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Our ref.	PHEH/EP/JocoPit/Zone 2
Date	

Dear

**Environmental Protection Act 1990 Part2A
Investigation into landfill gas on the former Joco Pit landfill now comprising Tolsey
Mead and Eaglestone Close**

I am writing to tell you about some works that the Council needs to carry out as part of its ongoing monitoring of landfill gas on the former Joco Pit landfill, now comprising Tolsey Mead and Eaglestone Close.

Since 1991 the Council has been monitoring the former Joco Pit landfill site for the landfill gases Methane and Carbon Dioxide. Although gas has been found historically, recently one of the boreholes has shown an apparent increase in levels, whilst the other nearby has remained at a consistent level.

To investigate this further the Council appointed Leap Environmental Ltd to carry out a desk top study to ascertain the level of risk associated with this change. Unfortunately because only two of the original monitoring boreholes remain functional across the site there is insufficient data to create an adequate risk assessment. This means that we now have to investigate further. We will be installing new boreholes across the site and carrying out more monitoring as a precautionary measure, to collect additional data and ensure an adequate risk assessment is created. Leap Environmental has also been appointed to carry out this additional work.

As your house is not within the site where the actual landfill material was understood to have been placed, the initial physical investigation should not affect you. However as

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your property is directly adjacent to the site we want to make you aware of the situation, as there may be implications should works identify that gas could be migrating across the site and further investigation or remedial works are required. A plan showing the area is available to download from the web page below.

We are sure that you will have a lot of questions and concerns and to help answer these we have put a list of frequently asked questions on the web page below to help you. If you don't find the answer to your question there is also a dedicated email address you can use to send us other questions/queries and we do our best to answer them. Please email formerjocopit@tmbc.gov.uk. To allow us to respond to all enquiries as quickly as possible please use this email to talk to us.

We have arranged for Council officers and representatives of Leap Environmental to be at drop in sessions at Potters Mede pavilion on Wrotham Road where you can talk to us and ask us questions. Please come along on either **30 January between 6pm and 8pm or Thursday 1 February between 7pm and 9pm.**

We have also been in contact with your local Ward Councillors and with the Parish Council so that they are fully aware of what we are doing.

We know that this may be a worrying time for you and we will do our best to get the work done as quickly as we can. We will use a dedicated webpage to keep you up to date. Please access www.tmbc.gov.uk/services/environment-and-planning/pollution/pollution-control-contaminated-land/formerjocopit

You can also download all the finalised project documents and reports from the same page.

Yours faithfully

Crispin Kennard
Environmental Protection Team Manager