

Subject: Independent confirmation of ALC by observation of soil profile

Dear Sirs,

Further to your request, please find attached a copy of a video made by my colleague Sam Franklin of Landscape Ltd demonstrating how an auger observation for ALC is undertaken, including the setting out of a soil core for observation. The auger boring was taken on the boundary of Sunnica East A and is shown marked on the attached location plan.

This video clearly demonstrates to the viewer that the soil profile of land abutting the proposed Sunnica development at Sunnica East Site A is over 80cm deep and is far deeper and significantly less stony than the 30cm deep core, including 15% stones with a diameter greater than 2cm, observed by DBSC at LFI64 on the other side of the hedge on the application site. Given the importance of accurate ALC grading in the allocation of land for development, it is imperative that this significant incongruity is understood in order that the Examining Authority can make a robust decision regarding the future of this land.

The core observed in the video is consistent with soil series surveyed in detail in the area by the Soil Survey and Ministry of Agriculture and mapped at 1:10,560 and 1:63,360 scales.

If you have any queries, please contact me.

With kind regards

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