

Land Quality Inspections Programme – 2015 Inspections

In 2015 we completed inspections at nine sites in County Durham which have been used historically for industrial activity such as gas works, colliery and cokeworks and landfills.

The inspection process

The inspections are completed in two phases:

- Phase One – a visual survey of the area using historical maps which detail former industrial activity. This is completed in order to identify the most relevant areas where further testing may be needed.
- Phase Two – soil samples and where necessary, water samples are gathered to analyse the condition of the land. Air monitoring may also be undertaken.

You can find out more about the inspection process as well as the results of the inspections we carried out in 2015 by clicking on the relevant area below:

South Hetton Centre Landfill

Low Urpeth Colliery and Cokeworks

Former Village Tip, Shildon

Welfare Park Landfill, South Hetton

Brancepeth Colliery and Coke Works

Former Gasworks, Crook

Rough Lea Colliery and Coke Works

Tudhoe Iron Works

West Stanley Colliery and Coke Works

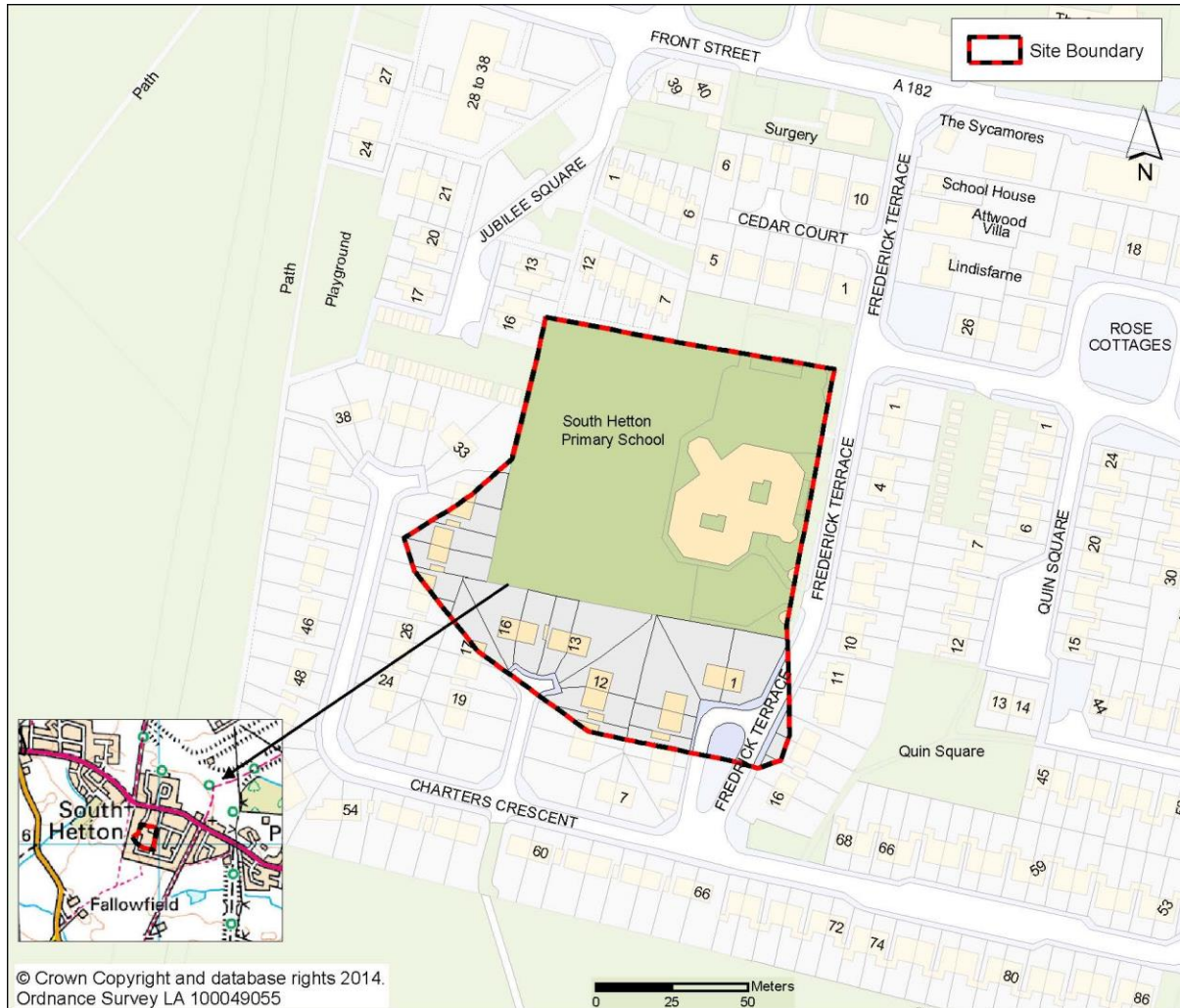
If you would like to know more about the inspections in these areas, please contact the pollution control team on 03000 261 152 or via email at landqualitysurvey@durham.gov.uk

You can also find out information on current inspections taking place by visiting www.durham.gov.uk/landquality

South Hetton Centre Landfill

A land quality inspection was carried out at the South Hetton Centre Landfill area between December 2014 and March 2015.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former landfill site. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from this industrial activity.

Results

The inspection report was received and reviewed in April 2015. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required. The outcome has been reported back to the landowner and school.

Low Urpeth Colliery and Cokeworks

A land quality inspection was carried out at the Low Urpeth Colliery and Cokeworks area in June 2015.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former colliery and cokeworks. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from this industrial activity.

Results

The inspection report was received and reviewed in July 2015. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required.

Former Village Tip, Shildon

A land quality inspection was carried out at the Former Village Tip, Shildon in July 2015.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former landfill site. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from this industrial activity.

Results

The inspection report was received and reviewed in August 2015. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required.

Welfare Park Landfill, South Hetton

A land quality inspection was carried out at the Welfare Park Landfill, South Hetton in July 2015.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former landfill site. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from this industrial activity.

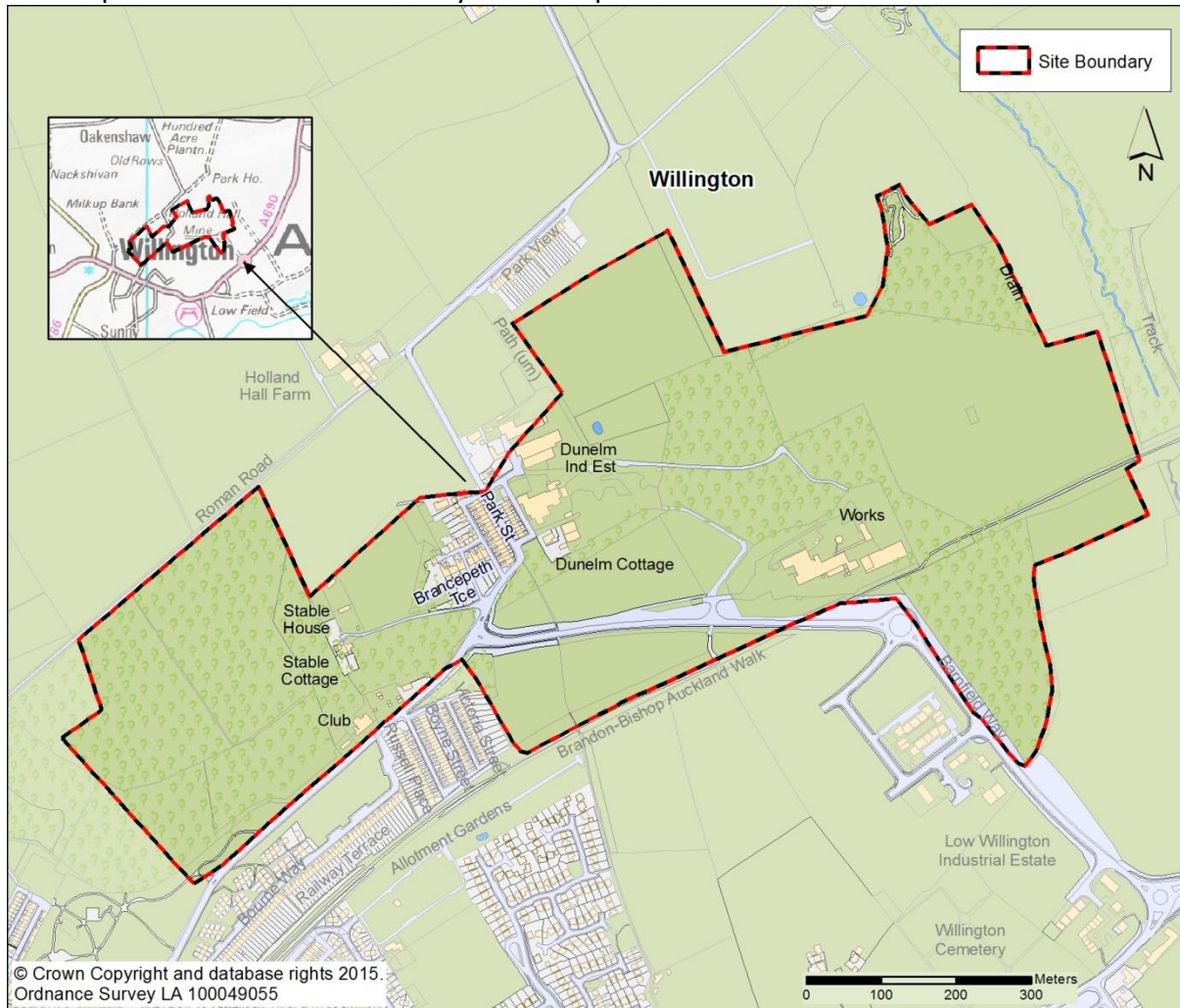
Results

The inspection report was received and reviewed in August 2015. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required.

Brancepeth Colliery and Coke Works

A land quality inspection was carried out at Brancepeth Colliery and Coke Works between June 2015 and March 2016.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former colliery site with associated infrastructure. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from this industrial activity.

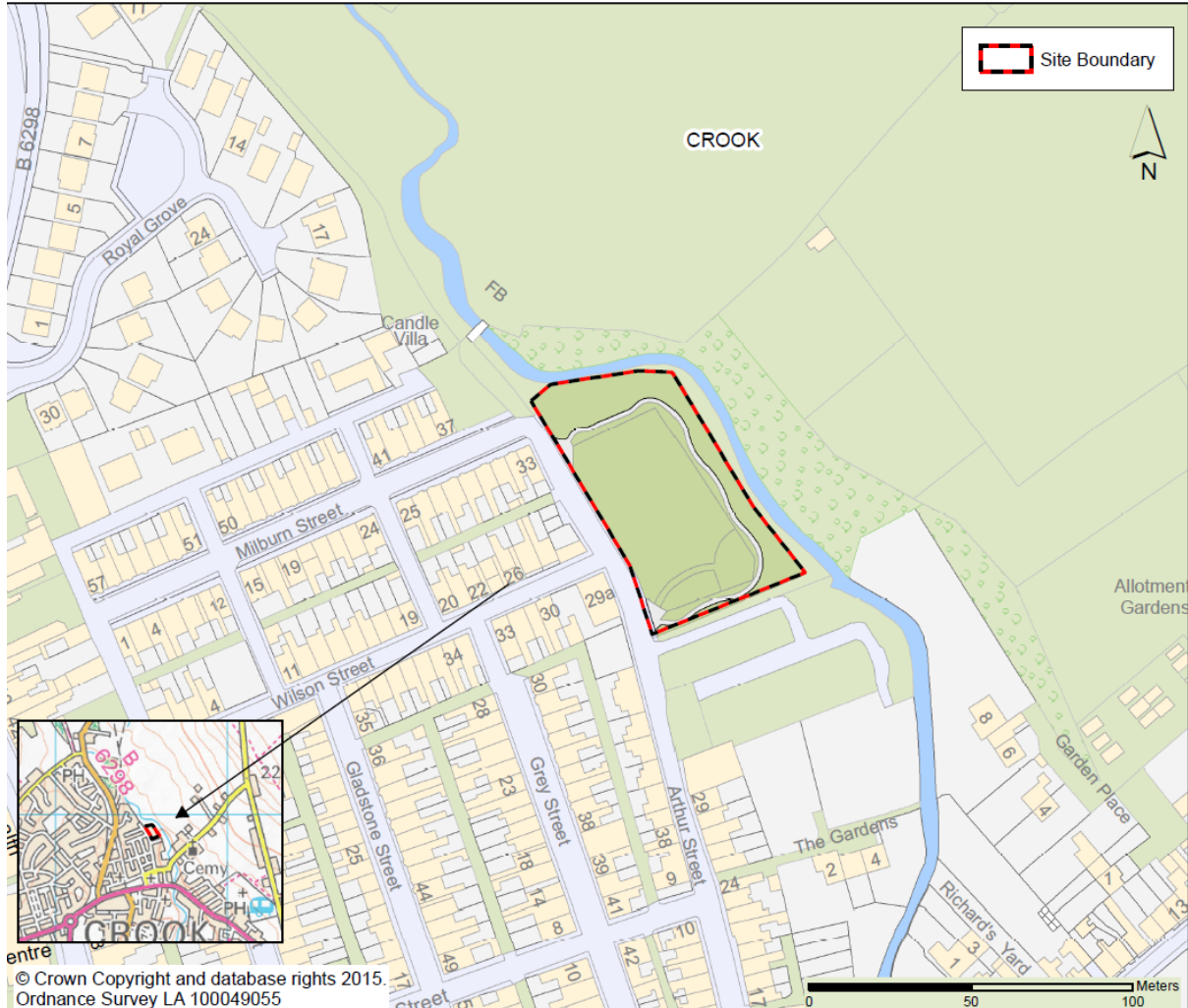
Results

The inspection report was received and reviewed in March 2016. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required. The outcome has been reported back to the landowners and residents where sampling was carried out.

Former Gasworks, Crook

A land quality inspection was carried out at the former Gasworks site between June 2015 and March 2016.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former gasworks. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from this industrial activity.

Results

The inspection report was received and reviewed in March 2016. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required. The outcome has been reported back to the landowner where sampling was carried out.

Rough Lea Colliery and Coke Works

A land quality inspection was carried out at Rough Lea Colliery and Coke Works site between July 2015 and March 2016.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former colliery, coke works and landfill. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from this industrial activity.

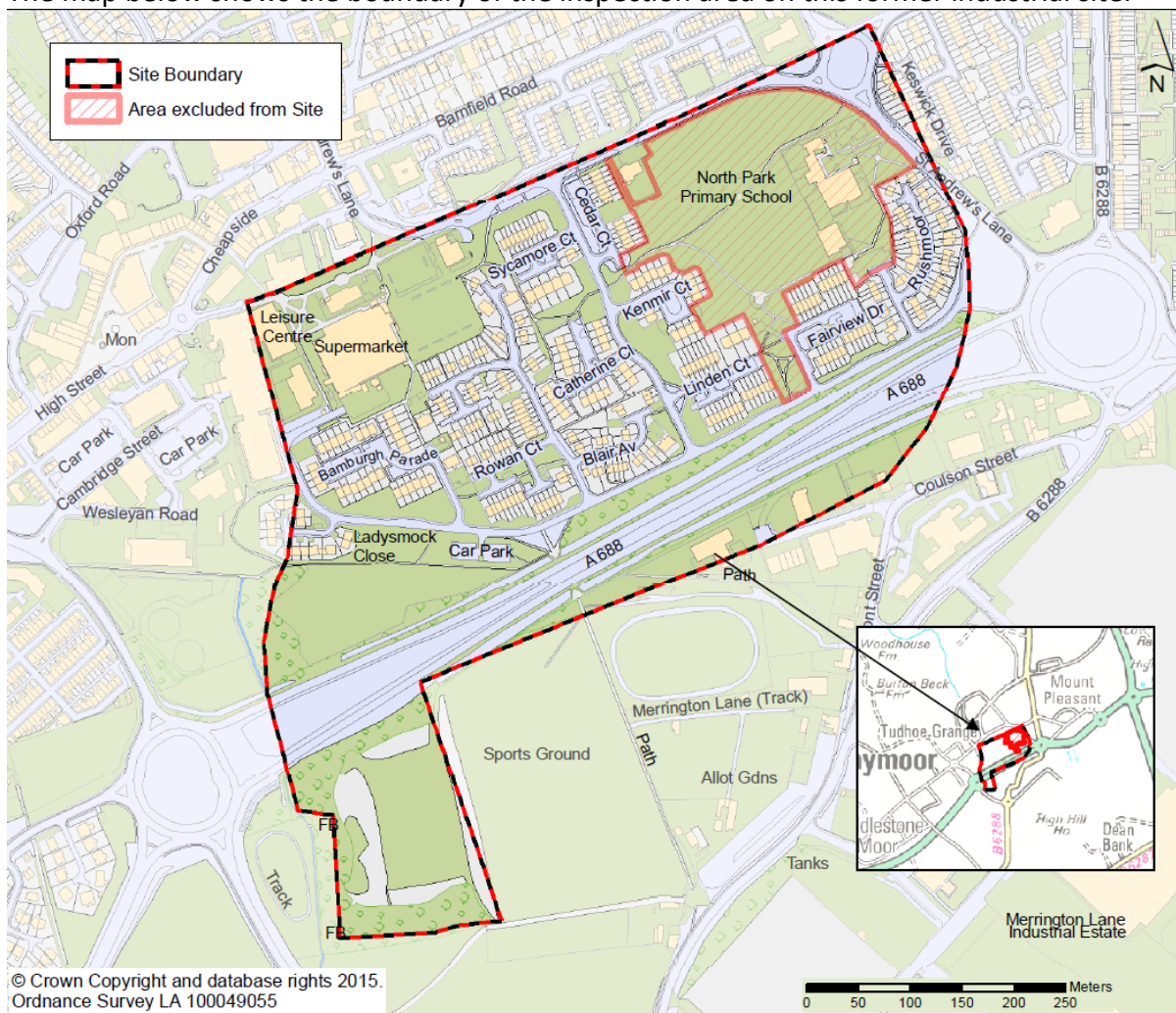
Results

The inspection report was received and reviewed in March 2016. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required. The outcome has been reported back to the landowner where sampling was carried out.

Tudhoe Iron Works

A land quality inspection was carried out at Tudhoe Iron Works site between August 2015 and March 2016.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former iron works. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from this industrial activity.

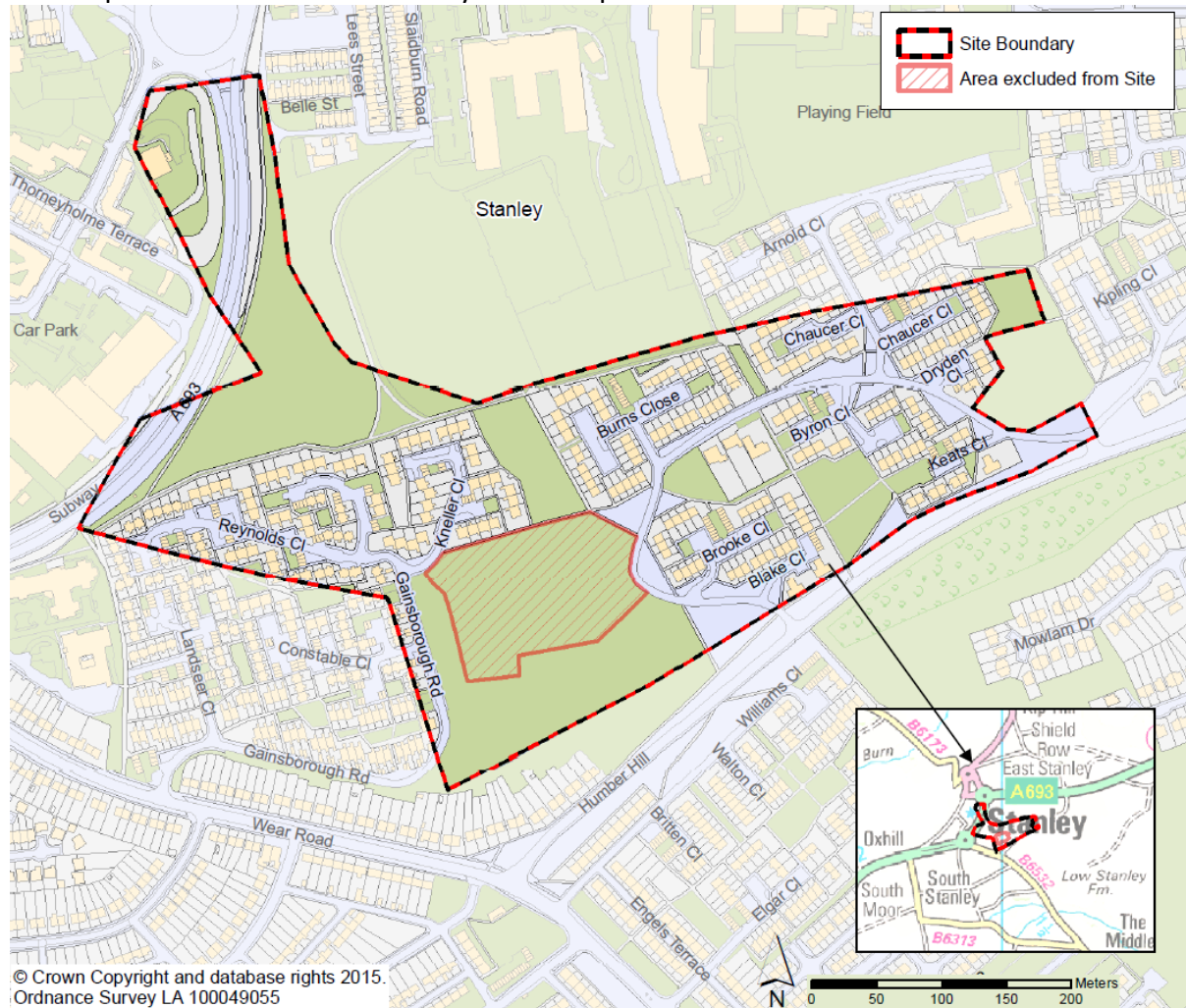
Results

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West Stanley Colliery and Coke Works

A land quality inspection was carried out at West Stanley Colliery and Coke Works site between August 2015 and March 2016.

The map below shows the boundary of the inspection area on this former industrial site.



Why did we inspect this area?

In the past, this area has been the site of a former colliery and coke works. There is a risk that the land may have been contaminated with pollutants from this industrial activity.

Results

The inspection report was received and reviewed in March 2016. The report concluded that in general, there was no concern with the results. We have considered the sub-contractor's recommendations and no further testing is required. The outcome has been reported back to the landowners and residents where sampling was carried out.