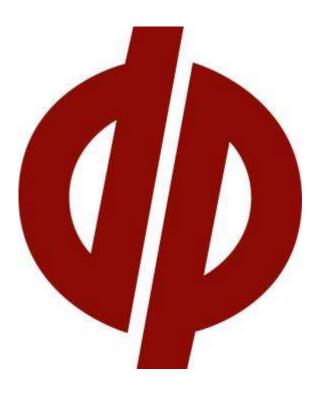


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Executive Summary

Douglas Partners Pty Ltd (DP) was engaged by Western Sydney University to conduct a hazardous building materials (HBM) survey of a nominated area at 74 Rickard Road, as well as a portion of the adjacent property at 375 Chapel Road, Bankstown NSW 2200 (the Site). The survey was undertaken to assess the location, extent and condition of asbestos-containing materials (ACM) and other HBM prior to redevelopment. The survey consisted of a visual inspection across the surface of the site.

HBM were not identified in the nominated area inspected by DP.

Limited or no access was available to certain areas of the site. Inaccessible areas should be assumed to contain HBM unless assessment of these areas by a Competent Person confirms otherwise.

HBM should be managed in accordance with the requirements of the NSW Work Health and Safety (WHS) Act 2011 (WHS Act), NSW WHS Regulation 2017 (WHS Regulation) and relevant Codes of Practice, Australian Standards and guidelines.

HBM should be removed prior to any significant disturbance including from maintenance, refurbishment and demolition work.

Limitations apply to this HBM survey and report as outlined in Section 7.

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Hazardous Building Materials (HBM) Register 74 Rickard Road, Bankstown NSW 2200

1. Introduction

Douglas Partners Pty Ltd (DP) was engaged by Western Sydney University to conduct a hazardous building materials (HBM) survey of a nominated area at 74 Rickard Road, Bankstown NSW 2200 (the Site). The survey was undertaken to assess the location, extent and condition of the following HBM prior to redevelopment:

- Asbestos containing materials (ACM);
- Synthetic mineral fibre (SMF) insulation;
- Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) in fluorescent light fittings;
- Lead paint systems; and
- Lead dust in ceiling cavities (if present).

Notes about this report, and relevant drawings/plans, are contained in Appendix A.

A photographic record was collected during the site inspection and selected photographs are presented in Appendix B.

Limited or no access was available to certain areas as outlined in Section 5 of this report.

2. Site Description

The site is located on the southern side of Rickard Road between Jacobs Street and Chapel Road and comprises an open space predominantly occupied by an asphalt paved car park area with a limited grassed region within the western and southern portion of the site. The site is approximately rectangular shaped and covers an area of about 0.3 ha. At the time of the inspection, there were no buildings present on the site.

It should be noted that the site area includes 74 Rickard Road as well as a portion of 375 Chapel Road as outlined in the attached drawing and/or plans.

Relevant drawings and/or plans are provided in Appendix A and indicate the location and extent of the nominated area surveyed.



3. Survey Method

The survey consisted of a non-intrusive, non-destructive visual inspection of safely accessible areas by a Licensed Asbestos Assessor (Jack Snowden – LAA001244). Inspection excluded all materials below the exposed ground surfaces and hardstand at the site. No samples were collected for laboratory analysis during the inspection.

4. Asbestos Risk Assessment Method

ACM poses a health risk if asbestos fibres are released to the atmosphere and inhaled. There is also a risk of environmental contamination whenever asbestos is disturbed. The degree of risk associated with any given ACM depends on a range of factors such as the friability, extent, condition, and location/accessibility of the material, the asbestos mineral type(s) present, the nature of site activities and ventilation.

The asbestos risk assessment method employed by DP considers several key factors that influence risk and a numerical score is assigned to each (refer Table 1 below). These scores are then added together to determine an overall risk rating for the ACM (refer Table 2 below). A degree of professional judgement may be applied when determining the final risk rating since it is not practicable to include in Table 1 all risk factors that may be relevant to a given situation.

Risk assessments for ACM should be reviewed on a regular basis including when:

- The Asbestos Management Plan is reviewed;
- Further asbestos or ACM is identified at the workplace;
- Asbestos is removed, disturbed, sealed, enclosed or undergoes any other change in condition;
- There is evidence that the risk assessment is no longer valid;
- There is evidence that control methods are not effective; or
- A significant change is proposed for the workplace or for work practices or procedures relevant to the risk assessment.

An asbestos risk assessment review is to be conducted at least every 5 years. The review is to be performed by a Competent Person.



Table 1: Key Risk Factors

Risk Factor	Score	Description
	0	Non-friable (fibre reinforced vinyls, bituminous materials, adhesives)
	1	Non-Friable (fibre reinforced cement products such as wall and roof sheeting)
Friability	2	Semi-Friable (low density insulation board, millboard, ropes, paper, textiles, gaskets or highly weathered asbestos cement)
	3	Friable (thermal insulation to pipes/boilers, sprayed insulation, loose fill insulation)
	0	Very Good. Very little or no visible indication of damage. Structurally sound. No significant repairs required. Material performs as intended.
	1	Good - Minor damage in small, localised areas. Structurally sound. Minor preventative action may be required as a precaution and/or to prolong material life. Material generally performs as intended.
Condition	2	Fair. Localised damage in various areas. Material is generally structurally sound however local removal and replacement of damaged sections may be required. Material performance may be somewhat impaired in areas.
	3	Poor. Material exhibits significant damage throughout. Overall structural stability may be compromised. Material performance is significantly impaired.
	0	Fully enclosed, encapsulated or sealed. ACM is entirely contained and the enclosure/encapsulation/sealing material is in good condition.
Treatment	1	Generally enclosed, encapsulated or sealed. ACM is generally contained however enclosure/encapsulation/sealing material may not be completely continuous or exhibits minor damage/penetrations.
Treatment	2	Partially enclosed, encapsulated or sealed. ACM is contained in area(s) however enclosure/encapsulation/sealing material is not present, significantly damaged or ineffective in area(s).
	3	Enclosure/encapsulation/sealing material is significantly damaged and/or generally ineffective or there is no treatment.
	0	The ACM is not directly accessible to occupants. Contact is highly unlikely unless a significant, dedicated effort is made. Substantial demolition, dismantling and/or special access equipment would be required.
Accessibility	1	The ACM is generally not accessible to occupants. Contact is unlikely but could be made with special tools or equipment (e.g. elevating work platform) or minor demolition/dismantling.
	2	Some portion(s) of ACM are accessible to occupants. Direct contact may occur periodically but often requires basic tools/equipment (e.g. step ladder).
	3	The majority of the ACM is accessible to occupants. Direct contact is a common occurrence and may be made with minimal or no effort.
	0	Area generally not occupied. Normally very little or no activity. Activities may be highly restricted or area secured. Examples may include subfloor voids, ceiling cavities, confined spaces and other inaccessible areas.
Activity	1	Low level occupancy. Some activity in parts or area only occupied periodically. Examples may include plant rooms and store rooms.
Activity	2	Moderate level occupancy. Activity normally present throughout area. May include offices, laboratories, classrooms, workshops, and warehouses.
	3	High level occupancy. Generally high levels of activity. Activities may be wide-ranging and/or largely unrestricted. Examples may include production/manufacturing areas, construction sites and public areas/thoroughfares.
	0	Exterior area where natural ventilation and associated dilution is largely unlimited. Significant retention and/or build-up of airborne contaminants is unlikely.
Ventilation	1	Interior area. Natural ventilation and dilution is limited but area is not particularly confined. Limited retention and/or build-up of airborne contaminants is possible.
ventilation	2	Confined areas where ventilation and associated dilution is significantly limited. Significant retention and/or build-up of airborne contaminants is possible or likely.
	3	Asbestos material subject to direct ventilation (e.g. inside an AC system or near a fan or air exhaust) which may result in disturbance and/or elevated fibre concentrations in air.



Table 2: Risk Rating

Overall Score	Risk Rating	Description
15-18	High (H)	The ACM poses an elevated and typically unacceptable risk of exposure and/or environmental contamination. Controls should generally be implemented as soon as possible to address the risk. Removal of the whole or part of the ACM is typically required. Other controls such as enclosure, encapsulation and/or sealing may also be necessary if portion(s) of ACM are to remain in place. As an interim measure, access to the area should be appropriately restricted. Air monitoring is often recommended to confirm airborne asbestos concentrations and provide a written record for future reference.
10-14 Moderate (M) Moderate (M) Moderate (M) the life enclosu general		The ACM poses a moderate risk of exposure and/or environmental contamination. Often there has been minor damage or there is potential for disturbance/degradation in the foreseeable future. Consideration should be given to implementing appropriate controls in the short to medium term to address the risk(s) and/or prolong the lifespan of the material. Relevant controls typically include enclosure, encapsulation and/or sealing. Extensive removal is generally not required and the material can generally be managed on site if desired and serving a useful purpose.
0-9	Low (L)	The risk of exposure and environmental contamination is generally low while the material remains undisturbed and in its present condition. The material may generally remain in place without the requirement for significant, material-specific control measures such as removal, enclosure, encapsulation or sealing.

Note: If the ACM is likely to be disturbed (e.g. by maintenance, refurbishment or demolition work) and/or is no longer serving a useful purpose then the ACM should generally be removed. All ACM should be clearly identified with a label where reasonably practicable.



5. Results

No HBM were identified during visual inspection of the nominated area at the Site. Limited or no access was available to certain areas as outlined in Table 3 below.

Table 3: Access Limitations

Location / Area	Access Type	Reason(s)
Beneath asphalt/concrete hardstand and exposed ground surfaces	Nil	Excluded from the scope of this assessment. Assessment requires intrusive/destructive investigation methods.

6. Recommendations

The general recommendations in Section 6.1 onwards are provided for informative purposes and should be considered where the relevant HBM has been identified or assumed present by DP or is subsequently suspected to be present based on reasonable grounds.

The presence of identified and assumed HBM at the site, and the potential presence of any as-yet undetected HBM, should be considered during the risk assessment for any proposed work at the site or site use. Additional targeted inspection, sampling and analysis for HBM should be considered prior to any work that may result in the disturbance of such HBM.

6.1 General

HBM should be managed in accordance with the requirements of the WHS Act, WHS Regulation and subordinate Codes of Practice, Australian Standards and guidelines.

A hazardous materials management plan should be developed to aid compliance with the requirements of the WHS Act and Regulation including those that relate to the identification of hazards and control of associated risks.

HBM should be visually inspected on a regular basis. Any change to the condition of the material or relevant site conditions should be reported.

HBM should be removed prior to any significant disturbance such as maintenance, refurbishment and demolition work.

Prior to any work involving hazardous materials a risk assessment should be conducted and Safe Work Method Statement (SWMS) developed. The SWMS should outline the controls necessary to ensure that the risk of exposure to the hazardous materials is adequately controlled.

Hazardous materials remediation and removal work should be undertaken in controlled conditions.

Waste should be assessed and classified for disposal in accordance with the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) *Waste Classification Guidelines, Part 1: Classifying Waste*, November 2014 (EPA, 2014).

At the completion of hazardous material remediation and removal work a clearance inspection should be conducted by a Competent Person, or in the case of friable asbestos, by a Licensed Asbestos Assessor.

6.2 Asbestos-containing Material (ACM)

ACM must be managed in accordance the WHS Regulation, the SafeWork NSW Code of Practice: How to Manage and Control Asbestos in the Workplace, 2016 and the SafeWork NSW Code of Practice: How to Safely Remove Asbestos, 2016.

Exposure to airborne asbestos in the workplace must be eliminated to the extent that is reasonably practicable. If it is not reasonably practicable to eliminate exposure it must be minimised to the extent that is reasonably practicable.

An Asbestos Management Plan must be developed to enable compliance with the WHS Regulation (Regulation 429).

The presence and location of asbestos or ACM identified at a workplace must be clearly indicated by a label if it is reasonably practicable to do so.

Warning labels and signs should be consistent with the examples provided in the SafeWork NSW *Code of Practice: How to Manage and Control Asbestos in the Workplace, 2016* and comply with AS1319 Safety Signs for the Occupational Environment.

Non-friable ACM that are structurally intact and in good to fair condition may typically remain in place provided they are not significantly disturbed.

Tools and equipment that generate dust must generally not be used on asbestos. These include highspeed abrasive power and pneumatic tools (e.g. angle grinders, sanders, saws and high-speed drills, brooms and brushes).

Tools and equipment that cause the release of asbestos, including power tools and brooms, may only be used on asbestos if the equipment is enclosed and/or designed to capture or suppress asbestos fibres and/or the equipment is used in a way that is designed to capture or suppress asbestos fibres safely. In such a case, other controls including PPE may also be required based upon the results of a pre-work risk assessment and the SWMS adopted.

The use of high-pressure water spray and compressed air on asbestos or ACM is specifically prohibited under the WHS Regulation.

If ACM become damaged they should be repaired or removed and replaced with an alternative, nonasbestos building product as soon as possible.



The scope of asbestos removal work should be outlined in a technical specification (i.e. Scope of Work Report) developed by a Competent Person (in the case of non-friable asbestos) or a Licensed Asbestos Assessor (in the case of friable asbestos).

Removal of friable asbestos must only be undertaken by a Class A licensed asbestos removal Contractor.

Removal of 10 m² or more of non-friable asbestos must only be undertaken by a Class A or Class B licensed asbestos removal contractor.

Air monitoring is required during removal of friable asbestos. Air monitoring should also be considered during removal of non-friable asbestos particularly where sensitive receptors exist such as at schools, hospitals and similar sites.

Air monitoring must be undertaken in accordance with the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission (NOHSC) *Guidance Note on the Membrane Filter Method for Estimating Airborne Asbestos Fibres, 2nd Edition* [NOHSC:3003(2005)].

All air monitoring samples must be analysed by a NATA accredited laboratory that holds accreditation for the required analysis.

At the completion of asbestos removal a clearance inspection must be conducted by a Competent Person (for non-friable asbestos removal) or a Licensed Asbestos Assessor (for friable asbestos removal).

Air monitoring and clearance inspections must be performed by person/s independent of the asbestos removal contractor.

All waste should be classified for disposal in accordance with the EPA (2014). Asbestos waste is preclassified as Special Waste under these guidelines.

Asbestos transporters and facilities receiving asbestos waste must report the movement of asbestos waste to the EPA. Entities involved with the transport or disposal of asbestos waste in NSW, or arranging the transport of asbestos waste in NSW, must use the EPA's online tool, WasteLocate.

All asbestos waste must be disposed at a waste collection facility licensed to receive asbestos waste. All disposal receipts should be retained.

A person who relinquishes management or control of the workplace must ensure that the Asbestos Register is given to the person, if any, assuming management or control of the workplace.

6.3 Synthetic Mineral Fibre (SMF)

SMF materials may generally remain in place providing that they are in good condition and unlikely to be disturbed.

To reduce the potential for disturbance, exposure and environmental contamination SMF materials may be encapsulated or enclosed. Higher risk materials, such as loose fill insulation, may also be removed and replaced.

SMF work is to be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the WHS Regulation and subordinate Codes of Practice, Guidance Notes and other documents. These include:

- WorkCover NSW Safe management of synthetic mineral fibres (SMF) glasswool and rockwool; and
- Safe Work Australia Guide to Handling Refractory Ceramic Fibres, December 2013; and
- Guidance Note on the Membrane Filter Method for the Estimation of Airborne Synthetic Mineral Fibres [NOHSC:3006(1989)].

Relevant information may also be found in the Australian Institute of Occupational Hygienists (AIOH) *Synthetic Mineral Fibres (SMF) And Occupational Health Issues, Position Paper*, October 2011 (reformatted January 2018).

Where reasonable concern exists over possible respirable fibre concentrations in any application, the first step is often to confirm that the work practices, as recommended for the particular product, are being followed. Air monitoring may not be required when it has been clearly established that appropriate work practices are being carried out.

Notwithstanding the above, exposures should not exceed the relevant SWA exposure standards outlined in Table 4 below.

Standard Name	Time Weighted Average (TWA) Exposure Standard
Glass wool, rock (stone) wool, slag wool and continuous glass filament and low biopersistence Man Made Vitreous Fibres (MMVF)	2 mg/m³ (inhalable dust)
Refractory ceramic fibres (RCF), special purpose glass fibres and high biopersistence MMVF	0.5 f/mL (respirable) 2 mg/m ³ (inhalable dust)

Table 4: SWA Exposure Standards for SMF

SMF waste should be disposed at a licensed waste collection facility. Synthetic fibre waste (from materials such as fibreglass, polyesters and other plastics) packaged securely to prevent dust emissions is pre-classified as General Solid Waste (non-putrescible) under EPA (2014).

All disposal receipts should be retained.

6.4 Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)

Prior to any significant disturbance, such as demolition, refurbishment or maintenance works, fluorescent light fittings should be electrically isolated and inspected in detail for metal canister-type



capacitors that may contain PCB's. Any capacitors containing or suspected to contain PCB should be removed by a suitably qualified and experienced contractor.

PCB containing capacitors should be managed in accordance with the general requirements of the WHS Regulation and the:

- Environmentally Hazardous Chemicals (EHC) Act 2008 and subordinate *Polychlorinated Biphenyl* (*PCB*) *Chemical Control Order 1997*; and
- *Polychlorinated Biphenyls Management Plan, Revised Edition, April 2003*, issued by the Environment Protection and Heritage Council (EPHC).

Any PCB containing capacitors that exhibit leakage should be removed and replaced by a suitably qualified and experienced contractor as soon as possible. Access to areas containing leaking capacitors should be suitably restricted.

The conveyance and disposal of PCB material and PCB waste is subject to special requirements outlined in the *Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Chemical Control Order* 1997.

All disposal receipts should be retained.

6.5 Lead Paint

The potential presence of lead paint(s) at the Site should be considered during the risk assessment for any proposed works. Additional, targeted sampling and analysis for lead paints should be considered prior to any work that may result in significant disturbance of paint system(s).

Lead paints should be managed in accordance with the WHS Regulation including (including Chapter 7, Part 7.2 Lead) and:

- AS4361.1 2017, Guide to hazardous paint management Lead and other hazardous metallic pigments in industrial applications; and
- AS4361.2 2017, Guide to hazardous paint management Lead paint in residential, public and commercial buildings.

In accordance with AS4361.1 – 2017:

- When one or more tests from a building or portion of a building indicate that lead is present, the paint should be treated as lead paint; and
- A project should not be classified as free of lead, unless all samples within the area are proven to be free of lead

Lead paint that is in sound condition, not directly accessible (e.g. over-painted with lead-free paint) and unlikely to be disturbed may not require any immediate action.

Area(s) of lead paint that are in poor condition (e.g. flaking, delaminating) should generally be removed along with any lead paint debris and associated dust.



Exposed area(s) of lead paint that are intact may be stabilised by over-painting with a lead-free paint, or by covering with a suitable encapsulant. Stabilisation can provide an interim to long-term solution to a lead paint hazard.

The lead paint removal method and control measures adopted should be determined by risk assessment and a detailed knowledge of the workplace and proposed use/activities.

Exposure to airborne lead must be maintained below the relevant SWA exposure standards pertaining to lead. The SWA 8 hour TWA exposure standard for lead (inorganic dusts and fumes) is 0.05 mg/m³. Other exposure standards apply for substances such as lead chromate.

Air monitoring for lead may be required during lead paint remediation works based on risk assessment and the requirements to maintain airborne lead levels below the abovementioned exposure standards.

At the completion of lead paint removal a clearance inspection should be conducted by a Competent Person. The Competent Person should determine the requirements for clearance including any air monitoring or sample analysis that may be required.

Lead paint waste should be assessed and classified for disposal in accordance with EPA (2014):

- Waste contaminated with lead (including lead paint waste) from residential premises or educational or child care institutions is pre-classified as general solid waste (non-putrescible); and
- Lead paint waste arising otherwise than from residential premises or educational or child care institutions is pre-classified as hazardous waste.

Based on correspondence with the NSW EPA DP understands that EPA (2014) does not take into account AS4361.1 – 2017 or AS4361.2 – 2017, including the definition of lead paint therein, for waste classification assessment. As such, these standards have no bearing on how waste is classified in NSW.

All disposal receipts should be retained.

6.6 Lead Dust

Laboratory analysis results for lead dust should be taken as approximate only since sampling is limited and the concentration of lead in dust may vary considerably between locations within the same general area.

No recognised Australian guidelines have been identified for the direct assessment of lead dust concentrations in ceiling cavities. Notwithstanding this, AS4361.2-1998 *Guide to Lead Paint Management, Part 2: Residential and Commercial Buildings* (superseded) outlined acceptance limits for lead in surface dust after lead paint management activities. These limits were:

- Interior floors: 1 mg/m² (as lead).
- Interior window sills: 5 mg/m² (as lead); and
- Exterior surfaces: 8 mg/m² (as lead).



The United States Environmental Protection Authority (US EPA) 40 CFR Part 745 *Lead; Identification of Dangerous Levels of Lead; Final Rule* establishes the following standards for lead hazard identification:

- Floors 40 µg/ft² (~0.43 mg/m²) lead; and
- Interior Window sills 250 µg/ft² (~2.7 mg/m²) lead.

The above acceptance limits may be used as a guide to assessing lead concentrations in settled dust. As a precaution a lead concentration of 0.5 mg/m² may be used by DP to identify potential hazardous conditions.

Where the concentration of lead in dust exceeds acceptance limits then appropriate control and/or remedial measures may need to be identified via risk assessment based on a detailed knowledge of the workplace and proposed use/activities.

Where ceiling spaces and similar cavities are effectively enclosed, and provide very limited or no opportunity for lead dust to enter occupied areas, the dust may typically remain in place. In such a case access to the cavities should be suitably restricted and all entrances signposted with appropriate warning signs.

Any personnel required to enter building cavities or other areas containing elevated concentrations of lead in dust should undertake an appropriate risk assessment and develop a Safe Work Method Statement (SWMS) for the work. The SWMS must identify controls that ensure the risk of exposure to lead remains at an acceptable level for the personnel entering the area and for occupants of the building and surrounds.

Consideration should be given to removal of lead containing dust including when:

- There is a significant risk of the lead entering occupied areas; or
- Significant disturbance of lead dust is likely due to maintenance, refurbishment or demolition work or other reason(s); or
- Removal is a reasonably practical means of eliminating the hazard.

Removal of lead dust should be undertaken by a suitably qualified and experienced removal contractor.

The lead dust removal method and control measures adopted should be determined by risk assessment and a detailed knowledge of the workplace and proposed use/activities.

Exposure to airborne lead must be maintained below the relevant SWA exposure standards pertaining to lead. The SWA 8 hour TWA exposure standard for lead (inorganic dusts and fumes) is 0.05 mg/m³.

Air monitoring for lead may be required based on the results of the risk assessment and the requirement to maintain airborne lead concentrations below the abovementioned exposure standard(s).

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At the completion of lead dust removal a clearance inspection should be conducted by a Competent Person. The Competent Person should determine the requirements for clearance including any air monitoring or sample analysis that may be required.

Lead waste should be assessed and classified for disposal in accordance with EPA (2014).

All disposal receipts should be retained.

7. Limitations

Douglas Partners (DP) has prepared this report (or services) for this project at 74 Rickard Road, as well as a portion of the adjacent property at 375 Chapel Road, Bankstown NSW 2200 in accordance with DP's email proposal dated 2 May 2019 and acceptance received from Steve Howes (Archerfield Partners) on 2 May 2019. The work was carried out under DP's Conditions of Engagement. This report is provided for the exclusive use of Western Sydney University for this project only and for the purposes as described in the report. It should not be used by or relied upon for other projects or purposes on the same or other site or by a third party. Any party so relying upon this report beyond its exclusive use and purpose as stated above, and without the express written consent of DP, does so entirely at its own risk and without recourse to DP for any loss or damage. In preparing this report DP has necessarily relied upon information provided by the client and/or their agents.

The results provided in the report are indicative of the conditions on the site only at the specific inspection, sampling and/or testing locations, and then only to the extent practicable and safely accessible at the time the work was carried out. Site conditions may change after DP's field inspection, sampling and testing has been completed.

DP's advice is based upon the conditions encountered during this investigation. The accuracy of the advice provided by DP in this report may be affected by undetected variations in site conditions across the site between and beyond the inspection, sampling and/or testing locations. The advice may also be limited by budget constraints imposed by others or by site accessibility.

This report must be read in conjunction with all of the attached and should be kept in its entirety without separation of individual pages or sections. DP cannot be held responsible for interpretations or conclusions made by others unless they are supported by an expressed statement, interpretation, outcome or conclusion stated in this report.

This report, or sections from this report, should not be used as part of a specification for a project, without review and agreement by DP. This is because this report has been written as advice and opinion rather than instructions for construction.

Although the sampling plan adopted for this investigation is considered appropriate to achieve the stated project objectives, there are necessarily parts of the site that have not been inspected, sampled and/or tested. This is either due to undetected variations in conditions or to budget constraints (as discussed above), or to parts of the site being inaccessible or unavailable, or to occupants, furnishings or stored items preventing access. It is therefore considered possible that HBM, including asbestos, may be present in unobserved or untested parts of the site, between and beyond the inspection, sampling and testing locations, and hence no warranty can be given that all HBM have been identified.



Inspections are limited to areas that are safely accessible at the time of the inspection without undue damage to building finishes or disturbance of occupants. Inspections exclude hidden and inaccessible locations such as within building cavities, voids and enclosed sections of risers/shafts as well as materials encased within the building structure or located below the exposed ground surface (e.g. pipes, drains and formwork). In addition, residual asbestos materials (e.g. asbestos lagging to pipes and vessels) may remain undiscovered below newer, asbestos-free materials (e.g. preformed SMF insulation). Such residual asbestos materials may not be identified without extensive intrusive investigation and/or dismantling/demolition work if at all.

Any disturbance of building materials, such as during renovation, maintenance or demolition work, may reveal additional HBM.

Limitations apply to the laboratory analytical methods used. For example, it can be very difficult or impossible to detect the presence of asbestos in some bulk materials (e.g. vinyl tiles) using the polarised light microscopy analytical method, even after ashing or disintegration of samples. This is due to the small length or diameter of asbestos fibres present in the material, or attributed to the fact that very fine fibres have been dispersed individually throughout the material.

While work is undertaken in a professional manner the nature of HBM and the limitations of the method(s) used mean that we cannot guarantee that all HBM have been identified. This report should therefore not be considered a definitive account of all HBM that may be present at the site.

DP personnel not licenced or accredited quantity surveyors. Any quantities quoted in this report are provided for general guidance only and should not be relied upon. The services of a licenced quantity surveyor should be engaged in order to determine reliable quantities.

The recommendations and conclusions contained in this report shall not abrogate a person of their responsibility to work in accordance with statutory requirements, codes of practice, standards, guidelines, safety data sheets, work instructions or industry best practice.

The contents of this report do not constitute formal design components such as are required, by the Health and Safety Legislation and Regulations, to be included in a Safety Report specifying the hazards likely to be encountered during construction and the controls required to mitigate risk. This design process requires risk assessment to be undertaken, with such assessment being dependent upon factors relating to likelihood of occurrence and consequences of damage to property and to life. This, in turn, requires project data and analysis presently beyond the knowledge and project role respectively of DP. DP may be able, however, to assist the client in carrying out a risk assessment of potential hazards contained in the Comments section of this report, as an extension to the current scope of works, if so requested, and provided that suitable additional information is made available to DP. Any such risk assessment would, however, be necessarily restricted to the environmental components set out in this report and to their application by the project designers to project design, construction, maintenance and demolition.

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Appendix A

About This Report

Drawing



Introduction

These notes have been provided to amplify DP's report in regard to classification methods, field procedures and the comments section. Not all are necessarily relevant to all reports.

DP's reports are based on information gained from limited subsurface excavations and sampling, supplemented by knowledge of local geology and experience. For this reason, they must be regarded as interpretive rather than factual documents, limited to some extent by the scope of information on which they rely.

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Borehole and Test Pit Logs

The borehole and test pit logs presented in this report are an engineering and/or geological interpretation of the subsurface conditions, and their reliability will depend to some extent on frequency of sampling and the method of drilling or excavation. Ideally, continuous undisturbed sampling or core drilling will provide the most reliable assessment, but this is not always practicable or possible to justify on economic grounds. In any case the boreholes and test pits represent only a very small sample of the total subsurface profile.

Interpretation of the information and its application to design and construction should therefore take into account the spacing of boreholes or pits, the frequency of sampling, and the possibility of other than 'straight line' variations between the test locations.

Groundwater

Where groundwater levels are measured in boreholes there are several potential problems, namely:

 In low permeability soils groundwater may enter the hole very slowly or perhaps not at all during the time the hole is left open;

- A localised, perched water table may lead to an erroneous indication of the true water table;
- Water table levels will vary from time to time with seasons or recent weather changes. They may not be the same at the time of construction as are indicated in the report; and
- The use of water or mud as a drilling fluid will mask any groundwater inflow. Water has to be blown out of the hole and drilling mud must first be washed out of the hole if water measurements are to be made.

More reliable measurements can be made by installing standpipes which are read at intervals over several days, or perhaps weeks for low permeability soils. Piezometers, sealed in a particular stratum, may be advisable in low permeability soils or where there may be interference from a perched water table.

Reports

The report has been prepared by qualified personnel, is based on the information obtained from field and laboratory testing, and has been undertaken to current engineering standards of interpretation and analysis. Where the report has been prepared for a specific design proposal, the information and interpretation may not be relevant if the design proposal is changed. If this happens, DP will be pleased to review the report and the sufficiency of the investigation work.

Every care is taken with the report as it relates to interpretation of subsurface conditions, discussion of geotechnical and environmental aspects, and recommendations or suggestions for design and construction. However, DP cannot always anticipate or assume responsibility for:

- Unexpected variations in ground conditions. The potential for this will depend partly on borehole or pit spacing and sampling frequency;
- Changes in policy or interpretations of policy by statutory authorities; or
- The actions of contractors responding to commercial pressures.

If these occur, DP will be pleased to assist with investigations or advice to resolve the matter.

About this Report

Site Anomalies

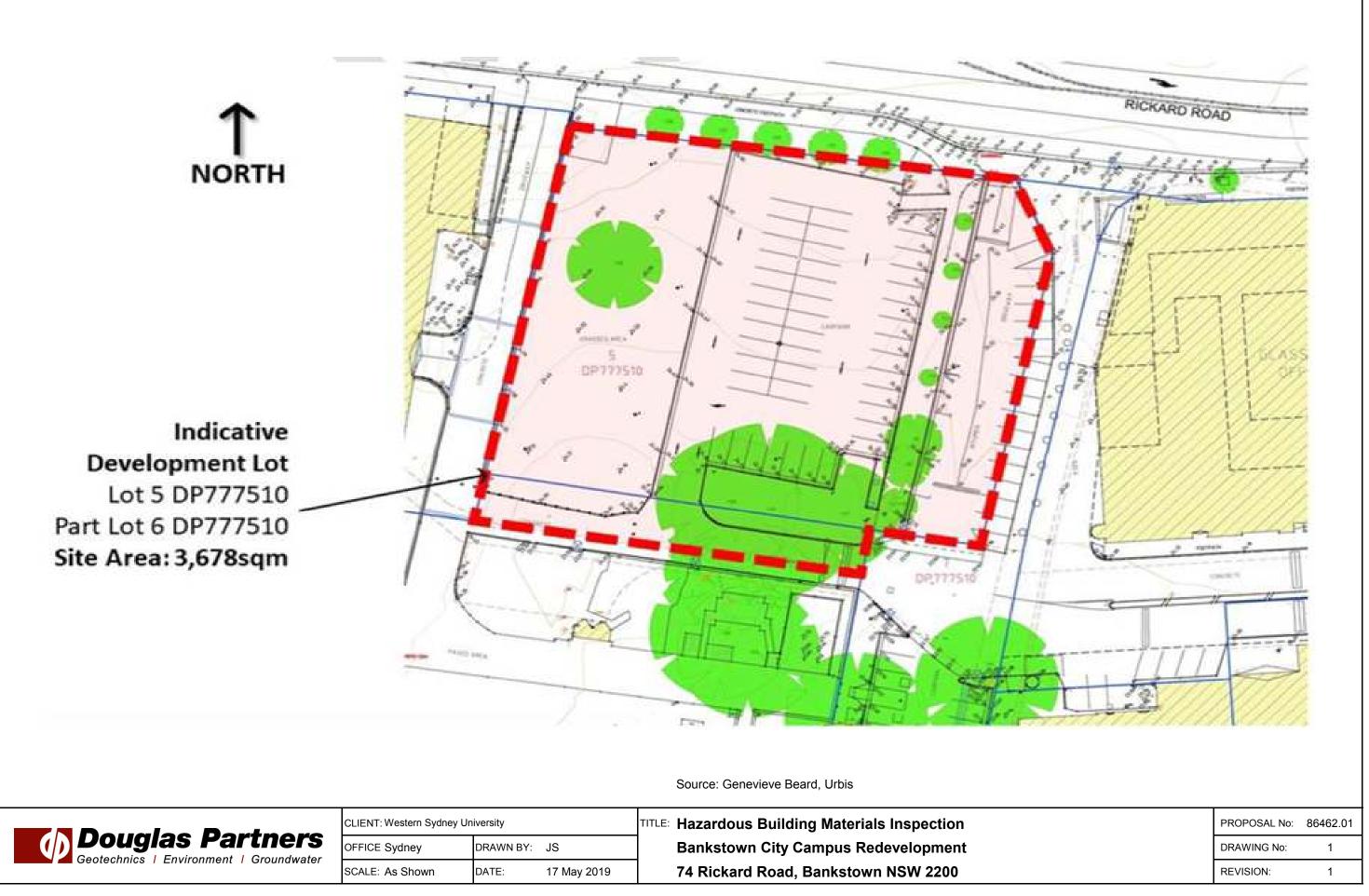
In the event that conditions encountered on site during construction appear to vary from those which were expected from the information contained in the report, DP requests that it be immediately notified. Most problems are much more readily resolved when conditions are exposed rather than at some later stage, well after the event.

Information for Contractual Purposes

Where information obtained from this report is provided for tendering purposes, it is recommended that all information, including the written report and discussion, be made available. In circumstances where the discussion or comments section is not relevant to the contractual situation, it may be appropriate to prepare a specially edited document. DP would be pleased to assist in this regard and/or to make additional report copies available for contract purposes at a nominal charge.

Site Inspection

The company will always be pleased to provide engineering inspection services for geotechnical and environmental aspects of work to which this report is related. This could range from a site visit to confirm that conditions exposed are as expected, to full time engineering presence on site.





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Appendix B

Photographic Plates



Photograph 2 - Site area - looking north

Douglas Partners	Site Photographs	PROJECT:	86462.01
	Bankstown City Campus Development	PLATE No:	1
	74 Rickard Road, Bankstown NSW	REV:	0
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