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To: NorfolkVanguard@pins.gsi.gov.uk
Cc: Barbara.Moss-Taylor@environment-agency.gov.uk; Jon.Berry@breckland.gov.uk
Subject: Verifications of documents
Date: 21 March 2019 08:32:17
Attachments: [IPC_EA.eml](#)
[Environment Agency Radioactivity.eml](#)

Dear Planning Inspectorate

There seems to be some doubt regarding 2 pieces of information we (via Jenny Smedley) received regarding both the identity of the IPC, and the mention of radioactive substance risk.

We are therefore forwarding these original emails to you for your verification that they did both in fact come from the Environment Agency, East Anglia.

We would also like to point out that the MOD is still withholding one document, which is the Crash Report written by the Royal Danish Airforce. They say they carried out a PIT (public information test on it) and that the need for the public to have confidence in the RDAF outweighed the public's need to know what was in the document.

We believe that there are only 3 possible reasons for this.

1. The maintenance of the F16 was in question.
2. The crew acted incorrectly.
3. The plane was carrying something that would take away the public's confidence in the RDAF.

We hope you find this useful.

Thank you

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From: [Area Manager Correspondence, East Anglia](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: AMC/2018/1106 FW: 180606/BA10 FW: Radioactive matter
Date: 02 July 2018 09:47:00

Dear Ms Smedley,

Thank you for your email of 28 June 2018.

IPC (or ISC, (the copy is unclear)), appears to be an acronym used by the Ministry of Defence to denote a department or section within the command structure of the RAF. We have not seen it in any recent communications so unable to confirm what it meant then or now.

Kind regards

Stephanie

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From: Jenny Smedley [REDACTED]
Sent: 28 June 2018 11:26
To: Area Manager Correspondence, East Anglia
<AreaManagerCorrespondence.EastAnglia@environment-agency.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: AMC/2018/1106 FW: 180606/BA10 FW: Radioactive matter

Sorry Stephanie, the fax mentions IPC (that's what it looks like) could you tell me who they are please?

From: [Area Manager Correspondence, East Anglia](#)
Sent: Thursday, June 28, 2018 11:12 AM
To: [REDACTED]

Subject: FW: AMC/2018/1106 FW: 180606/BA10 FW: Radioactive matter

Dear Ms Smedley,

Thank you for your email of 6 June 2018 to DEFRA. They have passed your enquiry to us for reply and will receive a copy of our response.

I have checked our records and it appears that we have already provided a response to you on this matter on 31 May 2018 under reference number EAn/2018/85361 and 5 June 2018 under reference number EAn/85361-1. Please find attached our final replies for your information.

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From: Jenny Smedley [REDACTED]
Sent: 06 June 2018 07:54
To: Helpline, Defra (MCU) <defra.helpline@defra.gsi.gov.uk>
Subject: Radioactive matter

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Date: 28 June 2018 11:12:54
Attachments: [Land contamination air crash 2.pdf](#)
[EAn201885361 response to your request \(192 KB\).msg](#)
[EAn201885361-1 response to your follow-up enquiry \(54.2 KB\).msg](#)

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FROM [REDACTED]
POST ACQO
LOCATION KINGS LYNN

TO REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE
FAX No. 01733 231944

FLOOD	POLL	FIRST REPORT AND LAST	UPDATE	10:00 UPDATE	16:00	2 HRLY	AREA CONTROL ROOM			
							OPEN	CLOSED	TIME	DATE

HEADING AEROPLANE CRASH
LOCATION & TYPE OF INCIDENT WY TODD SWAFFHAM NORFOLK TIME & DATE 1730 11/12/96

F16 CRASHED AT NGR TF 894100. REPORT RECEIVED FROM NORFOLK FIRE & RESCUE AT 1030 HRS

INVESTIGATION REPORT
PLANE TOOK OFF FROM NARMAN (RAF) IN FLAMES, CREW EJECTED IMMEDIATELY. PLANE FLEW ON FOR APPROX 16 KM BEFORE CRASHING INTO SUGAR BEET FIELD. RECKAGE SPREAD OVER WIDE AREA (600m²). BIGGEST PART OF RECKAGE BURIED INTO GROUND MAKING LARGE HOLE. SIGNIFICANT STREAM 500m DOWNGRADIENT NOT AFFECTED. IE U/S OF POTABLE INTAKE AT STOKES FERRY (RIVER WISSEY). PLANE CARRYING HYDRAZINE. ANTICIPATE THAT ALL FUEL/CHEMICAL BURNT UP DURING FLIGHT & ON IMPACT. IFC HAVE INFORMED MAFF OF RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE RISK. NEAREST KNOWN POTABLE WELL/BOREHOLE 2KM. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH INVESTIGATING, OTHER LOCAL SUPPLIES. NO FURTHER ACTION FROM WATER QUALITY REQUIRED

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FAX MESSAGE



FAX DESTINATION NUMBER

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Anglian Region

FOR THE ATTENTION OF

[REDACTED]

SUBJECT MATTER

F16 Crash, [REDACTED]

FROM

[REDACTED]

NUMBER OF SHEETS TO FOLLOW

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IF PART OF THIS MESSAGE IS MISSING OR ILLEGIBLE, PLEASE TELEPHONE

David,

I have contacted Ft. Lt. [REDACTED] at Marchon to tell him that there is approximately 0.4m soil over 20m of boulder clay before the Chert aquifer is reached. The aquifer is therefore reasonably protected. However, some shallow boreholes (7m - 15m) do have water in them at a level approx 5m below ground level, probably originating in higher permeability bands within the boulder clay. The nearest of these private abstractions is 800m to south but they shouldn't be affected if the fuel is removed quickly.

[REDACTED]

From: [Enquiries_EastAnglia](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: EAn/2018/85361-1 response to your follow-up enquiry
Date: 05 June 2018 16:28:01

Good Afternoon Jenny,

We cannot make any further comments on this as we do not hold any other records or information on the crash event.

As stated in our original reply, there were no indications of residual contamination and the area was not designated as contaminated land.

The Local Authority Environmental Health Department, or Planning department may hold information pertaining to the planning application, but you would need to approach them direct.

Kind regards,

James Crisp

Customers & Engagement Officer, East Anglia

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From: Jenny Smedley [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 June 2018 09:04
To: Enquiries_EastAnglia
Subject: Re: EAn/2018/85361 response to your request

Dear Gavin

The reason I asked this question is that a developer (Vattenfall) is planning to build two massive industrial substations on land next to the crash site. Whilst they are avoiding the immediate area, I was perturbed when I read that there is a likelihood of radioactive material being at the crash site.

Many local people, who have potable water within 2km of the crash site are extremely concerned by this information.

I needed to ask the question of NCC's Stephen Faulkner as to whether they had considered that it was wise to allow such a project close to the crash site. In fact the development will surround the crash site.

It appears that NCC may not have known that there was a risk, no matter how slight, of this kind of contamination being disturbed if not by the immediate works, then at some time in the future should the developer in future years decide to run a track/maintenance buildings/extensions over the area without understanding the risks.

This is made more worrying by the fact that this developer habitually sells their installations after they are completed to things such as pension funds. The buyers will not be conversant with the area or the technicalities of the industrial site.

As well as this Vattenfall will be employing contractors to complete the build, and we can foresee a situation where mistakes of great consequence to Necton could occur.

Thank you
Jenny Smedley (Necton, Norfolk)

From: [Enquiries_EastAnglia](#)
Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2018 2:25 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: EAn/2018/85361 response to your request

Dear Jenny

We respond to requests under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

This enquiry pre dates Electronic systems in the EA (Records are National Rivers Authority) and we have only one 'Hard Copy' notation of the event within our Parish file records.

The records we hold do not indicate that there was a residual contamination of land or water supplies following the crash.

I have checked with our Ground Water and Contaminated Land Team, and they also do not hold any records of this event. Our paper record indicates that the Local Authority Environmental Health team investigated any potential risks to local bore holes/wells for potable abstraction.

I have attached a redacted copy of the Fax transmissions for you. The reason for redaction is the Environment Agency is not able to disclose third party names, contact details as this is personal data under the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA) and to disclose it would breach the First Data Protection Principle of the DPA.

The information requested is therefore exempt due to Regulation 13(1) of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, which explains that: 'To the extent that the information requested includes personal data of which the applicant is not the data subject and as respects which either the first or second condition below is satisfied, a public authority shall not disclose the personal data'. The 'first condition' referred to above is further explained in Regulation 13(2)(a): '...in a case where the information falls within any of paragraphs (a) to (d) of the definition of 'data' in section 1(1) of the Data Protection Act 1998, that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under these Regulations would contravene – any of the data protection principles...'.

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permitted use of this information.

Please get in touch if you have any further queries or contact us within two months if you would like us to review the information we have sent.

Please do contact me if I can be of further help.

Kind regards

Gavin

Gavin Rumsey

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