

Overall Result:

PASSED (Incl. Mine Entry Interpretive Report)

Expert Opinion:

Within the scope of this assessment, the Site is not considered to be susceptible to coal mining-related ground instability. Any identified coal mining features are considered unlikely to impact the value or security of the Site for normal lending purposes and there is no reason for them to impact upon the completion of this transaction.

Will coal mining activity impact the value of the property?

UNLIKELY TO IMPACT VALUE



Will the identified mine entry impact the security of the Site for normal lending purposes?

NO NEED TO NOTIFY LENDER



Are there mining hazards that should be brought to the purchaser's attention?

HAZARDS IDENTIFIED



It is important to be fully informed of all coal mining risks associated with a property before completing your purchase. **Please read the next steps on page 2 carefully.**

Within Coal Authority Mining Reporting Area

YES

Report Address:

CON29M Questions

Assessment

CON29M Questions	Assessment	Assessment
1. Past underground coal mining	YES	ADVISORY
2. Present underground coal mining	NO	PASSED
3. Future underground coal mining	NO	PASSED
4. Shaft and adits (mine entries) (Incl. Mine Entry Interpretive Report)	YES	SEE MEIR
5. Coal mining geology	NO	PASSED
6. Past opencast coal mining	NO	PASSED
7. Present opencast coal mining	NO	PASSED
8. Future opencast coal mining	NO	PASSED
9. Subsidence claims (Incl. Subsidence Claims Buffer Report)	NO	PASSED
10. Mine gas emissions	NO	PASSED
11. Emergency call out incidents	NO	PASSED

TEST ADDRESS

Report Details:

TF Reference: 80450

Client Reference: Test-Rochdale

Date: 15/03/2019

User Key

Lender Further Action

Conveyancer Further Action

Purchaser Advisory

Passed – No Further Action

These colour signatures are used throughout the report. For the full key, please see the back of the report.

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Please see below Terrafirma's expert opinion and recommendations with regards to the property. These may be copied into your Report on Title. No physical site inspection has been carried out. This official CON29M report highlights only the information which we have determined should be drawn to your attention however, other risks may be present. Relevant prudent enquiries for the purchaser are highlighted within the Next Steps.

● ● Report Conclusions:

Mining features have been identified within the physical influence of the Site, resulting in a susceptibility to past, present and/or future ground movement. Below exist relevant interpreted conclusions based on the findings of this report.

A coal seam has been identified within 20 metres of the Site and associated shallow unrecorded coal mine workings are suspected to have been historically worked beneath/within the immediate vicinity of the Site. Historical 'shaft-like' features, called 'Bell Pits', are also particularly common at/near coal outcrops, often occurring in clusters and being typically unrecorded in nature.

Given the shallow depth of suspected coal mine workings (e.g., 'Bell Pits') beneath the Site, any movement within the worked coal seams may cause ground instability at the surface.

Any previous movement in the ground should already be present in pre-existing structural defects; please see the report recommendations for further information.

A mine entry is recorded within 20 metres of the Site. See Mine Entry Interpretive Report for detailed findings and an expert interpretation of the risk of instability.

● ● Next Steps:

The identified mining features are unlikely to impact the value or security of the site for normal lending purposes; however, it is recommended that the prudent purchaser undertakes further assurances to safeguard their investment regarding the stability of the site.

Terrafirma consider it prudent that an appropriate **RICS Survey Level-Two HomeBuyer report** (e.g. *Survey & Valuation*) is acquired for the property in question to assess, amongst other important considerations, the current condition of the property. This report will highlight any subsidence-related defects, which may relate to ground instability associated with shallow coal mining, while also noting any serious or dangerous issues that may require attention. This survey will also include advice on any defects, repairs or maintenance decisions. For further information about the suite of *RICS HomeBuyer and Building Surveys*, please visit <https://www.ricsfirms.com/articles/which-rics-survey-is-best-for-your-needs/>, or to find a local Building Surveyor, please visit <https://www.ricsfirms.com/>.

Should such a survey have already been undertaken as part of the property purchase, an additional Building Survey report may not be necessary.

If a Building Survey has already been undertaken and reports a condition rating 1, indicating minimal historical or current ground movement, no further action is considered necessary. However, should the Building Survey mention condition ratings 3 (& 2 where appropriate) in relation to subsidence or issues relating to ground instability, then we recommend that you seek further expert advice. Sections of notable relevance in relation to ground instability from mineral extraction are: E1, 2, 4, 8 & 9; F1-5; H1-3 and J1-4. Alternatively, one may email the obtained Building Survey to Terrafirma and a member of our expert team of geologists and mining engineers can provide a review of the survey report.

In the event subsidence has previously occurred or occurs in the future, it is recommended Terrafirma are contacted immediately for advice on practical and appropriate next steps, including how one can make a compensation claim to the Coal Authority. For detailed information on the statutory cover available to homeowners, please see the back of this report.



● If you are planning on altering or developing the Site:

The Site is located within a 'High Development Risk Zone', as defined by the Coal Authority. Due to the presence of recorded and/or unrecorded coal mining activity, any future development of the Site may trigger ground collapse and/or subsidence.

It should be noted that prior to site works or future development, your local planning authority may require you to commission a full Coal Mining Risk Assessment (CMRA) or Site Investigation by a qualified mining geologist/engineer.

In the event, you require further professional support, please contact Terrafirma directly to discuss the appropriate further steps.

Contact the report author by calling the Terrafirma team on: 0330 900 7500

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Mine Entry Interpretive Report

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● Mine Entry Information

If you live in a mining area, there is a small risk that your home may be affected by ground movement associated with mine entries.

To identify if your property is within an area of possible ground movement, Terrafirma expertly model the actual or plotted position of the mine entry, its known or assumed diameter, the local geological conditions (including depth to rockhead, rock and soil properties and hydrogeological factors), historical land use and key attributes of the mine entry such as its age and depth. Using official Coal Authority and British Geological Survey data, Terrafirma have calculated a Zone of Influence (ZOI) for each individual mine entry to provide an accurate representation of the risk to your property. More information on how Terrafirma model the risk from mine entries can be found at the back of this report.


In the unlikely event of your property being damaged by coal mining subsidence, you can, under the provisions of the Coal Mining Subsidence Act 1991, make a claim against the mine owner. The mine owner will treat the mine entry and arrange for repairs to the property to be carried out to reasonable satisfaction of the property owner. The mine owner may also be liable to pay compensation for damage to moveable property such as furniture.

Please note – The Coal Mining Subsidence Act 1991 does not cover damage caused by extraction of minerals other coal. It is recommended that an expert opinion that considers the risk of ground movement associated with non-coal mining and other ground perils is obtained prior to property purchase. For more information, visit: www.understandtheground.co.uk.

Expert Opinion:

 The mine entry is unlikely to pose a significant risk of ground instability.

 The mine entry ZOI is unlikely to extend beneath the building footprint.

 The mine entry ZOI is likely to extend beneath the property boundary.

Any insurance given with previous mining reports is applicable to this Mine Entry Interpretive Report.



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The following mine entry information has been identified within 20 metres of the Site and is shown on the Mining Hazard Map:

Mine Entry Reference: 386413-010

Entry type	Shaft
Mineral extracted	Coal
Source of entry	Geol:1840 Geological sheet
Mine entry name	
Depth of shaft (m)	
Diameter of shaft (m)	2.5
Is the entry treated?	NO
Treatment details	
Treatment date	
● Who owns the Entry?*	CA

*If result is not 'Coal Authority (CA)', further enquiries should be made with the Mine Entry Owner to identify subsidence liability.

● ● Risk of Instability:

The 'Zone of Influence' of the mine entry has been calculated based on the depth and composition of superficial deposits, and the mine entry diameter. According to the calculation, if in its documented position the potential influence area of the mine entry, should it collapse, could affect the ground stability of the Site grounds/gardens, however, the ground stability beneath the footprint of the existing building* should not be affected.

The mine entry is recorded from a historical source and its precise location has therefore not been confirmed. A potential error radius of 3 metres has therefore been applied to its location. Taking this potential deviation into account, the existing building is still considered unlikely to be within the influence of the mine entry.

*location of buildings/structures within Site boundary based on current OS mapping

● ● Next Steps:

Terrafirma consider it prudent that an appropriate RICS Survey Level-Two HomeBuyer report (e.g. Survey & Valuation) is acquired for the property in question to assess, amongst other important considerations, the structural condition of the property. This report will highlight any subsidence-related defects, which may relate to ground instability, while also noting any serious or dangerous issues that may require attention. For further information about the suite of RICS HomeBuyer and Building Surveys, please visit this www.ricsfirms.com/articles/which-rics-survey-is-best-for-your-needs/, or to find a local Building Surveyor, please visit www.ricsfirms.com/.

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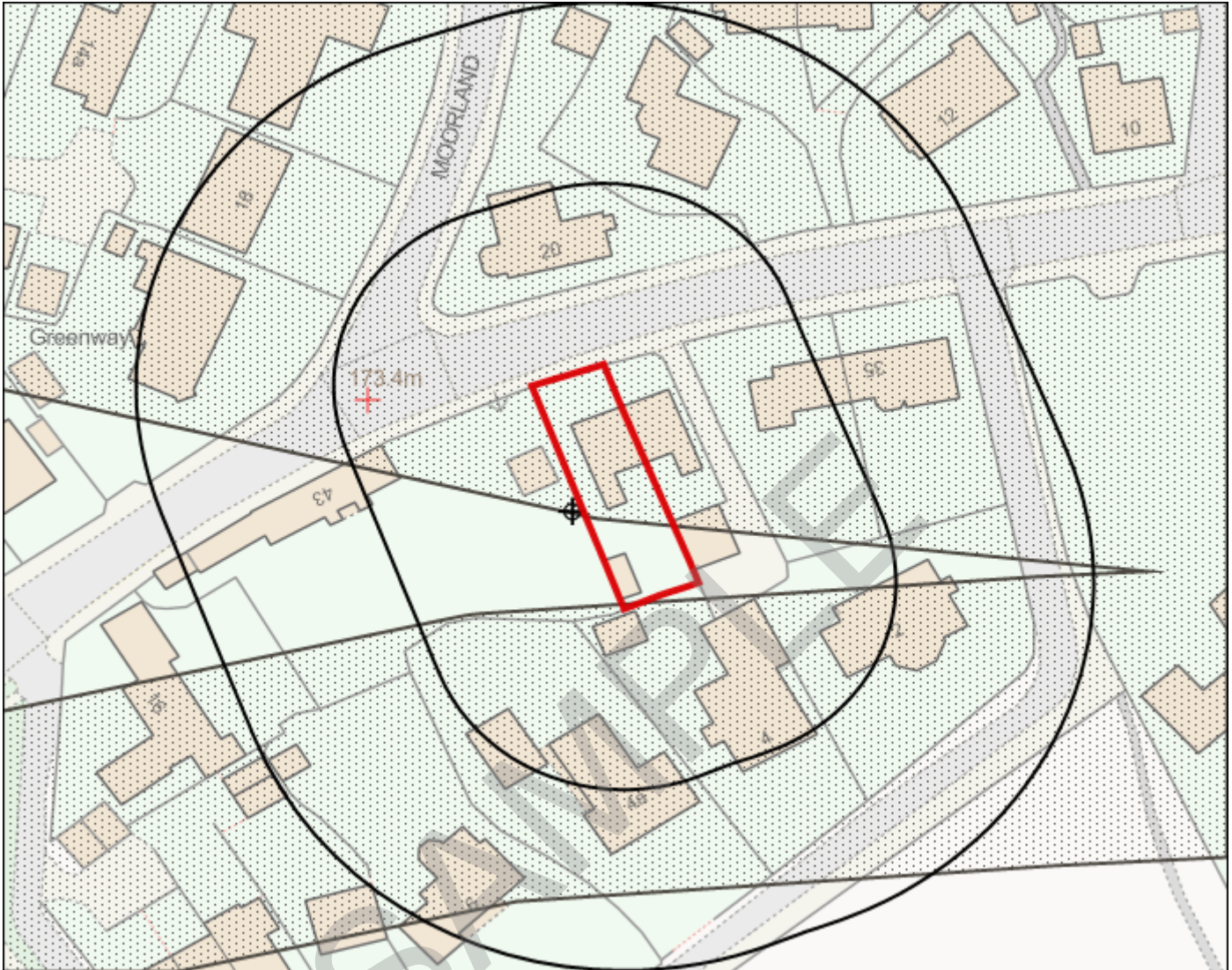
● **In the event of future subsidence:**

In the unlikely event of your property being damaged by coal mining subsidence, you can, under the provisions of the Coal Mining Subsidence Act 1991, make a claim against the mine owner. The mine owner will treat the mine entry and arrange for repairs to the property to be carried out to reasonable satisfaction of the property owner. The mine owner may also be liable to pay compensation for damage to moveable property such as furniture.

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Mining Hazard Map



Site Address	Bagslate Moor Road, Rochdale, Greater Manchester, OL11
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Hazard Map Key

Coal Authority Data



Mine Entries

-  Adit
-  Shaft

Subsidence Claims

-  01 – Awaiting Decision
-  02 – Rejected
-  03 – Admitted
-  05 – Settled
-  06 - Withdrawn

Hazard Zones

-  Zone of Influence
-  Affected Areas

 Site Boundary

 25m 50m Scales

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Detailed findings of coal mining activity:

1. Past underground coal mining

ADVISORY 

Q. *Is the property within the zone of likely physical influence on the surface of past underground coal workings?*

A.
 The Site is recorded to be situated above deep underground coal mine workings. This is where coal has been mined at a depth of over 30 metres beneath the surface of the Site.
 The Site is not within a surface area that could be affected by historical, known shallow underground mining.
 The Site is recorded to be situated within 20 metres of a known coal seam outcrop. This coal is suspected to have been historically worked at depth of less than 30 metres beneath the surface, within the vicinity of the Site. Please see the report conclusions for further information.

2. Present underground coal mining

PASSED 

Q. *Is the property within the zone of likely physical influence on the surface of present underground coal workings?*

A.
 The Site is not situated within an area which could be affected by currently active underground coal mining.

3. Future underground coal mining

PASSED 

Q. (a) *Is the property within any geographical area for which the Coal Authority is determining whether to grant a licence to remove coal by underground methods?*
 (b) *Is the property within any geographical area for which a licence to remove coal by underground methods has been granted?*
 (c) *Is the property within the zone of likely physical influence on the surface of planned future underground coal workings?*
 (d) *Has any notice of proposals relating to underground coal mining operations been given under section 46 of the Coal Mining Subsidence Act 1991?*

A.
 The Site is not situated within an area which could be affected by any future underground coal mining.
 The Site is not situated within the influence of a Section 46 Notice

4. Shafts and adits (mine entries)

SEE MEIR

Q. *Are there any shafts and adits or other entries to underground coal mine workings within the property or within 20 metres of the boundary of the property?*

A.

A mine entry is recorded within 20 metres of the Site. Please see the attached Mine Entry Interpretative Report for more information.

5. Coal mining geology

PASSED 

Q. *Is there any record of any fault or other line of weakness due to coal mining at the surface within the boundary of the property that has made the property unstable?*

A.

Deep (over 30 metres) underground coal mine workings are recorded beneath the Site, however, there are no recorded faults, fissures or breaklines that occur within the influence of the Site.

6. Past opencast coal mining

PASSED 

Q. *Is the property situated within the geographical boundary of an opencast site from which coal has been removed in the past by opencast methods?*

A.

The Site is not situated within an area of any past Licence Area for the opencast extraction of coal. There are no unlicensed opencast pits or extraction sites within the vicinity of the Site.

7. Present opencast coal mining

PASSED 

Q. *Is the property within 200 metres of the boundary of an opencast site from which coal is being removed by opencast methods?*

A.

The Site is not situated within 200 metres of an area which could be affected by currently active opencast coal mining.

8. Future opencast coal mining

PASSED 


Q. *(a) Is the property within 800 metres of the boundary of an opencast site for which the Coal Authority are determining whether to grant a licence to remove coal by opencast methods?*



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(b) Is the property within 800 metres of the boundary of an opencast site for which a licence to remove coal by opencast methods has been granted?

A.
There are no plans by the Coal Authority to grant a licence to extract coal using opencast methods within 800 metres surrounding the Site.

9. Coal mining subsidence claims PASSED 

Q. *(a) Has any damage notice or claim for alleged coal mining subsidence damage to the property been given, made or pursued since 1st January 1994?*

(b) Does any current "Stop Notice" delaying the start of remedial works or repairs affect the property?

(c) Has any request been made under section 33 of the 1991 Act to execute preventive works before coal is worked?

A.
There is no record of any coal mining-related damage notices or subsidence claims for the Site or for any Site within 50 metres of the Site.
There is no record of a request that has been made to carry out preventive works before coal is worked under section 33 of the Coal Mining Subsidence Act 1991.

10. Mine gas emissions PASSED 

Q. *Does the Coal Authority have record of any mine gas emission within the boundary of the property being reported that subsequently required action by the Authority to mitigate the effects of the mine gas emission?*

A.
There are no records of any Mine Gas hazards within the influence of the Site and there is no record of any Mine Gas emissions requiring action.

11. Emergency surface hazard call out incidents PASSED 

Q. *Have the Coal Authority carried out any work on or within the boundaries of the property following a report of an alleged hazard related to coal mining under the Authority's Emergency Surface Hazard Call Out procedures?*

A.
The Site is not situated within the influence of a coal mining-related hazard.

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Key and Colour Information

The below key provides further guidance on the colours used throughout this report.

Lender Further Action	Terrafirma has identified mining hazards within the vicinity of the Site, including features (e.g., mine shafts/ adits) that could affect the future value of the Site. A lender may want to be alerted to this adverse entry, due to requirements of UK Finance (formerly the Council of Mortgage Lenders), before deciding on whether to proceed with the transaction.
Conveyancer Further Action	Terrafirma has concluded that further expert analysis of the Site is required. Terrafirma does not believe that the transaction should continue until further actions have been undertaken to quantify the risk of subsidence or collapse to the Site. Terrafirma recommends that the conveyancer liaises with all necessary parties regarding the report's findings.
Purchaser Advisory	The purchaser's attention is drawn to the prudent advice outlined in the report, which Terrafirma recommends is read carefully. The report results should not hinder the transaction and Terrafirma's Terms & Conditions are valid for the Site.
Passed No Further Action	Terrafirma has not identified any mining features that influence the ongoing use or value of the Site. Terrafirma does not believe that any further actions are required for this transaction and Terrafirma's Terms & Conditions are valid for the Site.

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Future Development

In scenarios where mining activity has been identified, a prudent developer would seek appropriate technical advice before any works are undertaken.

In these areas, if development proposals are being considered, technical advice relating to both the investigation of coal and former coal mines and their treatment should be obtained before beginning work on site. All proposals should apply good engineering practice developed for mining areas. No development should be undertaken that intersects, disturbs or interferes with any coal or mines of coal without the permission of the Coal Authority. Developers should be aware that the investigation of coal seams/former mines of coal may have the potential to generate and/or displace underground gases and these risks both under and adjacent to the development should be fully considered in developing any proposals. The need for effective measures to prevent gases entering into public properties either during investigation or after development also needs to be assessed and properly addressed. This is necessary due to the public safety implications of any development in these circumstances.

Notice of Statutory Cover

In the unlikely event of any future damage, the terms of the Coal Mining Subsidence Act 1991 (as amended by the Coal Industry Act 1994) apply*, and the Coal Authority / Licensee has a duty to take remedial action in respect of subsidence caused by the withdrawal of support from land and/or property in connection with lawful coal-mining operations. Typically, these actions will not need to involve either your insurance company or mortgage lender and therefore the end user(s) should not incur any costs or liability. *Note: this Act does not apply where coal was worked or gotten by virtue of the grant of a gale in the Forest of Dean, or any other part of the Hundred of St. Briavels in the county of Gloucester.

In addition to the above, it should also be noted that the Coal Authority offer a Public Safety and Subsidence Department that provides a 24-hour 7 day a week call out service (Tel: 01623 646 333) to take remedial action in respect of hazards associated with the movement or collapse of any coal mineshaft or entrances to coal mines and



from other coal mining related surface hazards. Further information can be found on their website: www.groundstability.com.

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2. if the Property is not a single private home in the United Kingdom which is used only for residential purposes.
3. in relation to loss of a transaction for the sale or for the purchase of the Property nor for any costs incurred in relation to the loss of such transaction.
4. in respect of structural or other physical damage caused to the Property by subsidence or flooding.
5. as a result of any change in Information in response to – future underground coal mining and – future opencast coal mining.
6. if the Information in any subsequent Report after the Effective Date also appears on the attached Report.
7. to any problem revealed by the first Report after the Effective Date if the Purchaser or their legal representative knew about the problem on or before the Effective Date.
8. to any change to the CON29M (2018) Search form and/or the Report made after the Effective Date which affects the Insurer’s responsibility under this Policy, if the Insurer would not have been responsible for the loss before such change.
9. to any change in the interpretation of Information upon which the Report was produced, provided such Information remains unchanged.

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This report is concerned solely with the Site searched and should not be used in connection with adjacent properties as only relevant known mining features have been mentioned and any known features that could potentially have a direct influence upon the target Site. Other features which may be present in the general area may have been omitted for clarity.

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- 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: **Senior Executive, Terrafirma** - Address: 2440 The Quadrant, Aztec West Business Park, Almondsbury, Bristol, BS32 4AQ; Email: info@terrafirmasearch.co.uk; Telephone: 0330 900 7500.

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

WE TRUST THIS REPORT PROVIDES THE INFORMATION YOU REQUIRE. PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES OR IF WE CAN BE OF ANY FURTHER ASSISTANCE.

