cracking (0.9mm wide) near the bend in concrete walls in south-west corner (appears to be caused by shrinkage and/or settlement movement near a construction joint and likely to predate recent earthquakes, but may have been widened by recent seismic movement)
- Vertical hairline crack (0.2mm wide) on north wall near west corner (appears to be caused by shrinkage movement and likely to pre-date recent earthquakes).



■ Hairline cracks (0.2-0.3mm wide) in repair mortar near the tie tod connections on north wall (appears to be caused by shrinkage of mortar and likely to pre-date recent earthquakes).

1.3. Critical Structural Weaknesses

No potential critical structural weaknesses have been identified.

1.4. Indicative Building Strength

As described in the Engineering Advisory Group's "Guidance on Detailed Engineering Evaluation of Earthquake Affected Non-residential Buildings" (draft) July 2011, we have assessed the capacity of the building as a percentage New Building Standard (%NBS) seismic resistance using the quantitative method. Our assessment included consideration of geotechnical conditions, existing earthquake damage to the building and structural engineering calculations to assess both strength and ductility/resilience.

The assessments were based on the following:

- On-site investigation to assess the extent of existing earthquake damage including limited intrusive investigation.
- Qualitative assessment of critical structural weaknesses (CSWs) based on review of available structural drawings and inspection where drawings were not available.
- No geotechnical investigation has been undertaken. No geotechnical investigation has been undertaken. We have based this report in a desktop geotechnical study.
- Assessment of the strength of the existing structures taking account of the current condition.

Any building that is found to have a seismic capacity less than 33% of the New Building Standard (NBS) is required to be strengthened up to a capacity of at least 67%NBS in order to comply with Christchurch City Council (CCC) policy - Earthquake-Prone Dangerous & Insanitary Buildings Policy 2010.

Based on the information available, and using the Quantitative Assessment Procedure, the building's original capacity has been assessed to be in the order of 7%NBS and since there is no apparent significant damage to structural elements, it's post earthquake capacity is also in the order of 7%NBS. No critical structural weaknesses were found in this building.

The building has been assessed to have a seismic capacity in the order of 7% NBS and is therefore potentially earthquake prone.

Please note that structural strengthening is required by law for buildings that are confirmed to have a seismic capacity of less than 33% NBS.



1.5. Recommendations

Based on the findings of this assessment the strength of the building is less than 10%NBS, strengthening is required in order to comply with Christchurch City Council (CCC) Policy – Earthquake-Prone Dangerous & Insanitary Buildings Policy 2010.

It is recommended that:

- a) We consider that barriers around the building are not necessary.
- b) Options to bring the building to a target of 67% are investigated.



2. Introduction

Sinclair Knight Merz has been engaged by Christchurch City Council to carry out a Quantitative Assessment of the seismic performance of the pumphouse located at The Groynes.

The scope of this quantitative analysis includes the following:

- Analysis of the seismic load carrying capacity of the building compared with current seismic loading requirements or New Buildings Standard (NBS). It should be noted that this analysis considers the building in its damaged state where appropriate.
- Identify any critical structural weaknesses which may exist in the building and include these in the assessed %NBS of the structure.

The recommendations from the Engineering Advisory Group¹ were followed to assess the likely performance of the structures in a seismic event relative to the New Building Standard (NBS). 100% NBS is equivalent to the strength of a building that fully complies with current codes. This includes a recent increase of the Christchurch seismic hazard factor from 0.22 to 0.3².

 $^{^1}$ EAG 2011, Guidance on Detailed Engineering Evaluation of Earthquake Affected Non-residential Buildings in Canterbury - Draft, p 10

² http://www.dbh.govt.nz/seismicity-info



3. Compliance

This section contains a brief summary of the requirements of the various statutes and authorities that control activities in relation to buildings in Christchurch at present.

3.1. Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (CERA)

CERA was established on 28 March 2011 to take control of the recovery of Christchurch using powers established by the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Act enacted on 18 April 2011. This act gives the Chief Executive Officer of CERA wide powers in relation to building safety, demolition and repair. Two relevant sections are:

Section 38 - Works

This section outlines a process in which the chief executive can give notice that a building is to be demolished and if the owner does not carry out the demolition, the chief executive can commission the demolition and recover the costs from the owner or by placing a charge on the owners' land.

Section 51 – Requiring Structural Survey

This section enables the chief executive to require a building owner, insurer or mortgagee carry out a full structural survey before the building is re-occupied.

We understand that CERA will require a detailed engineering evaluation to be carried out for all buildings (other than those exempt from the Earthquake Prone Building definition in the Building Act). It is anticipated that CERA will adopt the Detailed Engineering Evaluation Procedure document (draft) issued by the Structural Advisory Group on 19 July 2011. This document sets out a methodology for both qualitative and quantitative assessments.

The qualitative assessment is a desk-top and site inspection assessment. It is based on a thorough visual inspection of the building coupled with a review of available documentation such as drawings and specifications. The quantitative assessment involves analytical calculation of the buildings strength and may require non-destructive or destructive material testing, geotechnical testing and intrusive investigation.

It is anticipated that factors determining the extent of evaluation and strengthening level required will include:

- The importance level and occupancy of the building
- The placard status and amount of damage
- The age and structural type of the building

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- Consideration of any critical structural weaknesses
- The extent of any earthquake damage

3.2. Building Act

Several sections of the Building Act are relevant when considering structural requirements:

3.2.1. Section 112 - Alterations

This section requires that an existing building complies with the relevant sections of the Building Code to at least the extent that it did prior to any alteration. This effectively means that a building cannot be weakened as a result of an alteration (including partial demolition).

3.2.2. Section 115 - Change of Use

This section requires that the territorial authority (in this case Christchurch City Council (CCC)) be satisfied that the building with a new use complies with the relevant sections of the Building Code 'as near as is reasonably practicable'. Regarding seismic capacity 'as near as reasonably practicable' has previously been interpreted by CCC as achieving a minimum of 67% NBS however where practical achieving 100% NBS is desirable. The New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering (NZSEE) recommend a minimum of 67% NBS.

3.2.3. Section 121 - Dangerous Buildings

The definition of dangerous building in the Act was extended by the Canterbury Earthquake (Building Act) Order 2010, and it now defines a building as dangerous if:

- in the ordinary course of events (excluding the occurrence of an earthquake), the building is likely to cause injury or death or damage to other property; or
- in the event of fire, injury or death to any persons in the building or on other property is likely because of fire hazard or the occupancy of the building; or
- there is a risk that the building could collapse or otherwise cause injury or death as a result of earthquake shaking that is less than a 'moderate earthquake' (refer to Section 122 below); or
- there is a risk that that other property could collapse or otherwise cause injury or death; or
- a territorial authority has not been able to undertake an inspection to determine whether the building is dangerous.

3.2.4. Section 122 – Earthquake Prone Buildings

This section defines a building as earthquake prone if its ultimate capacity would be exceeded in a 'moderate earthquake' and it would be likely to collapse causing injury or death, or damage to other property. A moderate earthquake is defined by the building regulations as one that would generate ground shaking 33% of the shaking used to design an equivalent new building.

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3.2.5. Section 124 – Powers of Territorial Authorities

This section gives the territorial authority the power to require strengthening work within specified timeframes or to close and prevent occupancy to any building defined as dangerous or earthquake prone.

3.2.6. Section 131 – Earthquake Prone Building Policy

This section requires the territorial authority to adopt a specific policy for earthquake prone, dangerous and insanitary buildings.

3.3. Christchurch City Council Policy

Christchurch City Council adopted their Earthquake Prone, Dangerous and Insanitary Building Policy in 2006. This policy was amended immediately following the Darfield Earthquake of the 4th September 2010.

The 2010 amendment includes the following:

- A process for identifying, categorising and prioritising Earthquake Prone Buildings, commencing on 1 July 2012;
- A strengthening target level of 67% of a new building for buildings that are Earthquake Prone. Council recognises that it may not be practicable for some repairs to meet that target. The council will work closely with building owners to achieve sensible, safe outcomes;
- A timeframe of 15-30 years for Earthquake Prone Buildings to be strengthened; and,
- Repair works for buildings damaged by earthquakes will be required to comply with the above.

The council has stated their willingness to consider retrofit proposals on a case by case basis, considering the economic impact of such a retrofit.

We anticipate that any building with a capacity of less than 33%NBS (including consideration of critical structural weaknesses) will need to be strengthened to a target of 67%NBS of new building standard as recommended by the Policy.

If strengthening works are undertaken, a building consent will be required. A requirement of the consent will require upgrade of the building to comply 'as near as is reasonably practicable' with:

- The accessibility requirements of the Building Code.
- The fire requirements of the Building Code. This is likely to require a fire report to be submitted with the building consent application.



3.4. Building Code

The building code outlines performance standards for buildings and the Building Act requires that all new buildings comply with this code. Compliance Documents published by The Department of Building and Housing can be used to demonstrate compliance with the Building Code.

After the February Earthquake, on 19 May 2011, Compliance Document B1: Structure was amended to include increased seismic design requirements for Canterbury as follows:

- a) Hazard Factor increased from 0.22 to 0.3 (36% increase in the basic seismic design load)
- b) Serviceability Return Period Factor increased from 0.25 to 0.33 (80% increase in the serviceability design loads when combined with the Hazard Factor increase)

The increase in the above factors has resulted in a reduction in the level of compliance of an existing building relative to a new building despite the capacity of the existing building not changing.



4. Earthquake Resistance Standards

For this assessment, the building's earthquake resistance is compared with the current New Zealand Building Code requirements for a new building constructed on the site. This is expressed as a percentage of new building standard (%NBS). The new building standard load requirements have been determined in accordance with the current earthquake loading standard (NZS 1170.5:2004 Structural design actions - Earthquake actions - New Zealand).

The likely capacity of this building has been derived in accordance with the New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering (NZSEE) guidelines 'Assessment and Improvement of the Structural Performance of Buildings in Earthquakes' (AISPBE), 2006. These guidelines provide an Initial Evaluation Procedure that assesses a buildings capacity based on a comparison of loading codes from when the building was designed and currently. It is a quick high-level procedure that can be used when undertaking a Qualitative analysis of a building. The guidelines also provide guidance on calculating a modified Ultimate Limit State capacity of the building which is much more accurate and can be used when undertaking a Quantitative analysis.

The New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering has proposed a way for classifying earthquake risk for existing buildings in terms of %NBS and this is shown in Figure 2 below.

Description	Grade	Risk	%NBS	Existing Building Structural Performance		Improvement of St	ructural Performance
					_	Legal Requirement	NZSEE Recommendation
Low Risk Building	A or B	Low	Above 67	Acceptable (improvement may be desirable)		The Building Act sets no required level of structural improvement (unless change in use)	100%NBS desirable. Improvement should achieve at least 67%NBS
Moderate Risk Building	B or C	Moderate	34 to 66	Acceptable legally. Improvement recommended		This is for each TA to decide. Improvement is not limited to 34%NBS.	Not recommended. Acceptable only in exceptional circumstances
High Risk Building	D or E	High	33 or lower	Unacceptable (Improvement	╛	Unacceptable	Unacceptable

Figure 2: NZSEE Risk Classifications Extracted from table 2.2 of the NZSEE 2006 AISPBE Guidelines

Table 1 below provides an indication of the risk of failure for an existing building with a given percentage NBS, relative to the risk of failure for a new building that has been designed to meet current Building Code criteria (the annual probability of exceedance specified by current earthquake design standards for a building of 'normal' importance is 1/500, or 0.2% in the next year, which is equivalent to 10% probability of exceedance in the next 50 years).



Table 1: %NBS compared to relative risk of failure

Percentage of New Building Standard (%NBS)	Relative Risk (Approximate)
>100	<1 time
80-100	1-2 times
67-80	2-5 times
33-67	5-10 times
20-33	10-25 times
<20	>25 times



5. Building Details

5.1. Building description

The pumphouse structure located at the Groynes is formed from reinforced concrete walls at the ground level with a timber structure above. The pumphouse is constructed above a creek and in a position where the sides of the creek slope. Some of the walls are therefore retaining. The thickness of these retaining walls is 300mm while the other walls forming the structure are either 200 or 250mm thick. The height of the concrete walls is approximately 2.60m. An sketch of the pumphouse is attached below.

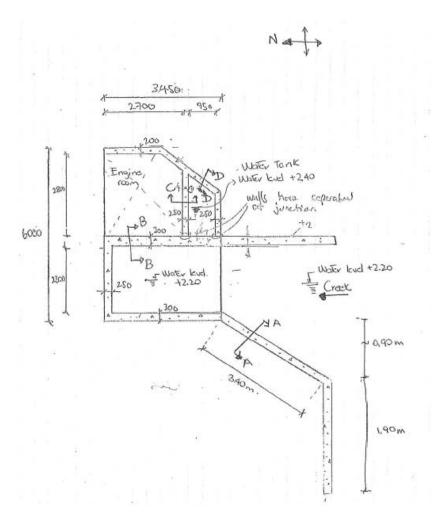


Figure 3: Sketch of the pumphouse



The structure above the concrete walls, as well as the roof, is formed by timber frames and corrugated iron cladding. The height of the timber structure is approximately 2.0 m.

Within the pumphouse there is some pump equipment and water tanks. No drawings were available to indicate details of the structure, foundation or equipment. However a sketch of the structure in Figure 3 was considered, as well as a non-intrusive inspection of the walls reinforcement.

A stamp in a concrete wall indicates 1936 as the construction year. It appears that the pumphouse is no longer in operation.

5.2. Gravity Load Resisting system

The weight of the upper timber structure is supported on the concrete walls that in turn, transfer the loads to the foundations. In addition, we considered the weight of the pump equipment as this is supported on some of the walls and on the ground floor.

Earth and water pressures applied to the concrete walls are assumed to be transferred to the foundations.

5.3. Seismic Load Resisting system

The seismic forces are considered to be resisted by the reinforced concrete walls. It has also been considered that these walls resist the increase in the earth and water pressure that an earthquake can induce.

The timber framing above the walls appears to have some nominal diagonal bracing to resist racking forces. However, the timber bracing appears to be insufficient to resist design level earthquake forces, which would make this part of the building susceptible to collapse in a moderate earthquake.

Note that for this structure the 'across direction' has been taken as north-south whereas the 'along direction' has been taken as east-west.

5.4. Building Damage

The following defects were observed during the time of the inspections:

1) Stepped cracking (0.9mm wide) near bend in concrete walls in south-west corner (appears to be caused by shrinkage and/or settlement movement near a construction joint and likely to predate recent earthquakes, but may have been widened by recent seismic movement)



- 2) Vertical hairline crack (0.2mm wide) on north wall near west corner (appears to be caused by shrinkage movement and likely to pre-date recent earthquakes).
- 3) Hairline cracks (0.2-0.3mm wide) in repair mortar near the tie tod connections on north wall (appears to be caused by shrinkage of mortar and likely to pre-date recent earthquakes).
- 4) The timber structure above the concrete walls is in a state of disrepair (Not earthquake related).



6. Available Information and Assumptions

6.1. Available Information

Following our inspections on the 2nd of May, 2012 and the 08th and 10th January, 2013, SKM carried out a seismic review on the structure. This review was undertaken using the available information which was as follows:

SKM site measurements and inspection findings

6.2. Survey

There was no visible settlement of the structure, nor were there any significant ground movement issues around the building. The site has been assessed as 'Rural and Unmapped' under the CERA Residential Technical Categories Map. However the worst areas near this site are classed as TC2. Due to these factors we do not recommend that any survey be undertaken at this stage of the assessment.

6.3. Assumptions

The assumptions made in undertaking the assessment include:

- The building was built according to the drawings and according to good practice at the time.
 We have reviewed the building and from our visual inspection the structure appears to be built in accordance with the drawings.
- The soil on site is class D as described in AS/NZS1170.5:2004, Clause 3.1.3, Soft Soil as noted in the Geotechnical Desktop Study attached in Appendix 3.
- Standard design assumptions for typical office and factory buildings as described in AS/NZS1170.0:2002:
 - 50 year design life, which is the default NZ Building Code design life.
 - Structure importance level 2. This level of importance is described as 'normal' with medium or considerable consequence for loss of human life, or considerable economic, social or environmental consequence of failure.
- The building has a short period less than 0.4 seconds.
- Site hazard factor, Z = 0.3, NZBC, Clause B1 Structure, Amendment 11 effective from 1 August 2011
- The following ductility criteria used in the building:
 - Based on the age of the structure and based on the non-intrusive inspection in which no horizontal reinforcement could be identified, it is considered that the reinforced concrete walls could not develop significant ductility,



■ Table 2: Assumed Building Ductility

Building	Ductility of Building	Ductility of Building	
	in Current State	in Strengthened State	
Pumphouse	1	1	

- Based on the non-intrusive inspection, we have assumed that nominal vertical reinforcement is
 present and that no horizontal steel is present.
- The Geotechnical Desktop Study attached in Appendix 3 presents an interpretation of the site geology local investigation indicating that the site is underlain by:

Depth range (mBGL)	Soil type
0 - 4	Fill / peat and soft clay
4 - 15	Soft clay
15+	Sandy gravels from the riccarton formation

Based on the predominant prescense of soft clays, the ultimate bearing capacity on site was assumed to be 90kPa. In addition, a specific weight of the soil of 18kN/m3 and a friction angle of 19° has been assumed.

- Minimum dimensions of the wall foundations have been assumed for the assessment of overturning, and bearing pressure.
- The following material properties were used in the analyses:

Table 3: Material Properties

Material	Nominal Strength	Structural Performance
Structural Steel	$f_{ey} = 300MPa$	$S_p = 1.0$
Concrete	f_{ace} ' = 18MPa	$S_p = 1.0$

The detailed engineering analysis is a post construction evaluation. Therefore, it has the following limitations:

- It is not likely to pick up on any concealed construction errors (if they exist)
- Other possible issues that could affect the performance of the building such as corrosion and modifications to the structure will not be identified unless they are visible and have been specifically mentioned in this report.
- The detailed engineering evaluation deals only with the structural aspects of the structure.
 Other aspects such as building services are not covered.



6.4. The Detailed Engineering Evaluation (DEE) process

The DEE is a procedure written by the Department of Building and Housing's Engineering Advisory Group and grades buildings according to their likely performance in a seismic event. The procedure is not yet recognised by the NZ Building Code but is widely used and recognised by the Christchurch City Council as the preferred method for preliminary seismic investigations of buildings³.

The procedure of the DEE is as follows:

1) Qualitative assessment procedure

- a. Determine the building's status following any rapid assessment that have been done
- b. Review any existing documentation that is available. This will give the engineer an understanding of how the building is expected to behave. If no documentation is available, site measurements may be required
- c. Review the foundations and any geotechnical information available. This will include determining the zoning of the land and the likely soil behaviour, a site investigation may be required
- d. Investigate possible Critical Structural Weaknesses (CSW) or collapse hazards
- e. Assess the original and post earthquake strength of the building (this assessment is subsequently superseded by the quantitative assessment)

2) Quantitative procedure

- a. Carry out a geotechnical investigation if required by the qualitative assessment
- b. Analyse the building according to current building codes and standards. Analysis accounts for damage to the building.

The DEE assessment ranks buildings according to how well they are likely to perform relative to a new building designed to current earthquake standards, as shown in Table 4. The building rank is indicated by the percent of the required New Building Standard (%NBS) strength that the building is considered to have. Earthquake prone buildings are defined as having less than 33 %NBS strength which correlates to an increased risk of approximately 20 times that of 100% NBS⁴. Buildings that are identified to be earthquake prone are required by law to be strengthened within 30 years of the owner being notified that the building is potentially earthquake prone⁵.

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³ http://resources.ccc.govt.nz/files/EarthquakeProneDangerousAndInsanitaryBuildingsPolicy2010.pdf

⁴ NZSEE 2006, Assessment and Improvement of the Structural Performance of Buildings in Earthquakes, p 2-2

⁵ http://resources.ccc.govt.nz/files/EarthquakeProneDangerousAndInsanitaryBuildingsPolicy2010.pdf



Table 4: DEE Risk classifications

Description	Grade	Risk	%NBS	Structural performance
Low risk building	A+	Low	> 100	Acceptable. Improvement may
				be desirable.
	A		100 to 80	
	В		80 to 67	
Moderate risk building	C	Moderate	67 to 33	Acceptable legally.
				Improvement recommended.
High risk building	D	High	33 to 20	Unacceptable. Improvement
				required.
	Е		< 20	_

The DEE method rates buildings based on the plans (if available) and other information known about the building and some more subjective parameters associated with how the building is detailed and so it is possible that %NBS derived from different engineers may differ.

This assessment describes only the likely seismic Ultimate Limit State (ULS) performance of the building. The ULS is the level of earthquake that can be resisted by the building without catastrophic failure. The DEE does also consider Serviceability Limit State (SLS) performance of the building and or the level of earthquake that would start to cause damage to the building but this result is secondary to the ULS performance.

The NZ Building Code describes that the relevant codes for NBS are primarily:

- AS/NZS 1170 parts 0, 1 and 5 Structural Design Actions
- NZS 3101:2006 Concrete Structures Standard
- NZS 3404:1997 Steel Structures Standard
- NZS 2606:1993 Timber Structures Standard
- NZS 4230:1990 Design of Reinforced Concrete Masonry Structures



7. Results and Discussions

7.1. Critical Structural Weaknesses

No structural weaknesses have been identified in this building.

7.2. Analysis Results

The equivalent static force method was used to analyse the seismic capacity of the building. The results of the analysis are reported in the following table as %NBS. The results below are calculated for the building in its damaged state. The building results have been broken down into their seismic resisting elements. As the building has elements that are less than 34%NBS any item with a capacity less than 67%NBS will need to be strengthened so that the overall building capacity is greater than 67%NBS.

(%NBS = the reliable strength / new building standards)

Table 5: DEE Results

Building	Seismic Resisting Element	Action	Seismic Rating %NBS
	Water retaining reinforced concrete walls (Thickness=0.20m, along direction)	Bending	7%
	Foundations	Bearing Pressure	Further investigation is required to establish the foundation details. Capacity with dimensions assumed is <33%.
Pumphouse	Earth retaining reinforced concrete walls(Thickness=0.30m, along direction)	Bending	13%
	Water retaining reinforced concrete walls (Thickness=0.25m, across direction)	Bending	19%
	Foundations	Sliding	23%
	Water retaining reinforced concrete walls (Thickness=0.30m)	Bending	25%



Building	Seismic Resisting Element	Action	Seismic Rating %NBS
	Timber structure above walls	Shear	<10%
	Earth retaining reinforced concrete walls (Thickness=0.30m)	Shear	53%
	Water retaining reinforced concrete walls (Thickness=0.20m)	Shear	56%
	Earth retaining reinforced concrete walls	Overturning	75%
	Water retaining reinforced concrete walls (Thickness=0.25m)	Shear	71%

7.3. Recommendations

The quantitative assessment carried out indicates that the pumphouse has a seismic capacity less than 33% of NBS and is therefore classed as being in the category of 'High Risk Buildings'. Strengthening of the building is required in accordance with the local authorities Earthquake Prone Buildings Policy.

We recommend that the following actions are taken:

- A detailed design of strengthening will be required including a geotechnical investigation to enable a consent for strengthening to be obtained.
- An intrusive inspection will be required to confirm details of the foundations.



8. Conclusion

SKM carried out a quantitative assessment on the pumphouse located at The Groynes. This assessment concluded that the building is classified as Earthquake Prone.

Table 6: Quantitative assessment summary

Description	Grade	Risk	%NBS	Structural performance
Pumphouse	Е	High	<10%	Unacceptable. Improvement required.

Strengthening is required in accordance with the local authorities Earthquake Prone Buildings Policy.

We make the following additional recommendations if the building is to be repaired:

- a) We consider that barriers around the building are not necessary.
- b) Options to bring the building to a target of 67% are investigated.



9. Limitation Statement

This report has been prepared on behalf of, and for the exclusive use of, SKM's client, and is subject to, and issued in accordance with, the provisions of the contract between SKM and the Client. It is not possible to make a proper assessment of this report without a clear understanding of the terms of engagement under which it has been prepared, including the scope of the instructions and directions given to, and the assumptions made by, SKM. The report may not address issues which would need to be considered for another party if that party's particular circumstances, requirements and experience were known and, further, may make assumptions about matters of which a third party is not aware. No responsibility or liability to any third party is accepted for any loss or damage whatsoever arising out of the use of or reliance on this report by any third party.

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It is not within SKM's scope or responsibility to identify the presence of asbestos, nor the responsibility of SKM to identify possible sources of asbestos. Therefore for any property predating 1989, the presence of asbestos materials should be considered when costing remedial measures or possible demolition.

Should there be any further significant earthquake event, of a magnitude 5 or greater, it will be necessary to conduct a follow-up investigation, as the observations, conclusions and recommendations of this report may no longer apply Earthquake of a lower magnitude may also cause damage, and SKM should be advised immediately if further damage is visible or suspected.



10. Appendix 1 – Additional Photos





Photo 1: Entrance to the pumphouse at north east

Photo 2: Interior view of engine room



Photo 3: Interior view of timber structure-North elevation



Photo 4: Interior view of pumphouse-South east elevation







Photo 5: Interior view of water tank at south east.

Photo 6: Interior view of pumphouse. South west elevation



Photo 7: Interior view of pumphouse. South west elevation



Photo 8: West view of pumphouse.





Photo 9: Tank above the creek. Southern view



Photo 10: Tank above the creek. Northern view



Photo 11: Western view of the pumphouse.



Photo 12: Interior wall dividing the rooms of the pumphouse



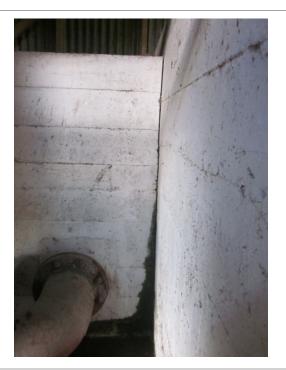


Photo 13: Walls separated at junction.



Photo 15: Cut out in interior wall exposes the quality of concrete.



Photo 14: Close up of photo 13.



Photo 16: Close up of photo 15.





Photo 17: Connection of bracing elements in timber structure. Note that connection is made just with three nails.



Photo 18: Connection of elements in timber structure.



11. Appendix 2 – SESOC Standardised DEE Summary



12. Appendix 3 – Geotechnical Desktop Study



Christchurch City Council - Structural Engineering Service

Geotechnical Desk Study

SKM project number ZB01276

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1. Introduction

This report outlines the geotechnical information that Sinclair Knight Merz (SKM) has been able to source from our database and other sources in relation to the property listed above. We understand that this information will be used as part of an initial qualitative DEE, and will be supplemented by more detailed information and investigations to allow detailed scoping of the repair or rebuild of the building.

2. Scope

This geotechnical desk top study incorporates information sourced from:

- Published geology
- Publically available borehole records
- Liquefaction records
- Aerial photography
- Council files
- A preliminary site walkover

3. Limitations

This report was prepared to address geotechnical issues relating to the specific site in accordance with the scope of works as defined in the contract between SKM and our Client. This report has been prepared on behalf of, and for the exclusive use of, our Client, and is subject to, and issued in accordance with, the provisions of the contract between SKM and our Client. The findings presented in this report should not be applied to another site or another development within the same site without consulting SKM.

The assessment undertaken by SKM was limited to a desktop review of the data described in this report. SKM has not undertaken any subsurface investigations, measurement or testing of materials from the site. In preparing this report, SKM has relied upon, and presumed accurate, any information (or confirmation of the absence thereof) provided by our Client, and from other sources as described in the report. Except as otherwise stated in this report, SKM has not attempted to verify the accuracy or completeness of any such information.



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4. Site location



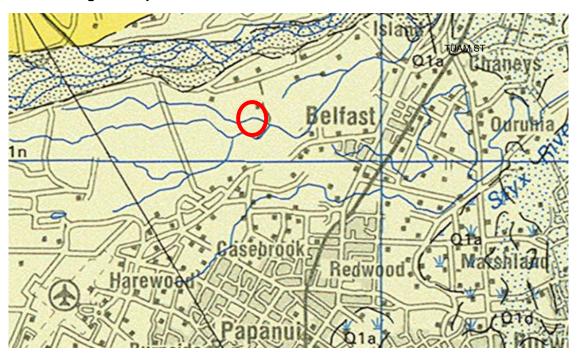
■ Figure 1 – Site location (courtesy of LINZ http://viewers.geospatial.govt.nz)

These structures are located on 182 Johns Road.



5. Review of available information

5.1 Geological maps



■ Figure 2 – Regional geological map (Forsyth et al, 2008). Site marked in red.

The local geological map of the Christchurch area does not extend to the location of the site.

The regional geological map shows the site as underlain by river alluvium, comprising gravel, sand and silt, beneath plains or low level terraces.

5.2 Liquefaction map

Following the 22 February 2011 event drive through reconnaissance was undertaken from 23 February until 1 March by M Cubrinovsko and M Taylor of Canterbury University. However, the reconnaissance did not extend to the location of the site.

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5.3 Aerial photography



■ Figure 3 – Aerial photography from 24 Feb 2011 (http://viewers.geospatial.govt.nz/)





 Figure 4 Aerial photograph showing liquefied material ejected near road way (http://viewers.geospatial.govt.nz/)

The aerial photographs appears to show some evidence of liquefaction occurring on site due to the 22 February earthquake, with localised sand boils and liquefied material ejected near the road way visible in figure 4.

5.4 CERA classification

A review of the LINZ website (http://viewers.geospatial.govt.nz/) shows that the site is:

- Zone: Green
- DBH Technical Category: N/A (Rural & Unmapped) the residential area south of the site is classified as TC2

5.5 Historical land use

Reference to historical documents (eg Appendix A) shows that parts of the site were classified as swamp or marshland. The area classified appears to be larger than lakes currently present on site. This could indicate that adjacent land on site could be underlain by soft or liquefiable deposits. With a number of creeks running through the site, it is possibly that much of the area would be underlain by soft river deposits.

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5.6 Existing ground investigation data



 Figure 5 – Local boreholes from Project Orbit and SKM files (https://canterburyrecovery.projectorbit.com/)

Where available logs from these investigation locations are attached to this report (Appendix B), and the results are summarised in Appendix C.

5.7 Council property files

Council documents and drawings relating to applied building permits, project memorandums, building consents and resource consent were available for this site. However, records including drawings and documents for only some of the structures were available.

In general the proposed drawings for the toilets blocks indicate a 100mm thick concrete floor slab on a layer of compacted hardfill and reinforced concrete footings around the perimeter was used as the foundation solution. Footings varying between 170mm to 300mm wide and 500mm to 740mm deep, depending on the ground profile near the structure, were indicated in the council drawings. A minimum embedment depth of 300mm increasing up to 450mm was noted with two D12 rods indicated as the reinforcement proposed for the footings.

Likewise, the drawings for the yacht building and toilets show a 100mm thick on grade concrete slab and 300mm deep reinforced concrete footings below the internal walls of the structure. The width of the footing is shown to vary between 170mm to 300mm.

The drawing for the proposed kiosk structure shows the structure was to be supported by 150mm diameter timber posts around the perimeter of the building. Approximately 300mm of the pile is shown to be above ground level. However, the embedment depth of the pile is not clear from available drawings. 100mm by 50mm bearers are used to distribute the loading from the structure to the identified timber posts.

The proposed drawings for the carport storage sheds show 200mm by 200mm concrete "piles" to be the foundation solution for the structure. However, no further information was available from the drawing or



relevant council documents. There is some uncertainty on which building in the site inspection this record refers to. No map showing the location of the building on site was found.

The proposed drawing for the garage/ workshop indicates that a 100mm thick concrete slab on grade was proposed as the floor for the structure. A reinforced concrete footing that is 200mm wide was proposed beneath the walls of the structure. A minimum embedment depth of 300mm and height of 200mm above ground level is specified in the drawings for the footing. The recorded foundation information does not appear to match the garage/ workshop building inspected. No detailed map showing the location of the building was found in the available council records. It is expected that the exact location of the building would need to be verified to use this information.

The Ranger's office (dwelling 1) structure, labelled as the "relocated office" in the council records is indicated to be supported on 150mm diameter piles spaced at 1.4m centres over the footprint of the structure. The piles are indicated to be 525mm long with a minimum of 225mm of its length being embedded. Concrete corner foundations are also indicated for the office building. No other details about the foundation solution for the building were found during the review of available council records.

Drawing showing the extension to the dwelling 1 structure labelled as extension to the "information centre" indicates that short timber piles approximately 150mm in diameter below the bearer timber beam, embedded in 300mm by 350mm concrete footings was used as the foundation solution. The piles are shown to be approximately 900mm long. A minimum cover of 150mm above the concrete block to ground level and 300mm from ground level to the bearer beams is identified. The 125mm by 75mm bearers are shown to be tied into the foundations of the existing information centre structure.

In addition, some of the council documents indicate the presence of a septic tank near the toilet block structure. It is not clear where the respective toilet block is located. It is possible that additional septic tanks are present near toilet blocks spread throughout the foot print of the site.

No other ground investigation data or record of any excavation was found during the review of available council records.

5.8 Site walkover

A site walkover was conducted by a SKM engineer in the week commencing 9 April 2012. A site plan showing the located of the inspected building is provided in Appendix D.

PRK_0348_BLDG_007 EQ2

The small timber frame building was noted to be constructed using fibre board clad, slab on grade foundation and sheet metal roof. Minor damage was noted with the roof iron lifting but this damage possibly could have occurred before the earthquake. The structure itself is located on level ground with no land damage noted during the external site inspection.

PRK 0348 BLDG 005 EQ2

The building was noted as being rangers' office. The structure was a timber frame building on timber pole piles, sheet metal clad and sheet metal roof. The building was noted to be on level land but driveway to the north slopes up towards the road. No apparent building or land damage was noted during the external site inspection.



PRK_0348_BLDG_012 EQ2

The structure was observed to comprise a concrete base and concrete perimeter footing. The building was timber frame construction with sheet metal clad and roof. The structure appears to in a state of disrepair; however this is not as a consequence of the recent earthquake. The structure was located on a water way but no evidence of liquefaction, lateral spreading or other form of land damage was observed during the external site inspection.

PRK 0348 BLDG 008 EQ2

The structure was a masonry block building with sheet metal roof and slab on grade foundation. The building is located on flat ground close to a waterway to the east. No evidence of any land or building damage was observed during the external site inspection.

PRK_0348_BLDG_011 EQ2

The building was observed to be a farm shed type construction comprising timber pole with timber frame and sheet metal clad roof. No access was available to the site on the day of the inspection. However, the site is adjacent to a waterway to the west and there was no evidence of any land damage in the surrounding vicinity.

PRK 0348 BLDG 006 EQ2

The dwelling was located within an enclosed area. Therefore it was difficult to ascertain the construction type for the structure. However, the structure was likely to be weatherboard clad with sheet metal roof. A confirmation of the type foundation was not able to be made. The building was located adjacent to a waterway to the east. However, no evidence of land damage was visible during the external site inspection.

PRK_0348_BLDG_010 EQ2

The building was a masonry block construction with sheet metal roof and slab on grade. It was located on relatively flat ground with no building or land damage noted during the site inspection.

PRK_0348_BLDG_004 EQ2

The building was a masonry block construction with timber A frame, sheet metal roof and slab on grade foundations. The structure is located close to water ways. The ground was observed to be undulating in the area. However, no evidence of any liquefaction was noted near the site. Therefore it is possible that the undulations may not have been caused by the earthquake. No damage to the building was noted during the external site inspection.

PRK 0348 BLDG 014 EQ2

The building was noted to be a timber frame construction with sheet metal clad / sheet metal roof. The foundation appears to be either a timber floor or no foundation/floor present for the building. During the external site inspection, there does not appear to be any building damage. The site is adjacent to a lake, with a wooden jetty that runs adjacent and perpendicular to the building. No significant damage to the perpendicular jetty was apparent. The jetty which is adjacent to the building however slopes toward the lake to the west of the building. It is not clear if this was a consequence of the earthquake. There was no clear evidence that any lateral spread or liquefaction occurred on site during the site walkover. However, some undulations of the ground were observed in the area.



PRK_0348_BLDG_017 EQ2

The structure was a masonry block building with sheet metal roof and slab on grade foundation. The slab has approximately 400 mm thickness exposed above ground level. The building is located on flat ground, with no evidence of any land or building damage observed during the external site walkover.

PRK_0348_BLDG_002 EQ2

The building is a masonry block construction with sheet metal roof and slab on grade foundation. The structure is located on level ground. There does not appear to be any significant building damage from the external site inspection, however, cracking of the paving slabs to the west of the building was observed. The cracking was noted to be around the downpipe and across the pavement and looks to be relatively fresh (cracks range from 5-20mm). Settlement of the paving slab of up to 30mm was also noted.

PRK_0348_BLDG_009 EQ2

The structure was a timber pole information kiosk. No significant land damage was observed during the site walkover.

PRK_0348_BLDG_013 EQ2

The building was a timber frame construction with sheet metal walls and roof though the front of the building was mainly made up of 2 roller doors. Foundations appear to be railway sleepers. There was no building or land damage noted during the external site inspection.

PRK 0348 BLDG 016 EQ2

The structure was a small timber frame shed with plywood clad, with no apparent foundations other than a timber floor or possibly timber slats and sheet metal roof. No building or land damage was noted.

PRK_0348_BLDG_003 EQ2

The building was a masonry block construction with sheet metal roof and slab on grade foundation. The building was located on level ground but ground behind to the west slopes up an embankment (approximately 1.2m high). No land or building damage was noted during the external site walkover.

6. Conclusions and recommendations

6.1 Site geology

An interpretation of the most relevant local investigation suggests that the site is underlain by:

Depth range (mBGL)	Soil type
0 - 4	Fill / peat and soft clay
4 - 15	Soft clay
15+	Sandy gravels from the riccarton formation

The water table was inferred to be approximately 2m below ground level from nearby boreholes.



6.2 Seismic site subsoil class

The site has been assessed as NZS1170.5 Class D (deep or soft soil) from adjacent borehole logs.

As described in NZS1170, the preferred site classification method is from site periods based on four times the shear wave travel time through material from the surface to the underlying rock. The next preferred methods are from borelogs including measurement of geotechnical properties or by evaluation of site periods from Nakamura ratios or from recorded earthquake motions. Lacking this information, classification may be based on boreholes with descriptors but no geotechnical measurements. The least preferred method is from surface geology and estimates of the depth to underlying rock.

In this case the third preferred method has been used to make the assessment. As boreholes including measurement of geotechnical properties was not available for this desk study, site specific study in the future could result in a revision to the site subsoil class.

6.3 Building Performance

In general the existing foundations for the structures are adequate for their current purpose.

6.4 Ground performance and properties

Liquefaction risk appears to be low to moderate. Some evidence of liquefaction occurring on site was observed from the aerial photographs. However, no significant land damage or evidence of liquefaction was noted during the site walkover of the structures located on site. It should be noted, however, that the site walkover was conducted more than a year after the 22nd February earthquake and so it is possible that some liquefaction did occur but the evidence is no longer apparent. The clay layer inferred to lie between 4m to 15m is unlikely to be susceptible to liquefaction. Likewise, the lenses of sand that may be present in the sandy gravel layer below 15m may be susceptible to liquefaction but it is unlikely that any surface effects of this liquefaction would be observed. Therefore, any observed liquefied ejecta could be due to shallow silt or loose sand content.

As no geotechnical parameters were measured in the available ground investigation data, an estimation of the shallow ground properties has not been made in this desk study. Additional investigations are required, in order to assess the likely shallow ground properties.

6.5 Further investigations

In general the structures on site appear to be relatively light constructions supported on shallow footings. There is relatively good agreement on the geology of the soil below a depth of 5m from the available ground investigation data. However, as no geotechnical parameters are available, in order to perform a quantitative DEE, additional investigations are required. Additional investigations recommended are:

 Two CPTs near larger buildings such as the ranger's office and dwelling 2 are recommended. For small structures such as the kiosk and office building, two hand augers to infer the composition of shallow soils would be adequate.

If investigation is required for more than one asset it is advised to carry these out at the same time as scope may be able to be reduced by carrying out a site wide investigation.

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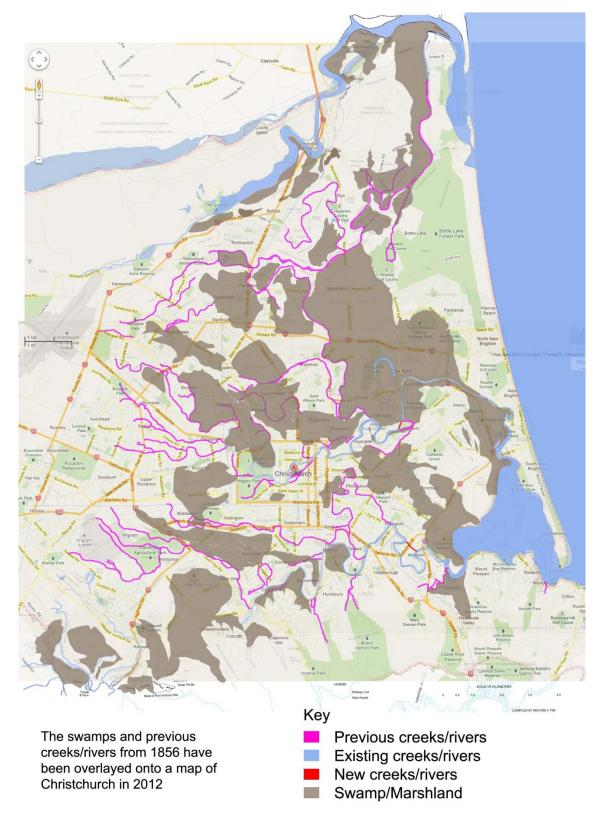
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Appendix A - Christchurch 1856 land use





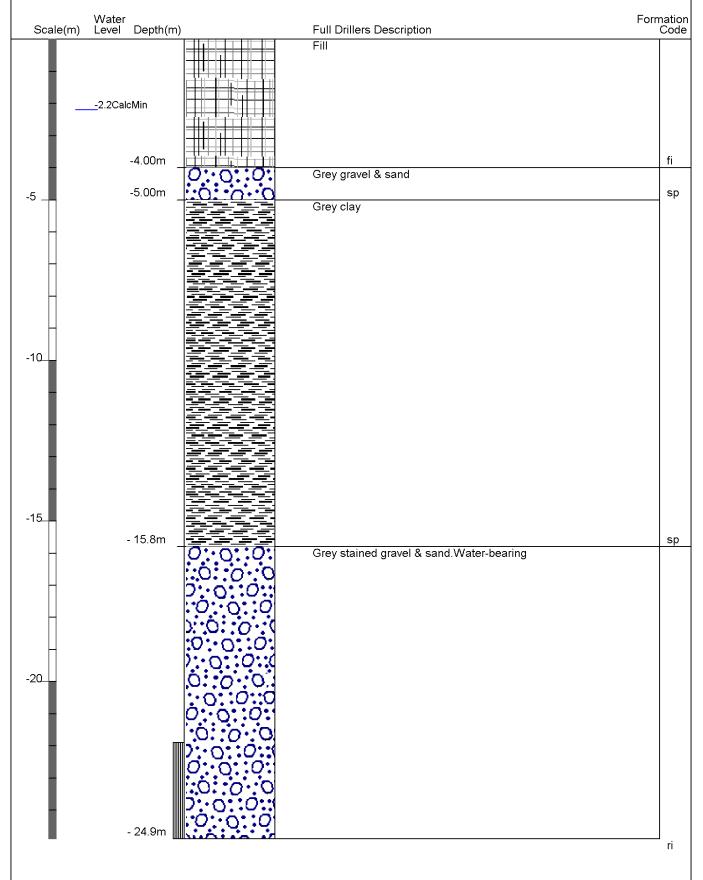
Appendix B – Existing ground investigation logs

Borelog for well M35/5250 Gridref: M35:7810-5045 Accuracy: 4 (1=best, 4=worst)

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Drill Depth : -24.9m Drill Date : 25/06/1985





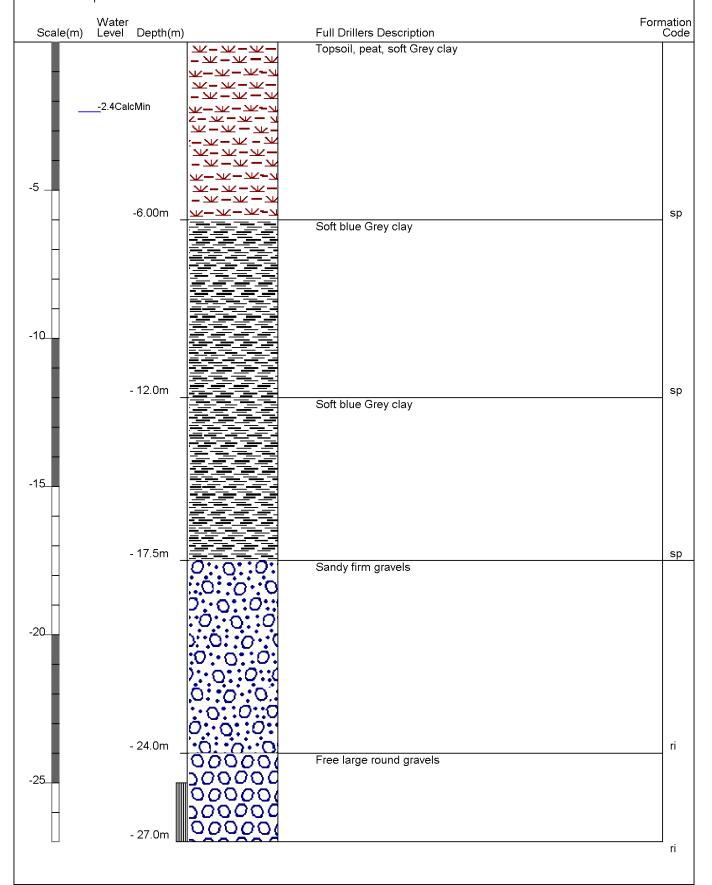
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Ground Level Altitude: 13 +MSD Driller : East Coast Drilling

Drill Method : Rotary Rig

Drill Depth : -27m Drill Date : 6/01/1998





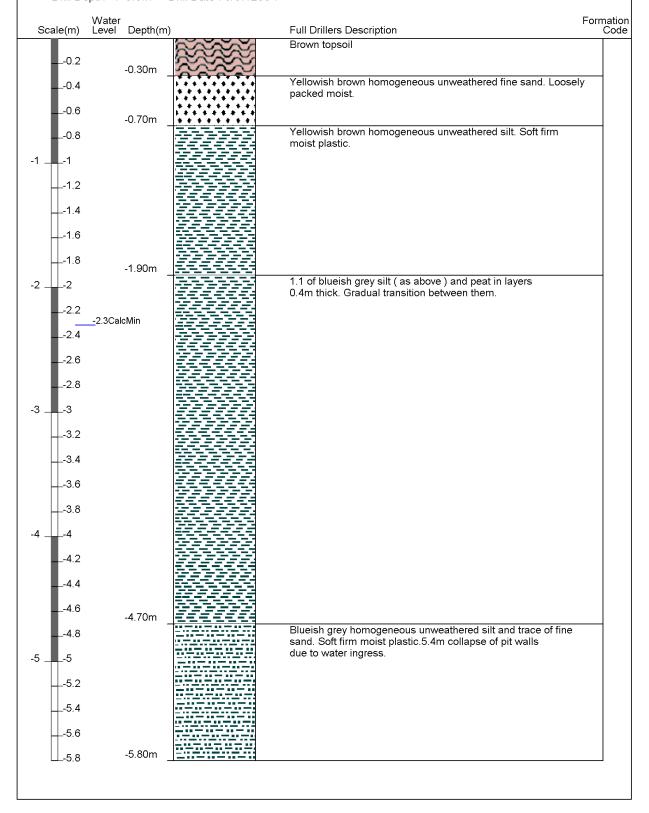
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Drill Method : Unknown

Drill Depth : -5.8m Drill Date : 6/07/2004



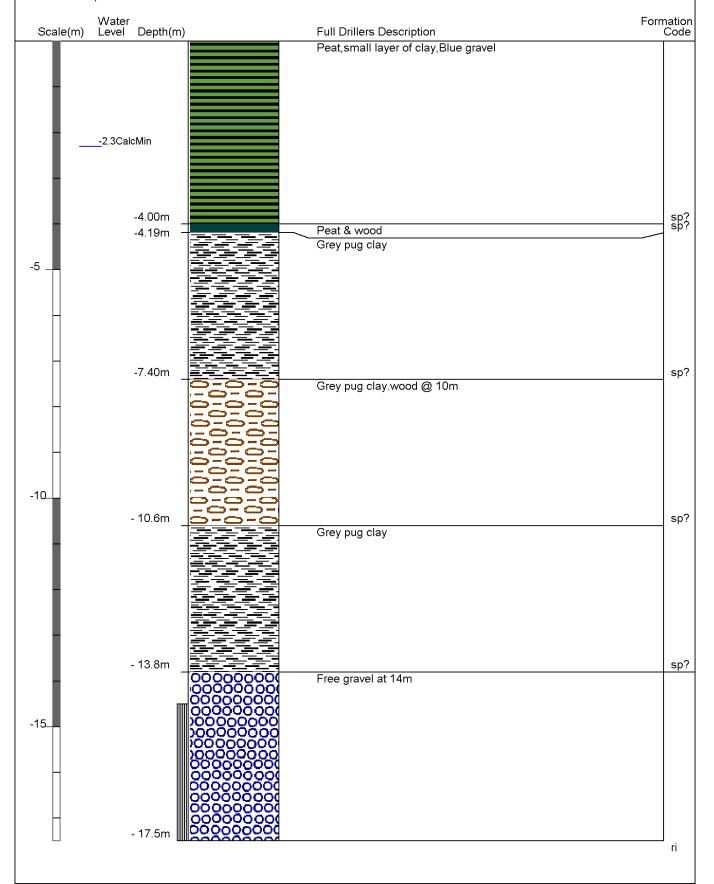


Borelog for well M35/3475Gridref: M35:785-505 Accuracy: 4 (1=best, 4=worst)
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Driller : Smith, JR&IG Drill Method : Cable Tool

Drill Depth : -17.5m Drill Date : 29/11/1983



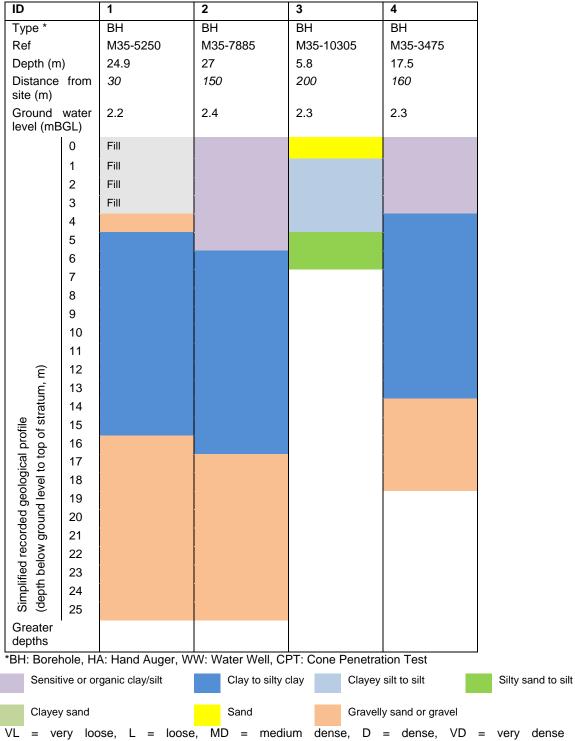




Appendix C – Geotechnical Investigation Summary

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Table 1 Summary of most relevant investigation data



VS = very loose, L = loose, MD = medium dense, D = dense, VD = very dense VS = very soft, So = soft, F = firm, St = stiff, VS = very stiff, H = hard

Note the shortest distance from the site boundary to the investigation location is provided in the table due to the very large footprint of the site



Appendix D – Site Plan outlining the location of the building as named in the external site walkover



Could not find - Toilets Kimihia? Or Toilets - CLOSED (behind toilet block?)