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CONSULTATION PAPER

DEVELOPMENT ON LAND AFFECTED BY CONTAMINATION

COMMENTS FROM THE INSTITUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

We have addressed most of the points identified as main issues and comment as follows:

- The advice is needed and will be helpful to all parties involved in the development of contaminated land.
- We consider the advice to be perfectly clear. However, as it replaces a section of the existing PPG 23 would it not be better to modify and re-issue that document thus avoiding the necessity of reference to two documents and possible confusion.
- We feel that the advice is aimed at the right level of readership.
- In our view, the advice will help to facilitate the development process and contribute to more efficient implementation though we doubt if there will be any significant effect on the level of risk or the extent of re-use.
- The appendices are, in our view extremely helpful and an aid to clarity.
- Examples of good practice are always very useful. However, if these already exist
 in a suitable format and are readily available for reference then it might be
 sensible to avoid duplication.

We trust that the above comments will be of interest and use.

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