Environmental Protection Act 1990, Section 78B

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Wyre Borough Council ("the Council") has determined that the land known as Occupation Road allotments situated at Occupation Road, Thornton Cleveleys within the boundary marked in red on the attached plan (Plan 1 Site Location Plan) being land within the Borough and within land owned by the Council (see Land Registry Plan at Plan 2) is contaminated land for the purposes of section 78A(2) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

The Occupation Road allotments comprise an area of approximately 2,100m^2 (64m x 33m), containing 22 allotment plots ranging in size from 55m^2 to 200m^2. The majority of produce grown on site is done so in small, raised beds, however larger in-ground beds are also evident. No poultry or other animals are known to be present or kept on site.

The Council has (via an Environment Agency led inspection process) investigated and carried out a robust, appropriate, scientific and technical assessment of all of the relevant and available evidence. It is satisfied that two contaminant linkages exist with respect to the current use of the land. The Council has identified:

Contaminant linkage 1

Source: perfluorooctanoic acid – PFOA – within shallow soil;

Pathway: Contaminant uptake into allotment produce and the subsequent consumption of produce and soil attached to produce;

Receptor: Human health.

Contaminant linkage 2

Source: PFOA – within shallow soil;

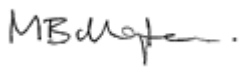
Pathway: Contaminant uptake into allotment produce;

Receptor: property, namely allotment produce grown domestically.

The Council is satisfied that there is a significant possibility of significant harm being caused to human health and property..

The Risk Summary for this site sets out the Council's understanding of the risk and other relevant factors, which support the determination made.

Signed:



Mark Billington (Director of Environment) Wyre Borough Council

Date of Council Decision to Determine: 22/10/26
Date of letters to Appropriate Persons: 28-29/10/26

Plan 1 – Site Location Plan



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Plan 2 – Land Registry Plan

