



**Canal &
River Trust**

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Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council
Sandwell Council House
PO Box 2374
Oldbury
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Your Ref DC/21/66208

Our Ref CRTR-PLAN-2022-35311

Thursday 3 March 2022

Dear Mr Carl Mercer,

Proposal: Additional info - Proposed remediation works including re-profiling of site, installing cap above underlying waste material to uplift site by 1.4m, with new sub-surface cut off boundary wall along eastern boundary and landscaping.

Location: Land Adjacent Former Sportsground (The Gower Tip), Lower City Road, Tividale, Oldbury

Waterway: Old Mainline

Thank you for your consultation.

We are the charity who look after and bring to life 2000 miles of canals & rivers. Our waterways contribute to the health and wellbeing of local communities and economies, creating attractive and connected places to live, work, volunteer and spend leisure time. These historic, natural and cultural assets form part of the strategic and local green-blue infrastructure network, linking urban and rural communities as well as habitats. By caring for our waterways and promoting their use we believe we can improve the wellbeing of our nation. The Trust is a statutory consultee in the Development Management process.

Based on the additional information submitted we have the following general advice:

The additional information provided has been very useful in addressing the points raised previously in relation to the canal boundary, surface water drainage and the former canal basins. The detail sufficiently demonstrates that the impacts on the canal have been considered and that overall, the works could be carried out without adversely impacting on the stability, water quality, biodiversity or safety of waterway users.

It should however be ensured that the works are carried out in accordance with the details submitted, this matter could be addressed by conditions. In addition, the submission of a detailed CEMP and landscaping proposals should also be required by conditions and the Trust wish to be consulted on these details when available.

If the Council is minded to grant planning permission, the Trust request that the following informative is attached to any decision notice:

- 1) *The applicant/developer is advised to contact [REDACTED] Works Engineering Team on [REDACTED] in order to ensure that any necessary consents are obtained and*

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that the works comply with the Canal & River Trust "Code of Practice for Works affecting the Canal & River Trust.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries you may have.

Yours sincerely,

 MRTPI
Area Planner



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