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Dear Dr Eddies

**Re: Site Investigation – Tenaplas Drive, Upper Basildon, Berks**

Further to your letter of 2<sup>nd</sup> February and our subsequent discussions I confirm that the demolition works on the site have been delayed by a week and that they have revealed a considerable amount of data relevant to the interior of the site. The client has also received planning approval to a housing layout that places all the houses around the perimeter of the site and therefore reduces the area at risk and warranting detailed investigation.

Enclosed is our drawing number S8814-1514-01 revision A showing the original site levels before demolition, the site investigation trial pit and borehole positions and the proposed layout for the new housing. We have also tried to overlay the extract from the ordnance sheet showing the siting of the brick kilns on another drawing 03 revision A.

You should previously have received with my letter of 28<sup>th</sup> January the site investigation report by LBH Wembley and the draft report by Geo-Environmental Services Ltd as well as the Kennedy Donkin data on underground cavities.

You will see that the void that was located in the GESL Investigation was near borehole 5 and therefore plots 1, 2 and 22, 23 would seem most at risk. However plots 3 through to 9 could also be on made ground or ground with cavities in view of their proximity to the edge of the old clay pit. I suggest that we should therefore commence our investigation in the area around borehole 5 and the adjacent properties and develop it as necessary under the dwellings 22, 23, 1, 2, 3 and 4 and then units 5-10 if we consider that there is a risk to these properties. We have already located an old brick kiln on what would be the northern boundary of plots 5-8 and this has been removed so I would not anticipate any significant further obstructions in that area.

Once you have had a chance to review the site investigation data, my latest drawings and this letter, perhaps you would like to contact me to discuss what you think would be the best method of proceeding.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

**John Newton**

cc Mr Keith Wills – Clancy Developments Ltd + enc.  
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