

NATIONAL QUALITY MARK SCHEME FOR LAND AFFECTED BY CONTAMINATION



OPEN CONSULTATION MARCH 2015

Introduction

The proposed National Quality Mark Scheme for Land affected by Contamination (QMLC) (www.claire.co.uk/gmlc) is a scheme that has been developed by the Land Forum to provide visible identification of documents that have been checked for quality by a Suitably Qualified and experienced Person (SQP). It is hoped that this will provide increased confidence and improved quality of submissions made under regulatory regimes, particularly planning applications, related to previously used land.

Through endorsement by the Land Forum and through joint ownership by Land Forum members the scheme can be considered to have support and acceptance across the community and to be nationally recognised.

The initiative is supported in principle by the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) and the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA). A positive response has also been received from individual devolved administrations.

The scheme is intended to be launched in Autumn 2015.

For further details on the proposed QMLC, including the objectives and benefits of the scheme, details on the role of the SQP, how the scheme would be administered and frequently asked questions follow the link:

www.claire.co.uk/gmlc-scheme

Consultation

To gather stakeholders feedback on the QMLC, the Land Forum are undertaking a broad stakeholder consultation across both the public and private sectors who work in planning, development, construction, regulatory and land contamination.

The consultation is open from mid March 2015 until May 15th 2015. After which the results will be reviewed, collated, anonymised and reported in Summer 2015.

To participate in the consultation please follow the link:

www.claire.co.uk/gmlc-consultation

Timetable

March – May 2015	Open consultation and liaison with stakeholders
May – June 2015	Review of consultation responses and final scheme development
Autumn 2015	Scheme launch

Enquiries

For any enquiries relating to this consultation:

Please contact:

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Land Forum Participating Organisations

AGS



BLRS



CIEH



CIWEM



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CLG



DEFRA



EA



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EPUK



Geol Soc



HBF



HCA



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IEMA



Land Trust



Local Authority Contaminated Land Regulators

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Northern Ireland Government



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