



29th August 2011

Our Ref: R285

Dear Mr

## Freedom of Information Request - Ropetackle Development, Shoreham

We wrote to you on the 1<sup>st</sup> August to explain that we were processing your request and would be able to provide you with a full answer by 29<sup>th</sup> August, following the clarity you had provided. I am now able to provide you with a final response to your request for information. Your request to SEEDA is:

I am interested as a student in any ground remediation made at the Ropetackle development in Shoreham by Sea in West Sussex and also what will become of the ownership of the land at the site after SEEDA.

When we wrote to you on 1<sup>st</sup> August, we confirmed that the future ownership of the site, will transfer to the Home and Communities Agency (HCA), under a stewardship model, by the 19<sup>th</sup> September 2011.

Furthermore, as discussed over the phone with you prior to our 1<sup>st</sup> August letter (we contacted you on the 26<sup>th</sup> July 2011), we have determined that the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Environmental Information Regulations 2004 are relevant to the ground remediation works element of your request. Following the clarity and refinement you provided in relation to your request, we are now able to make the information available to you.

However, as advised to you (on the phone) by the property on 23<sup>rd</sup> August, there are four large reports consisting of a Remediation Strategy dated December 2002, and three on Remediation works dated April 2003, which are only available in hard copy. It therefore would be more practical to meet in person with the to go through the reports and define what parts would be most helpful to you. Following the meeting, we would be happy to photocopy the specific elements of the reports that you would like and send them to you. I understand that the has agreed to meet with you in Lewes, East Sussex, and will be agreeing a mutually suitable date and time for this meeting shortly.

