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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 27 December 2017 requesting the following information:

"My Enquiry concerns Carlett Park Petrol Storage Depot. First let me introduce myself and who I represent, name is [REDACTED]. I am Captain of Eastham Lodge Golf Club. This golf Club borders Eastham Petrol Storage Depot. It is our intention to build housing on an area of our land. The Preplanning application we submitted highlighted a restriction due to Hazardous Substance on your site. I was advised by the HSE to contact you, as owners of the land, as to whether the hazardous substance consent for this major hazard installation is still required? I realise the consent is issued by the local council, but can you tell me the if the site as a storage facility is still in operation, also if not in use what is the future of the site. I could use this information when I discuss the restriction with the council. If you are not the owner of this site, having sold it on, could you provide me with the contact details of the new owners? If you have rented the site out, the same please."

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence (MOD) and I can confirm that all the information in scope of your request is held. The information you have requested can be found below.

- 1) Whether the hazardous substance consent for this major hazard installation is still required?

This is not required.

- 2) If the site as a storage facility is still in operation?

Carlett Park has not been operational as a Petroleum Storage Depot for a considerable number of years (since the late 1950s). The site is owned by the MOD and was formerly part of the former Government Pipeline and Storage System (GPSS). Within the site there is a former GPSS pipeline owned and operated by CLH-PS Ltd and pipelines owned by Shell and ESSAR.

3) What is the future of the site?

The MOD are currently in the process of disposing of the site.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

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Yours sincerely,

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