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# Air Quality and Dust Monitoring Monthly Report - October 2023

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### **Monthly Summary**

- 1.1.1 This Summary Report is published in fulfilment of commitments detailed in the High Speed Rail (London-West Midlands) Environmental Minimum Requirements, Annex 1: Code of Construction Practice, for the nominated undertaker to present the results of air quality and dust monitoring undertaken in Lichfield District Council (LDC) during October 2023.
- 1.1.2 Figure 1 in Appendix A presents the current worksites together with the dust monitoring locations.
- 1.1.3 This summary should be read in conjunction with the overview monitoring report monthly available from <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/monitoring-the-environmental-effects-of-hs2">www.gov.uk/government/collections/monitoring-the-environmental-effects-of-hs2</a>, which highlights: the applicable standards and guidance, as well as the air quality and dust monitoring methodologies to be implemented by nominated undertakers throughout construction.
- 1.1.4 The current worksites, as presented in Appendix A, Figure 1, include:

#### Shaw Lane Embankment and Underbridge (Sublot 8.2)

• Grass strimming (using tractor with flail).

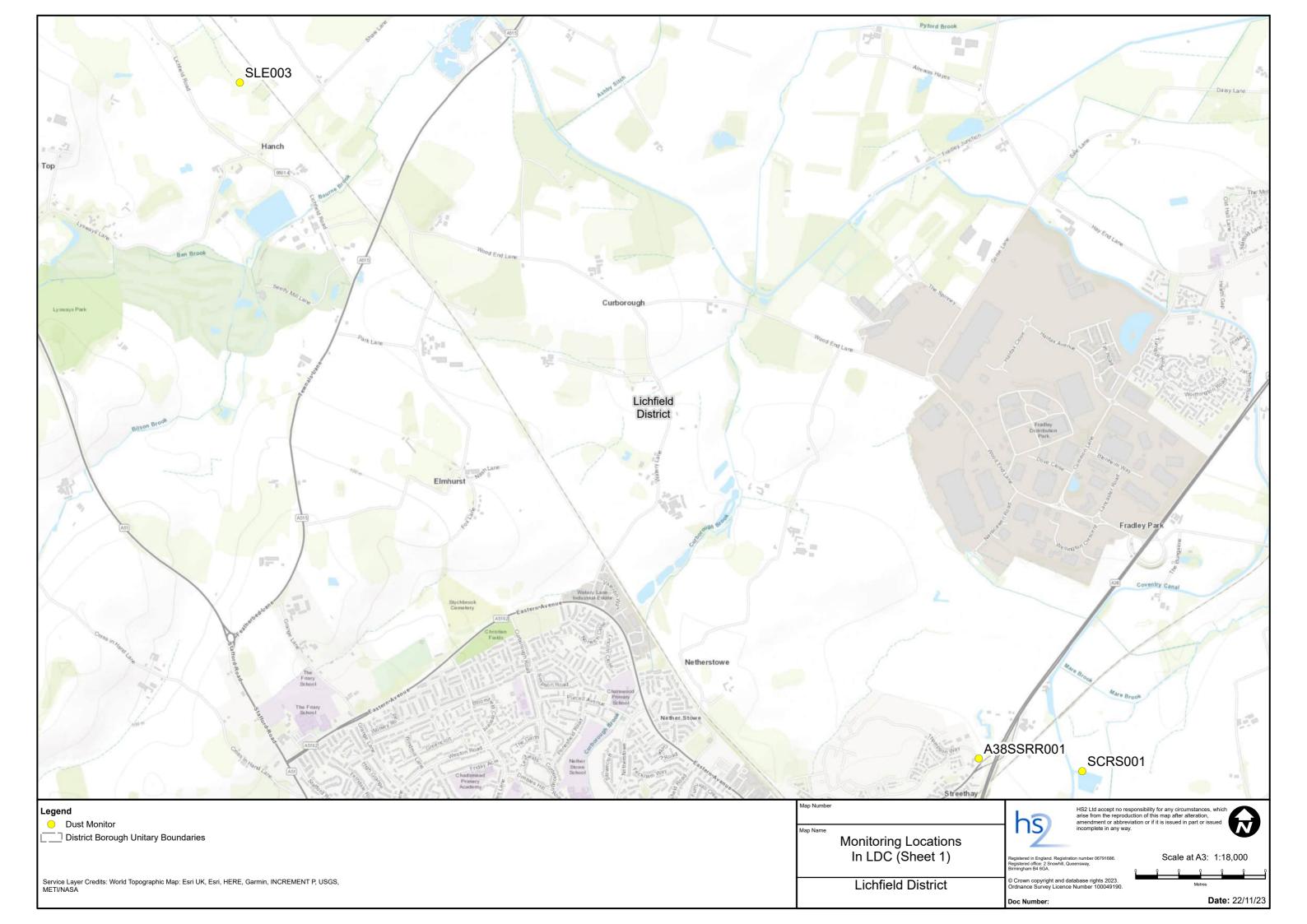
#### **Streethay Cutting Retaining Structure (Sublot 8.3)**

- Capping beam and propping beam construction.
- Pile Breakdown.
- Mass excavation.
- Batter trimming.
- Drainage improvements.
- Construction deliveries and offloading.
- Material stockpiling and exporting.
- Drainage Improvements.
- Concrete brakout.
- · Aggregates Deliveries.
- Crane Pad Construction.
- Class 7 Material Export.
- Devegging, stone spreading, post knocking, compaction.
- Earthworks trench digging.
- Site Monitoring and snagging.
- 1.1.5 Three (3) dust monitors are installed around these worksites, where works are underway. These sites returned a low dust risk rating.

- 1.1.6 Dust monitoring locations and results are presented in Appendix B, Table 1, together with line charts of monthly data from the dust monitors presented in Figure 2. All continuous dust monitoring is undertaken using indicative monitors. Despite being Environment Agency (MCERTS) certified, indicative monitors carry a higher level of uncertainty than reference monitors, and therefore cannot be strictly compared with Air Quality Standards for human health and the environment. The purpose of the monitoring undertaken is to ensure the effectiveness of the on-site mitigation.
- 1.1.7 The trigger level for PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations of 190 μg/m<sup>3</sup>, over a 1-hour period, in accordance with the updated guidance document '*Guidance on Monitoring in the Vicinity of Demolition and Construction Sites (October 2018)* has been applied.
- 1.1.8 Monitor SLE001 was decommissioned on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023 due to a slowdown in works.
- 1.1.9 No (0) dust trigger alerts were recorded during the monitoring period (October 2023).
- 1.1.10 There were no (0) complaints received during the reporting period (October 2023).

## **Appendix A – Worksites and Monitoring Locations**

Figure 1: Worksites and Monitoring Locations within LDC



## **Appendix B - Dust Monitoring Results**

Table 1: Dust Monitoring Locations and Results

| Monitoring site ID | Coordinates<br>(X,Y) | Location<br>description   | Dust<br>risk<br>rating<br>for<br>site | Monitoring site active during period | Change<br>to site<br>since<br>previous<br>period<br>report | Mean 1-hour<br>PM <sub>10</sub><br>concentration<br>(μg/m³) | Minimum 1-<br>hour PM <sub>10</sub><br>concentration<br>(μg/m³) | Maximum 1-<br>hour PM <sub>10</sub><br>concentration<br>(μg/m³) | Number of<br>1- hour<br>periods<br>exceeding<br>trigger level<br>of 190 µg/m³ | Data capture<br>for Month<br>(%) |
|--------------------|----------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|----------------------------------|
| SLE003             | 410041,<br>314481    | New Lane Produce<br>South, Shaw Lane<br>Embankment                    | L                                     | Yes                                  | No   | 5.8   | 0.1   | 21.2  | 0   | 99.9                             |
| SCRS001            | 414913,<br>310498    | Streethay Cutting<br>Retaining<br>Structure, King's<br>Orchard Marina | L                                     | Yes                                  | No   | 7.4   | 0.1   | 112.7   | 0   | 99.6                             |
| A38SSRR001         | 414315,<br>310571    | Thompson Way,<br>Streethay, Fradley<br>and Streethay                  | L                                     | Yes                                  | No   | 7.1   | 0.4   | 25.2  | 0   | 99.9                             |

Figure 2: Construction dust 1-hour mean indicative PM<sub>10</sub> concentration for all dust monitors

