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Dear

Environmental Information Regulations 2004

Thank you for requesting information about Frederick Bird Primary School, Coventry which the Council received on 31 January 2013. Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

You have requested the following information;

1) Is the site (or has the site been) a registered landfill (open or closed) or does it lie within 500m of a known landfill – if so are there any gas monitoring records that could be made available?

There are no known formal or informal landfill sites within 500m of the study site; as such there is no landfill data available. Areas of former land use that may have impacted upon the land quality within 500m are provided in MAP 1.

2) Are there any contaminated land site investigations on adjacent or nearby land? (i.e. any local authority recorded landfill sites nearby, recorded pollution incidents, records of landfill gas monitoring, records of site investigations on nearby sites etc.).

A limited investigation was carried out at the site in 2012. Please see the answer to question 3.

Environmental Protection does not hold any report of any other site investigation within 500m of the study site. Further information may be available via the planning portal, the link is provided below.

3) Have there been any pollution incidents?

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A spillage of home made bio-diesel from a neighbouring residential property occurred in 2011/2012. Approximately 300 litres were spilt which flowed along the southern side of the primary schools playing field. Soil samples have been taken and a full risk assessment is pending. It is understood from initial results that the bio-diesel has not seeped deeply into the soil remaining within the first 1cm, but has spread along the boundary. MAP 2 shows the approximate area of Biodiesel outlined in yellow.

I have endeavoured to answer all the questions you have submitted. Other records may be available that relate to the site via the planning portal. This can be accessed and searched at the following address: <http://planning.coventry.gov.uk/portal/index.html>

The information provided by the Council in relation to the site is factual. The Council is not able to provide a conclusive opinion on whether the site is 'contaminated' or not.

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Yours sincerely

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