



**GroundSure**  
ENVIRONMENTAL INSIGHT

## GroundSure HighSpeed 2



**Address:** 11, HOME FARM  
COURT, INGESTRE, STAFFORD, ST18 0PZ

**Date:** 31 May 2013

**GroundSure Reference:** XP-903451

**Your Reference:** TREVOR

**Grid Reference:** 397933,324848

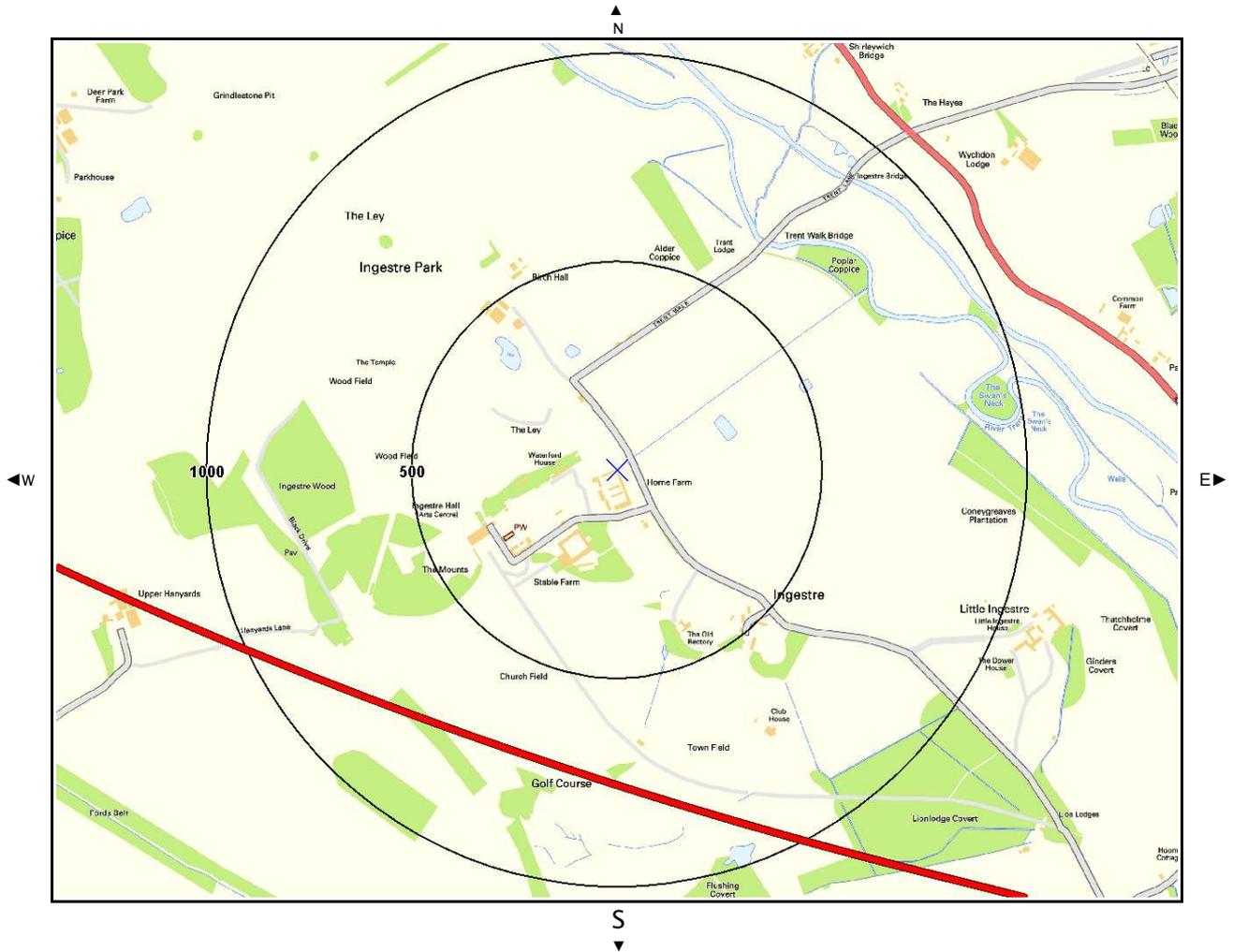


The property is located approximately 718m from the proposed High Speed 2 (HS2) Network railway line. The HS2 will have a maximum operating speed of 249mph at this point. Please see page 2 for further information.



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# HS2 Location Map (within 1km)



HS2 Location Map Legend



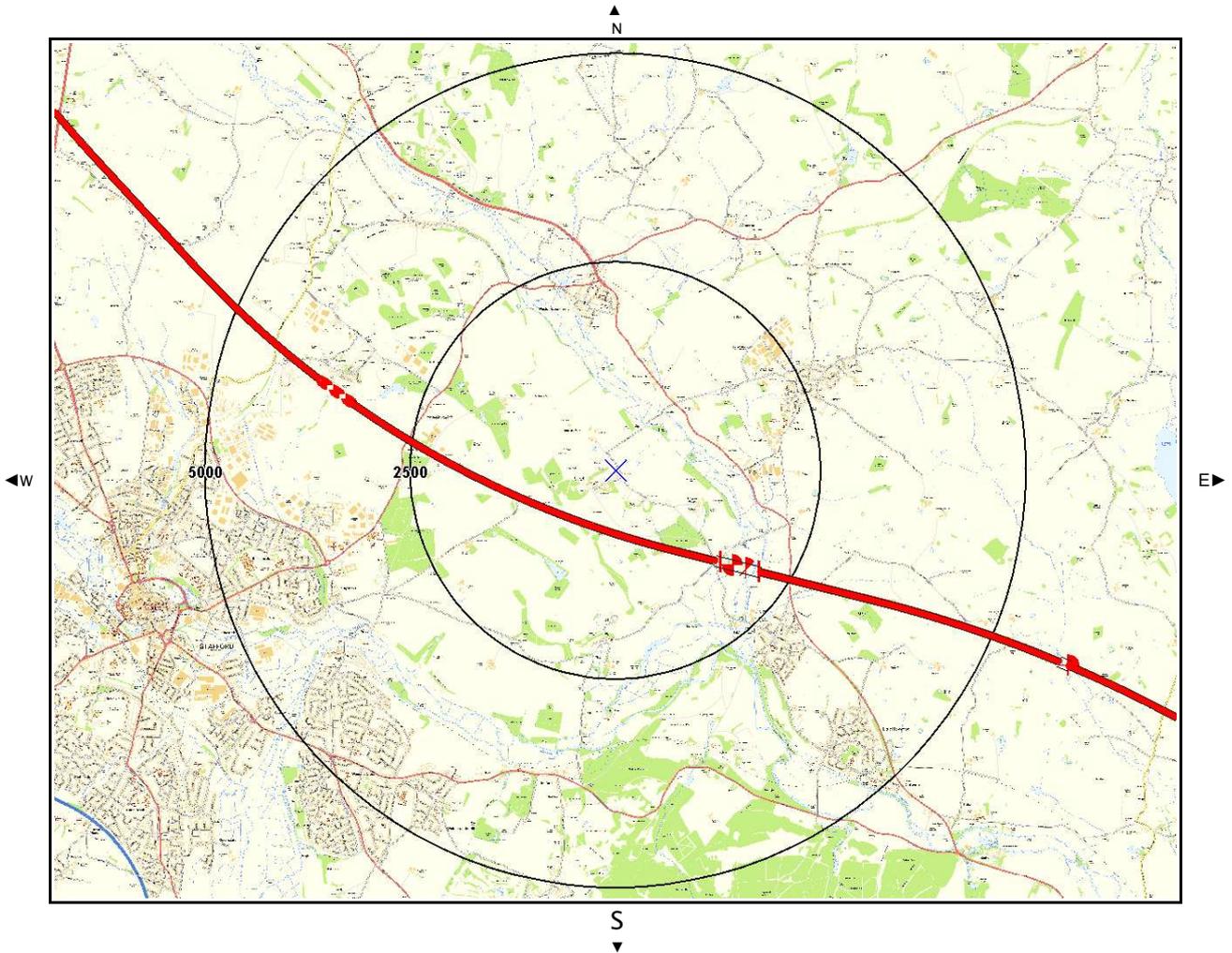
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		<u>Track Type</u>	<u>Estimated Train Speed</u>
	Search Centre	Surface Running Track	<50mph
	Search Buffers (m)	Tunnel	>50<100mph
		Bridge/ Viaduct	>100<150 mph
		Green Tunnel	>150<200 mph
			>200<250 mph

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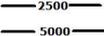
# HS2 Location Map (within 5km)



HS2 Location Map Legend



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		<u>Track Type</u>	<u>Estimated Train Speed</u>
	Search Centre	 Surface Running Track	 <50mph
	Search Buffers (m) — 2500 — — 5000 —	 Tunnel	 >50<100mph
		 Bridge/ Viaduct	 >100<150 mph
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## Detailed Data

### Nearest centre point of track on HS2 Route.

Distance (m)	Direction	Track Type	Maximum Speed (mph)
718	S	Surface Running Track	249mph

### Nearest centre point of overground track on HS2 Route.

Distance (m)	Direction	Track Type	Maximum Speed (mph)
718	S	Surface Running Track	249mph

The route data has been digitised from publicly available maps by GroundSure. Further details of track types and maximum operating speeds for Phase 2 of the line can be found on the Government's [HS2](#) website within the 'Route Section Plans'.

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## General Information

This report details the proposed location of the London to West Midlands phase of the network (Phase 1), and the 'initial preferred route' route for the West Midlands to Leeds/Manchester link (Phase 2). A final decision on the preferred route for Phase 2 is due by December 2014, and this route is subject to change following consultation.

The new trains will be up to 400m long and able to carry up to 1100 passengers. Up to 18 trains per hour will be able to use each line, and will be capable of reaching speeds up to 400 km per hour (approximately 248mph). However, the maximum operating speed is likely to be 360 km per hour (224mph).

### Information for Householdors:

Compensation Schemes for householders affected by the HS2 route were proposed within the Government consultation launched on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2012 and include the following:

#### Properties required for demolition - Sale and Rent Back

Allows owners of properties due for demolition to sell them to the Government but to remain in residence as tenants until the property is needed for construction.

#### Properties within up to 120m of the route - Advanced and Voluntary Purchase

Eligible property owners within either the Safeguarded Area or the Voluntary Purchase Zone will be able to ask the Government to buy their property at its unblighted open market value. Properties within the Safeguarded Area will receive additional compensation (typically 10% of the unblighted value of the property, plus fees associated with relocation, including legal fees). The Safeguarded Area is generally within 60m of the line of the route, though may be more in some areas.

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The Voluntary Purchase Zone is generally set at 120m from the line of the route. However, the Zone does not apply in urban areas, anywhere within the M25, or when the HS2 route is within deep bored tunnels.

**Properties in as yet undefined proximity to the line - 'Part 1' Compensation**

After the railway has been open for one year, property owners in and around the line of the route can seek compensation for the physical impacts of the railway on their property e.g. Increased noise, vibration or light pollution.

**Properties in as yet undefined proximity to the line – Long Term Hardship Scheme**

Allows those outside the Voluntary Purchase Zone who have a strong personal reason to sell, but, because of HS2, cannot do so other than at a significant loss, to have their property purchased by the Government.

**Properties above tunnels used for the route – Tunnel Guarantees**

A series of measures, including before and after surveys and settlement deeds, that underlines the Government's commitment to protecting properties above and within 30m of tunnels. This involves pre-construction surveys of all properties potentially affected and the production of Settlement Deeds to provide clear legally binding assurances to property owners that HS2 Ltd will be responsible for resolving any issues caused by tunnelling. Freeholders will also receive payment for 'subsoil rights' for land used by these underground tunnels. This is likely to be around £50 to represent the perceived value of the subsoil, and £250 as a contribution towards any professional fees for any advice claimants may wish to seek.

Further information on the compensation schemes can be found on the [HS2 website](#).

**Development Timescale**

The table below gives an approximate timescale for developments within the HS2 project.

<b>Autumn 2012</b>	Engagement programme on Phase 2 preferred route, to discuss local views and concerns
<b>Spring 2013</b>	Consultation on draft Environmental Statement for Phase 1 including design refinements
<b>End of 2013</b>	Introduction of a hybrid bill to provide necessary powers to construct and operate Phase 1 of the railway
<b>Early 2014</b>	Consultation on preferred route for Phase 2
<b>Late 2014</b>	Government's announcement of the chosen route for Phase 2
<b>2015</b>	Target date for Royal Assent for the Hybrid Bill, containing legal powers to construct HS2
<b>2017-2025</b>	Phase 1 construction period (starts and ends at different times and at different points along the route)
<b>2024-2026</b>	Commissioning and testing
<b>2026</b>	Phase 1 line opens to passengers
<b>2032-2033</b>	Phase 2 line opens to passengers

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### Limitations of this report

Please note that this report is based upon third party data, which is subject to change without notice. This report only details the proposed route of the HS2 line from London to Birmingham, and the preferred proposed route from Birmingham to Leeds and Manchester, and does not include other infrastructure associated with route, e.g. Construction sites, roads and road realignments, bridges etc. This report does not confirm if the value of any property will be impacted by the proposed route. The report is point based and should not be used for large estates e.g. farms. It does not imply that properties more than 5km from the route may not be affected by noise, dust or other factors associated with construction and / or an operational railway. This report does not constitute an endorsement or criticism of the proposed rail link and is presented for information purposes only.

### Acknowledgements

This report has been prepared in accordance with the GroundSure Ltd standard Terms and Conditions of business for work of this nature.

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Email: [admin@tpos.co.uk](mailto:admin@tpos.co.uk)

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If you want to make a complaint, we will:

- Acknowledge it within 5 working days of receipt.
- Normally deal with it fully and provide a final response, in writing, within 20 working days of receipt.
- Keep you informed by letter, telephone or e-mail, as you prefer, if we need more time.
- Provide a final response, in writing, at the latest within 40 working days of receipt.
- Liaise, at your request, with anyone acting formally on your behalf.

Complaints should be sent to: Operations Director, GroundSure Ltd, Lees House, 21 Dyke Road, Brighton, BN1 3FE. Tel: 08444 159 000. Email: [info@4C.groundsure.com](mailto:info@4C.groundsure.com)

If you are not satisfied with our final response, or if we exceed the response timescales, you may refer the complaint to The Property Ombudsman scheme (TPOs): Tel: 01722 333306, E-mail: [admin@tpos.co.uk](mailto:admin@tpos.co.uk).

We will co-operate fully with the Ombudsman during an investigation and comply with his final decision.

## Standard Terms and Conditions

### 1 Definitions

In these conditions unless the context otherwise requires:

**"Beneficiary"** means the Client or the customer of the Client for whom the Client has procured the Services.

**"Commercial"** means any building which is not Residential.

**"Commission"** means an order for Consultancy Services submitted by a Client.

**"Consultancy Services"** mean consultancy services provided by GroundSure including, without limitation, carrying out interpretation of third party and in-house environmental data, provision of environmental consultancy advice, undertaking environmental audits and assessments, Site investigation, Site monitoring and related items.

**"Contract"** means the contract between GroundSure and the Client for the performance of the Services which arises upon GroundSure's acceptance of an Order or Commission and which shall incorporate these conditions, the relevant GroundSure User Guide, proposal by GroundSure and the content of any subsequent report, and any agreed amendments in accordance with clause 11.

**"Client"** means the party that submits an Order or Commission.

**"Data Provider"** means any third party providing Third Party Content to GroundSure.

**"Data Report"** means reports comprising factual data with no professional interpretation in respect of the level of likely risk and/or liability available from GroundSure.

**"GroundSure"** means GroundSure Limited, a company registered in England and Wales under number 03421028 and whose registered office is at GroundSure Ltd, c/o Top Right Group Limited, The Prow, 1 Wilder Walk, London W1B 5AP, United Kingdom.

**"GroundSure Materials"** means all materials prepared by GroundSure as a result of the provision of the Services, including but not limited to Data Reports, Mapping and Risk Screening Reports.

**"Intellectual Property"** means any patent, copyright, design rights, service marks, moral rights, data protection rights, know-how, trade mark or any other intellectual property rights.

**"Mapping"** an historical map or a combination of historical maps of various ages, time periods and scales available from GroundSure.

**"Order"** means an order form submitted by the Client requiring Services from GroundSure in respect of a specified Site.

**"Order Website"** means online platform via which Orders may be placed.

**"Report"** means a Risk Screening Report or Data Report for commercial or residential property available from GroundSure relating to the Site prepared in accordance with the specifications set out in the relevant User Guide.

**"Residential"** means any building used as or suitable for use as an individual dwelling.

**"Risk Screening Report"** means one of GroundSure's risk screening reports, comprising factual data with interpretation in respect of the level of likely risk and/or liability, excluding **"Consultancy Services"**.

**"Services"** means the provision of any Report, Mapping or Consultancy Services which GroundSure has agreed to carry out for the Client/Beneficiary on these terms and conditions in respect of the Site.

**"Site"** means the landsite in respect of which GroundSure provides the Services.

**"Third Party Content"** means any data, database or other information contained in a Report or Mapping which is provided to GroundSure by a Data Provider.

**"User Guide"** means the relevant current version of the user guide, available upon request from GroundSure.

### 2 Scope of Services

2.1 GroundSure agrees to carry out the Services in accordance with the Contract and to the extent set out therein.

2.2 GroundSure shall exercise all the reasonable skill, care and diligence to be expected of experienced environmental consultants in the performance of the Services.

2.3 The Client acknowledges that it has not relied on any statement or representation made by or on behalf of GroundSure which is not set out and expressly agreed in the Contract.

2.4 Terms and conditions appearing on a Client's order form, printed stationery or other communication, including invoices, to GroundSure, its employees, servants, agents or other representatives or any terms implied by custom, practice or course of dealing shall be of no effect and these terms and conditions shall prevail over all others.

2.5 If a Client/Beneficiary requests insurance in conjunction with or as a result of the Services, GroundSure shall use reasonable endeavours to procure such insurance, but makes no warranty that such insurance shall be available from insurers or offered on reasonable terms. GroundSure does not endorse or recommend any particular insurance product, policy or insurer. Any insurance purchased shall be subject solely to the terms of the policy issued by insurers and GroundSure will have no liability therefor. The Client/Beneficiary should take independent advice to ensure that the insurance policy requested and/or offered is suitable for its requirements.

2.6 GroundSure's quotations/proposals are valid for a period of 30 days only. GroundSure reserves the right to withdraw any quotation at any time before GroundSure accepts an Order or Commission. GroundSure's acceptance of an Order or Commission shall be effective only where such acceptance is in writing and signed by GroundSure's authorised representative or where accepted via GroundSure's Order Website.

### 3 The Client's obligations

3.1 The Client shall ensure the Beneficiary complies with and is bound by the terms and conditions set out in the Contract and shall provide that GroundSure may in its own right enforce such terms and conditions against the Beneficiary pursuant to the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999. The Client shall be liable for all breaches of the Contract by the Beneficiary as if they were breaches by the Client. The Client shall be solely responsible for ensuring that the Report/Mapping ordered is appropriate and suitable for the Beneficiary's needs.

3.2 The Client shall (or shall procure that the Beneficiary shall) supply to GroundSure as soon as practicable and without charge all information necessary and accurate relevant data including any specific and/or unusual environmental information relating to the Site known to the Client/Beneficiary which may pertain to the Services and shall give such assistance as GroundSure shall reasonably require in the performance of the Services (including, without limitation, access to a Site, facilities and equipment as agreed in the Contract).

3.3 Where Client/Beneficiary approval or decision is required, such approval or decision shall be given or procured in reasonable time as not to delay or disrupt the performance of any other part of the Services.

3.4 The Client shall not and shall not knowingly permit the Beneficiary to, save as expressly permitted by these terms and conditions, re-sell, alter, add to, amend or use out of context the content of any Report, Mapping or, in respect of any Services, information given by GroundSure. For the avoidance of doubt, the Client and Beneficiary may make the Report, Mapping or GroundSure's findings available to a third party who is considering acquiring the whole or part of the Site, or providing funding in relation to the Site, but such third party cannot rely on the same unless expressly permitted under clause 4.

3.5 The Client is responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of its user name and password if using GroundSure's internet ordering service and accepts responsibility for all activity that occurs under such account and password.

### 4 Reliance

4.1 Upon full payment of all relevant fees and subject to the provisions of these terms and conditions, the Client and Beneficiary are granted an irrevocable royalty-free licence to access the information contained in a Report, Mapping or in a report prepared by GroundSure in respect of or arising out of Consultancy Services. The Services may only be used for the benefit of the Client and those persons listed in clauses 4.2 and 4.3.

4.2 In relation to Data Reports, Mapping and Risk Screening Reports, the Client shall be entitled to make Reports available to (i) the Beneficiary, (ii) the Beneficiary's professional advisers, (iii) any person providing funding to the Beneficiary in relation to the Site (whether directly or as part of a lending syndicate), (iv) the first purchaser or first tenant of the Site (v) the professional advisers and lenders of the first purchaser or tenant of the Site. Accordingly GroundSure shall have the same duties and obligations to those persons in respect of the Services as it has to the Client and those persons shall have the benefit of any of the Client's rights under the Contract as if those persons were parties to the Contract. For the avoidance of doubt, the limitations of GroundSure's liability as set out in clauses 7 and 11.6 shall apply.

4.3 In relation to Consultancy Services, reliance shall be limited to the Client, Beneficiary and named parties on the Report.

4.4 Save as set out in clauses 4.2 and 4.3 and unless otherwise agreed in writing with GroundSure, any other party considering the information supplied by GroundSure as part of the Services, including (but not limited to) insurance underwriters, does so at their own risk and GroundSure has no legal obligations to such party unless otherwise agreed in writing.

4.5 The Client shall not and shall not knowingly permit any person (including the Beneficiary) who is provided with a copy of any Report, (except as permitted herein or by separate agreement with GroundSure) to: (a) remove, suppress or modify any trade mark, copyright or other proprietary marking from the Report or Mapping; (b) create any product which is derived directly or indirectly from the data contained in the Report or Mapping; (c) combine the Report or Mapping with, or incorporate the Report or Mapping into any other information data or service; or (d) re-format or otherwise change (whether by modification, addition or enhancement) data or images contained in the Report or Mapping.

4.6 Notwithstanding clause 4.5, if the Client acts in a professional capacity, it may make reasonable use of a Report and/or findings made as a result of Consultancy Services to advise Beneficiaries. However, GroundSure shall have no liability in respect of any opinion or report given to such Beneficiaries by the Client or a third party.

### 5 Fees and Disbursements

5.1 GroundSure shall charge the Client fees at the rate and frequency specified in the Contract together, in the case of Consultancy Services, with all proper disbursements incurred by GroundSure in performing the Services. For the avoidance of doubt, the fees payable for the Services are as set out in GroundSure's written proposal, Order Website or Order acknowledgement form. The Client shall in addition pay all value added tax or other tax payable on such fees and disbursements in relation to the provision of the Services.

5.2 Unless GroundSure requires prepayment, the Client shall promptly pay all fees disbursements and other monies due to GroundSure in full without deduction, counterclaim or set off together with such value added tax or other tax as may be required within 30 days from the date of GroundSure's invoice or such other period as may be agreed in writing between GroundSure and the Client ("**Payment Date**"). GroundSure reserves the right to charge interest which shall accrue on a daily basis from 30 days after the date of Payment Date until the date of payment (whether before or after judgment) at the rate of five per cent per annum above the Bank of England base rate from time to time.

5.3 In the event that the Client disputes the amount payable in respect of GroundSure's invoice it shall notify GroundSure no later than 28 days after the date thereof that it is in dispute. In default of such notification the Client shall be deemed to have agreed the amount thereof. As soon as reasonably practicable following receipt of a notification in respect of any disputed invoice, a member of the management team at GroundSure shall contact the Client and the parties shall use all reasonable endeavours to resolve the dispute.

### 6 Intellectual Property and Confidentiality

6.1 Subject to the provisions of clause 4.1, the Client and the Beneficiary hereby acknowledge that all Intellectual Property in the Services and Content are and shall remain owned by either GroundSure or the Data Providers and nothing in these terms purports to transfer or assign any rights to the Client or the Beneficiary in respect of the Intellectual Property.

6.2 The Client shall acknowledge the ownership of the **Third Party Content** where such **Third Party Content** is incorporated or used in the Client's own documents, reports, systems or services whether or not these are supplied to a third party.

6.3 Data Providers may enforce any breach of clauses 6.1 and 6.2 against the Client or Beneficiary.

6.4 The Client acknowledges that the proprietary rights subsisting in copyright, database rights and any other intellectual property rights in respect of any data and information contained in any Report are and shall remain (subject to clause 11.1) the property of GroundSure and/or any third party that has supplied data or information used to create a Report, and that these conditions do not purport to grant, assign or transfer any such rights in respect thereof to a Client and/or a Beneficiary.

6.5 The Client shall (and shall procure that any recipients of the Report as permitted under clause 4.2 shall):

- (i) not remove, suppress or modify any trademark, copyright or other proprietary marking belonging to GroundSure or any third party from the Services;

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- (ii) use the information obtained as part of the Services in respect of the subject Site only, and shall not store or reuse any information obtained as part of the Services provided in respect of adjacent or nearby sites;
  - (iii) not create any product or report which is derived directly or indirectly from the data contained in the Services (save that those acting in a professional capacity to the Beneficiary may provide advice based upon the Services);
  - (iv) not combine the Services with or incorporate such Services into any other information data or service; and
  - (v) not reformat or otherwise change (whether by modification, addition or enhancement), data contained in the Services (save that those acting in a professional capacity to the Beneficiary shall not be in breach of this clause 6.5(v) where such reformatting is in the normal course of providing advice based upon the Services), in each case of parts (iii) to (v) inclusive, whether or not such product or report is produced for commercial profit or not.
- 6.6 The Client and/or Beneficiary shall and shall procure that any party to whom the Services are made available shall notify GroundSure of any request or requirement to disclose, publish or disseminate any information contained in the Services in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 or any associated legislation or regulations in force from time to time.
- 6.8 Save as otherwise set out in these terms and conditions, any information provided by one party ("**Disclosing Party**") to the other party ("**Receiving Party**") shall be treated as confidential and only used for the purposes of these terms and conditions, except in so far as the Receiving Party is authorised by the Disclosing Party to provide such information in whole or in part to a third party.

## 7 Liability

### THE CLIENT'S ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THIS PROVISION

- 7.1 Subject to the provisions of this clause 7, GroundSure shall be liable to the Beneficiary only in relation to any direct losses or damages caused by any negligent act or omission of GroundSure in preparing the GroundSure Materials and provided that the Beneficiary has used all reasonable endeavours to mitigate any such losses.
- 7.2 GroundSure shall not be liable for any other losses or damages incurred by the Beneficiary, including but not limited to:
- (i) loss of profit, revenue, business or goodwill, losses relating to business interruption, loss of anticipated savings, loss of or corruption to data or for any special, indirect or consequential loss or damage which arise out of or in connection with the GroundSure Materials or otherwise in relation to a Contract;
  - (ii) any losses or damages that arise as a result of the use of all or part of the GroundSure Materials in breach of these terms and conditions or contrary to the terms of the relevant User Guide;
  - (iii) any losses or damages that arise as a result of any error, omission or inaccuracy in any part of the GroundSure Materials where such part is based on any Third Party Content or any reasonable interpretation of Third Party Content. The Client accepts, and shall procure that any other Beneficiary shall accept, that it has no claim or recourse to any Data Provider in relation to Third Party Content; and/or
  - (iv) any loss or damage to a Client's computer, software, modem, telephone or other property caused by a delay or loss of use of GroundSure's internet ordering service.
- 7.3 GroundSure's total liability in contract, tort (including negligence or breach of statutory duty), misrepresentation, restitution or otherwise, arising in connection with the GroundSure Materials or otherwise in relation to the Contract shall be limited to £10 million in total (i) for any one claim or (ii) for a series of connected claims brought by one or more parties.
- 7.4 For the duration of the liability periods set out in clauses 7.5 and 7.6 below, GroundSure shall maintain professional indemnity insurance in respect of its liability under these terms and conditions provided such insurance is readily available at commercially viable rates. GroundSure shall produce evidence of such insurance if reasonably requested by the Client. A level of cover greater than GroundSure's current level of cover may be available upon request and agreement with the Client.
- 7.5 Any claim under the Contract in relation to Data Reports, Mapping and Risk Screening Reports, must be brought within six years from the date when the Beneficiary became aware that it may have a claim and in no event may a claim be brought twelve years or more after completion of such a Contract. For the avoidance of doubt, any claim in respect of which proceedings are notified to GroundSure in writing prior to the expiry of the time periods referred to in this clause 7.5 shall survive the expiry of those time periods provided the claim is actually commenced within six months of notification.
- 7.6 Any claim under the Contract in relation to Consultancy Services, must be brought within six years from the date the Consultancy Services were completed.
- 7.7 The Client accepts and shall procure that any other Beneficiary shall accept that it has no claim or recourse to any Data Provider or to GroundSure in respect of the acts or omissions of any Data Provider and/or any Third Party Content provided by a Data Provider.
- 7.8 Nothing in these terms and conditions:
- (i) excludes or limits the liability of GroundSure for death or personal injury caused by GroundSure's negligence, or for fraudulent misrepresentation; or
  - (ii) shall affect the statutory rights of a consumer under the applicable legislation.

## 8 GroundSure right to suspend or terminate

- 8.1 In the event that GroundSure reasonably believes that the Client or Beneficiary as applicable has not provided the information or assistance required to enable the proper performance of the Services, GroundSure shall be entitled on fourteen days written notice to suspend all further performance of the Services until such time as any such deficiency has been made good.
- 8.2 GroundSure may additionally terminate the Contract immediately on written notice in the event that:
- (i) the Client shall fail to pay any sum due to GroundSure within 28 days of the Payment Date; or
  - (ii) the Client (being an individual) has a bankruptcy order made against him or (being a company) shall enter into liquidation whether compulsory or voluntary or have an Administration Order made against it or if a Receiver shall be appointed over the whole or any part of its property assets or undertaking or if the Client is struck off the Register of Companies or dissolved; or
  - (iii) the Client being a company is unable to pay its debts within the meaning of Section 123 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or being an individual appears unable to pay his debts within the meaning of Section 268 of the Insolvency Act 1986 or if the Client shall enter into a composition or arrangement with the Client's creditors or shall suffer distress or execution to be levied on his goods; or
  - (iv) the Client or the Beneficiary breaches any material term of the Contract (including, but not limited to, the obligations in clause 4) incapable of remedy or if remediable, is not remedied within 14 days of notice of the breach.

## 9 Client's Right to Terminate and Suspend

- 9.1 Subject to clause 10.2, the Client may at any time after commencement of the Services by notice in writing to GroundSure require GroundSure to terminate or suspend immediately performance of all or any of the Services.
- 9.2 The Client waives all and any right of cancellation it may have under the Consumer Protection (Distance Selling) Regulations 2000 (as amended) in respect of the Order of a Report/Mapping. This does not affect the Beneficiary's statutory rights.

## 10 Consequences of Withdrawal, Termination or Suspension

- 10.1 Upon termination or any suspension of the Services, GroundSure shall take steps to bring to an end the Services in an orderly manner, vacate any Site with all reasonable speed and shall deliver to the Client/Beneficiary any property of the Client/ Beneficiary in GroundSure's possession or control.
- 10.2 In the event of termination/suspension of the Contract under clauses 8 or 9, the Client shall pay to GroundSure all and any fees payable in respect of the performance of the Services up to the date of termination/suspension. In respect of any Consultancy Services provided, the Client shall also pay GroundSure any additional costs incurred in relation to the termination/suspension of the Contract.

## 11 General

- 11.1 The mapping contained in the Services is protected by Crown copyright and must not be used for any purpose outside the context of the Services or as specifically provided in these terms.
- 11.2 GroundSure reserves the right to amend these terms and conditions. No variation to these terms shall be valid unless signed by an authorised representative of GroundSure.
- 11.3 No failure on the part of GroundSure to exercise and no delay in exercising, any right, power or provision under these terms and conditions shall operate as a waiver thereof.
- 11.4 Save as expressly provided in clauses 4.2, 4.3, 6.3 and 11.5, no person other than the persons set out therein shall have any right under the Contract (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any terms of the Contract.
- 11.5 The Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government acting through Ordnance Survey may enforce breach of clause 6.1 of these terms and conditions against the Client in accordance with the provisions of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.
- 11.6 GroundSure shall not be liable to the Client if the provision of the Services is delayed or prevented by one or more of the following circumstances:
- (i) the Client or Beneficiary's failure to provide facilities, access or information;
  - (ii) fire, storm, flood, tempest or epidemic;
  - (iii) Acts of God or the public enemy;
  - (iv) riot, civil commotion or war;
  - (v) strikes, labour disputes or industrial action;
  - (vi) acts or regulations of any governmental or other agency;
  - (vii) suspension or delay of services at public registries by Data Providers; or
  - (viii) changes in law.
- 11.7 Any notice provided shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be properly given if delivered by hand or sent by first class post, facsimile or by email to the address, facsimile number or email address of the relevant party as may have been notified by each party to the other for such purpose or in the absence of such notification the last known address.
- 11.8 Such notice shall be deemed to have been received on the day of delivery if delivered by hand, facsimile or email and on the second working day after the day of posting if sent by first class post.
- 11.9 The Contract constitutes the entire contract between the parties and shall supersede all previous arrangements between the parties.
- 11.10 Each of the provisions of the Contract is severable and distinct from the others and if one or more provisions is or should become invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be tainted or impaired.
- 11.11 These terms and conditions shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law and any proceedings arising out of or connected with these terms and conditions shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.
- 11.12 If the Client or Beneficiary has a complaint about the Services, notice can be given in any format eg writing, phone, email to the Compliance Officer at GroundSure who will respond in a timely manner.

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