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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT KEEL, ACHILL CO. MAYO

SITE INVESTIGATION
REPORT

Mayo Co. Council,
Aras an Chontae,
The Mall,
Castlebar,
Co. Mayo.

December 2022
Job nr. 22MO113

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1.0 Introduction.

Irish Drilling Ltd. was instructed by Mayo Co. Council, to carry out a site investigation on the site of a proposed developments, at Keel Beach, Achill, Co. Mayo.

The fieldwork was carried out between 27th September and 6th October 2022.

2.0 The Sites & Geology.

The site is located at 'The Sandbanks' adjacent to Keel Beach, about 800m east of Keel village. The site was greenfield at the time of this investigation.

Geological Survey maps of the area indicate that the site is generally underlain by Quartite (Metamorphic) and is close to the contact with the Schist & Gneiss Formation.

A Site Plan is included in this report and show the positions of the boreholes.

3.0 Fieldwork.

The fieldwork consisted of the following:

A borehole was bored on each site, by shell and auger (light cable percussion) methods. Standard Penetration Tests were carried out at approximately one metre intervals and samples were taken and returned to the laboratory for examination. The boreholes were terminated on 'refusal' which was most likely on boulders.

The boreholes was continued using rotary core wire-line drilling equipment (HQ-65mm diameter) and cores were recovered and returned to the laboratory for examination, and logging by an engineering geologist.

The borehole records are included in Appendix 1.

Laboratory testing was carried out on representative samples, consisting of natural moisture content, Atterberg limits, Particle Size Distribution and Point Load tests on rock samples. Sulphate & pH tests were carried out by ALS Laboratories. The laboratory results are included in Appendix 2.

Photographs of the rock cores are included in Appendix 3.

The borehole location was surveyed, to ITM co-ordinates, using a Trimble CU Bluetooth Total Station.

The fieldwork was carried out in accordance with BS5930 (2015): Code of Practice for Site Investigations.

4.0 Ground Conditions

The borehole encountered the following ground conditions:

Depth	Strata
GL – 0.10m	Topsoil
0.10m – 3.00m	Medium dense silty sand, with cobbles
3.00m – 6.80m	Medium dense silty gravelly sand, with cobbles
6.80m – 7.00m	Soft peat
7.00m – 8.20m	Medium dense gravelly sand, with cobbles
8.20m – 12.90m	Dense grey silty sandy gravel, with cobbles
12.90m – 16.70m	Weak to medium strong schist

For detailed descriptions of the soils and rock, refer to Appendix 1.

4.1 Groundwater

Groundwater was encountered at the following depths:

Borehole	Date	Depth	Comments
Bh 1	27.9.'22	2.50m	Remained at 2.50m after 20 mins
	28.9.'22	2.50m	2.50m at 8am and at 11am

5.0 Foundations.

Consideration could be given to using pad or strip foundations for lightly loaded structures. At 0.60m depth, foundations may be designed using an allowable bearing pressure: of 100 kN/m².

Consideration could also be given to piled foundations and the length of pile will depend on design loads, the pile type and diameter, and the nature of the underlying soils and rock. The presence of boulders should be noted with regard to possible difficulties using driven piles, as the shell and auger borehole 'refused' before reaching bedrock.

The advice of specialist piling contractors should be sought as to the feasibility of their type of pile.

5.1 Retaining Walls

For the design of retaining walls the following parameters may be used ⁽⁴⁾ :

Strata	Unit Wt. saturated/dry kN/m ³	Cohesion (undrained) kPa	Angle of internal friction ϕ degrees
Fill	22/20	0	20
Loose Sand and Gravel	20/16	0	30
Dense Sand and Gravel	21/17	0	35
Very soft organic clay/silt	14/6	10	0
Soft slightly organic clay	16/10	20	0
Firm sandy clay	17/12	40	0
Firm to stiff gravelly sandy silt	20/17	75	0
Stiff gravelly sandy silt	20/17	100	0
Very stiff gravelly sandy silt	20/17	200	0
Sandstone or Schist rock	24/24	1,000-5,000	40

The results of Sulphate and pH tests indicate that the soils may be classed as DS-1 ⁽⁶⁾ and therefore no precautions are necessary with regard to protection of foundation concrete from chemical attack.

5.2 Ground Floor Slabs and Pavements

The overburden soils, after removal of topsoil and other organic material is considered suitable for the use of ground bearing slabs.

6.0 Excavations

Excavations in general are likely to be unstable and some form of side supports or battering of excavation sides may be necessary. The use of sumps and pumping may be necessary to maintain dry excavations. The close proximity of existing buildings, roads and services should be noted as excessive pumping is likely to cause settlement or movement of the structures.

In the interest of safety, personnel should not be allowed enter unsupported excavations deeper than 1.0m.

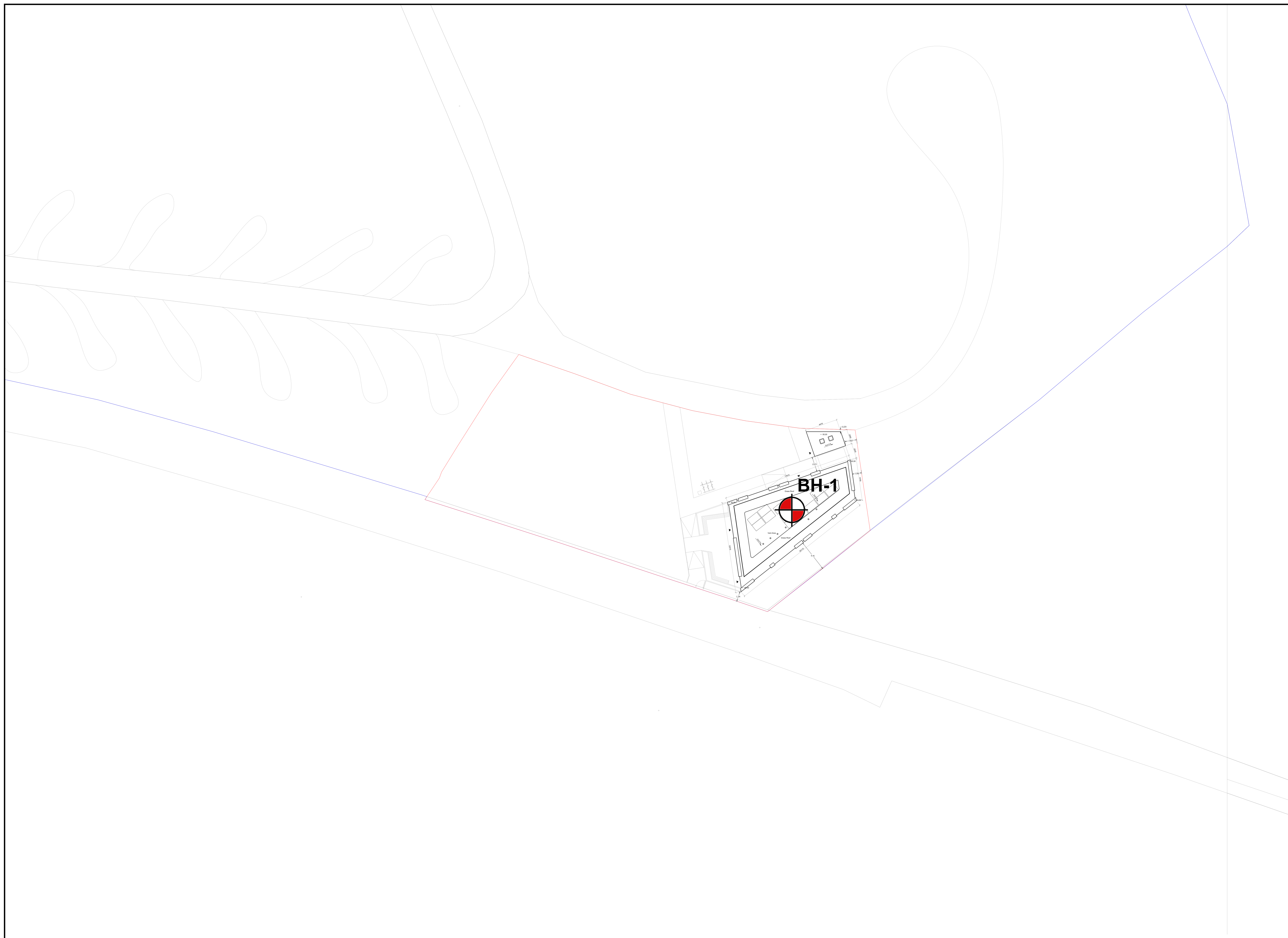
Declan Joyce B.E., M.Eng.Sc., C.Eng., M.I.E.I
Chartered Geotechnical Engineer

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Keel, Achill





00 Site Layout Plan
scale: 1:250

Irish Drilling Ltd. Loughrea, Co. Galway 091 841274, info@irishdrilling.ie		Drawing Title: Borehole Location	Date: 6.10.2022	Drg. No.:
		Date: 6.10.2022		

NOTES													
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LAND HOLDING shown thus													
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APPENDIX 1

BOREHOLE RECORDS



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BOREHOLE LOG

Project Keel, Achill				Location Keel, Achill, Co. Mayo		BOREHOLE No BH 1	
Job No 22MO113		Date 27-09-22 06-10-22		Ground Level (m OD) 5.96			
Engineer				GROUNDWATER STRIKES		Water strikes: Rose to (@ 20 min.): Sealed at: 1st: 2.50m 2.50m 2nd: 3rd:	
						Sheet 1 of 3 Rev.	

SAMPLES & TESTS			Water	STRATA			Geology	Instrument/ Backfill
Depth	Type No	Test Result		Reduced Level	Legend	Depth (Thickness)		
0.00-1.00	B		5.86		0.10	TOPSOIL Medium dense, brown, slightly silty, (medium) SAND, with some cobbles.		
1.00	CPT	N = 15 (2, 3, 5, 3, 4, 3)			(2.90)			
1.00-1.50	B							
1.50	D							
2.00	CPT	N = 17 (2, 3, 4, 4, 5, 4)						
2.00-2.50	B							
2.50	D							
3.00	CPT	N = 13 (4, 2, 3, 3, 4, 3)	2.96			3.00	Medium dense, greyish brown, slightly silty, gravelly SAND, with some cobbles.	
3.00-3.50	B							
3.50	D							
4.00	CPT	N = 17 (3, 5, 4, 4, 4, 5)			(3.80)			
4.00-4.50	B							
4.50	D							
5.00	CPT	N = 19 (6, 4, 5, 5, 5, 4)						
5.00-5.50	B							
5.50	D							
6.00	CPT	N = 21 (3, 4, 5, 4, 7, 5)						
6.00-6.50	B							
6.50	D							
7.00	CPT	N = 20 (2, 2, 2, 5, 6, 7)	-0.84		6.80	Soft black PEAT.		
7.00-7.50	B		-1.04		7.00	Medium dense to dense, dark grey and grey, slightly gravelly SAND, with some cobbles.		
7.50	D				(1.20)			

Boring Progress and Water Observations						Chiselling			Water Added		GENERAL REMARKS
Date	Time	Depth	Casing Depth	Casing Dia. mm	Water (bgl) Depth, m	From	To	Hours	From	To	
27-09-22	11.00	0.00	0.00	200							Refusal of shell & auger at 9.2m
27-09-22	17.00	7.00	7.00	200	4.0						
28-09-22	08.00	7.00	7.00	200	2.58						

All dimensions in metres Scale 1:50	Client: Mayo Co. Council	Method/ Plant Used	Bit Design	Driller	Logged By
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BOREHOLE LOG

Project Keel, Achill			Location Keel, Achill, Co. Mayo		BOREHOLE No BH 1
Job No 22MO113	Date 27-09-22 06-10-22	Ground Level (m OD) 5.96	Co-Ordinates () E 463,923.5 N 804,751.7		
Engineer			GROUNDWATER STRIKES Water strikes: Rose to (@ 20 min.): Sealed at: 1st: 2.50m 2.50m 2nd: 3rd:		Sheet 2 of 3 Rev.

SAMPLES & TESTS			Water	STRATA			Geology	Instrument/ Backfill
Depth	Type No	Test Result		Reduced Level	Legend	Depth (Thickness)		
8.00	CPT	N = 33 (3, 6, 8, 8, 8, 9)	-2.24	(1.00)	8.20	Dense, grey, silty, sandy GRAVEL, with some cobbles.		
8.00-8.50 8.00	B D							
9.00	CPT	25 Seating Blows for 100 mm (15, 10)	-3.24		9.20	Borehole continued as a Cored Drillhole		
9.00	D							

Boring Progress and Water Observations						Chiselling			Water Added		GENERAL REMARKS
Date	Time	Depth	Casing Depth	Casing Dia. mm	Water (bgl) Depth, m	From	To	Hours	From	To	
28-09-22	15.00	9.20	9.20	200	2.5	9.2		1			Refusal of shell & auger at 9.2m
06-10-22	09.00	9.20	9.00	97	2.5						

All dimensions in metres Scale 1:50	Client: Mayo Co. Council	Method/ Plant Used	Bit Design	Driller	Logged By
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DRILLHOLE LOG

Project Keel, Achill			Location Keel, Achill, Co. Mayo		DRILLHOLE No BH 1
Job No 22MO113	Date 27-09-22 06-10-22	Ground Level (m OD) 5.96	Co-Ordinates () E 463,923.5 N 804,751.7		
Engineer				Sheet 3 of 3 Rev.	

RUN DETAILS					STRATA			Geology	Instrument/ Backfill	
Depth Date	TCR (SCR) RQD	(SPT) Fracture Spacing	Red'cd Level	Legend	Depth (Thick- ness)	DESCRIPTION				
						Discontinuities	Detail	Main		
08.00	66 (-)	-	-3.24		9.20			Subangular to rounded, fine to coarse, assorted sandstone and metamorphic GRAVEL, with a little coarse sand.		
10.50	40 (-)	-			(3.70)					
12.00										
	60 (36)	15	-6.94		12.90	12.90 - 16.70 Closely and locally very closely spaced, dipping 10 to 15 deg's, stepped, smooth, with 0.5mm to 1mm micaceous silt smear		Weak to medium strong, thinly foliated, grey and white felsic mica, fine to medium grained SCHIST.		
14.00										
	100 (91)	18			(3.80)			14.6m - 14.7m: medium strong, with a little brown silt		
15.50										
	100 (78)	20						15.7m - 16.3m: very strong QUARTZITE inclusion		
16.10		16	-10.74		16.70					
16.70										

IDL AGS UK DH (SPTS) KEEL ACHILL 2022.GPJ IDL TP TEMPLATE.GDT 2/12/22

Drilling Progress and Water Observations								Rotary Flush				GENERAL REMARKS
Date	Time	Depth	Casing Depth	Casing Dia	Core Dia mm	Water Strike	Water Standing	From (m)	To (m)	Type	Return (%)	
28-09-22	15.00	9.20	9.20	200			2.50					
06-10-22	09.00	9.20	9.00	97	65		2.50					
06-10-22	17.00	16.70	9.00	97	65		2.50					

All dimensions in metres Scale 1:50	Client: Mayo Co. Council	Method/ Plant Used	Bit Design	Driller	Logged By
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APPENDIX 2

LABORATORY TEST RESULTS

CONTRACT: Keel Achill
 Client: Mayo Co. Council
 Engineer:


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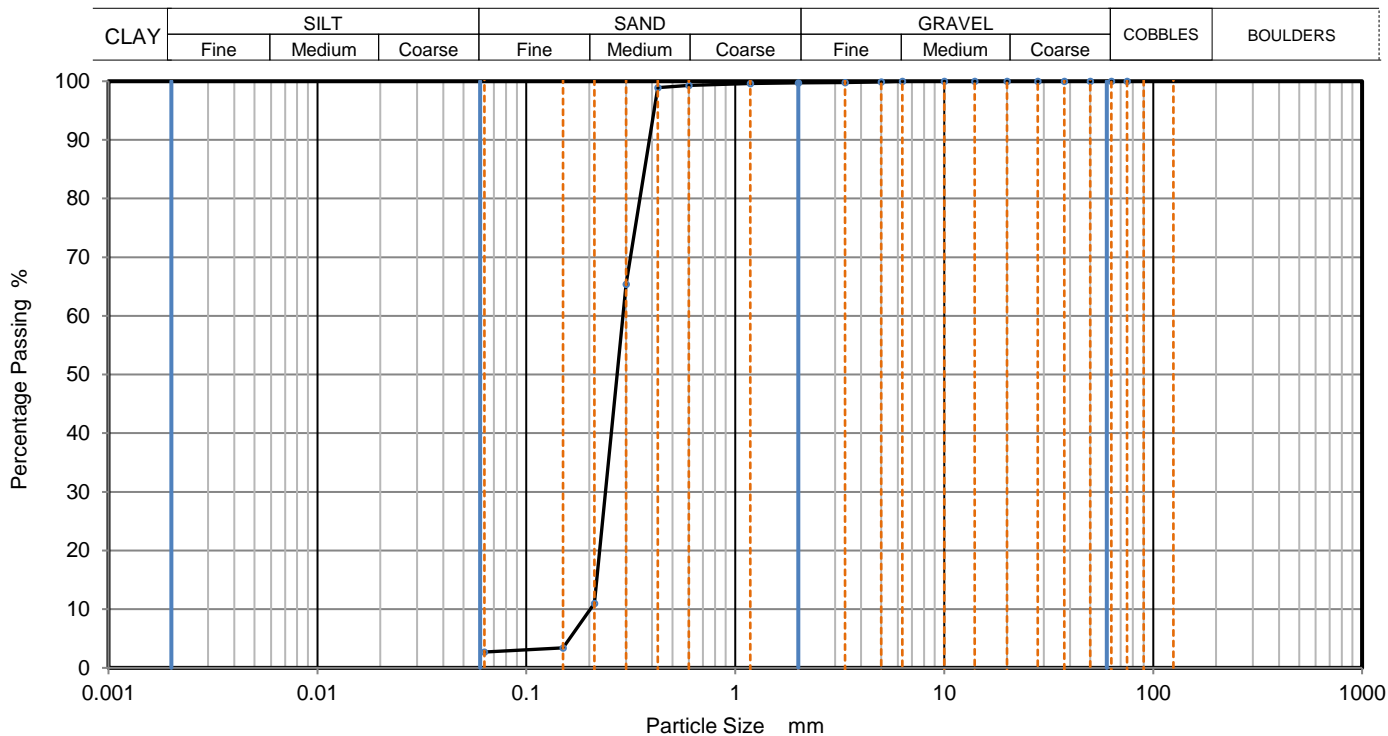
Schedule:
 Date: 16.11.22
 Scheduled B DJ

BH/TP No.	Sample Type	Sample Depth	Classification		Bulk Density	PSD	Hydro	Earthworks		* Specify Rammer			Settlement	Strength		FALL CONE	Shear Box	Chemical				Organic Content	Remarks/Loading
			MC (%)	Atterberg Limits				5-point MCV	CBR 1 point*	MCV 1 Point	5 Point Comp only*	5 Point Comp with CBR*		Consol (Oed)	Triaxial (Q-U)			Triaxial (Con-U)	SO3	pH	Chloride		
BH 1	B	0.0 - 1.0																					
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	D	3.00	1																				
	B	3.0 - 3.5																					
	D	4.00	1			1																	
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	D	8.00	1																				
	B	8.0 - 8.5																					
	D	9.00	1																				

Tests scheduled:
 Test completed

9	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	
9	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0

	PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION		Job Ref	2022MO113	
			Borehole/Pit No.	Keel BH01	
Site Name	Mayo Beaches		Sample No.	5	
Soil Description	Black-brown slightly silty medium SAND.		Depth, m	2.00	
Specimen Reference		Specimen Depth	m	Sample Type	B
Test Method	BS1377:Part 2:1990, clause 9.2		KeyLAB ID	IDL12022111619	



Sieving		Sedimentation	
Particle Size mm	% Passing	Particle Size mm	% Passing
75	100		
63	100		
50	100		
37.5	100		
28	100		
20	100		
14	100		
10	100		
6.3	100		
5	100		
3.35	100		
2	100		
1.18	100		
0.6	99		
0.425	99		
0.3	65		
0.212	11		
0.15	3		
0.063	3		

Dry Mass of sample, g

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Sample Proportions	% dry mass
Very coarse	0
Gravel	0
Sand	97
Fines <0.063mm	3

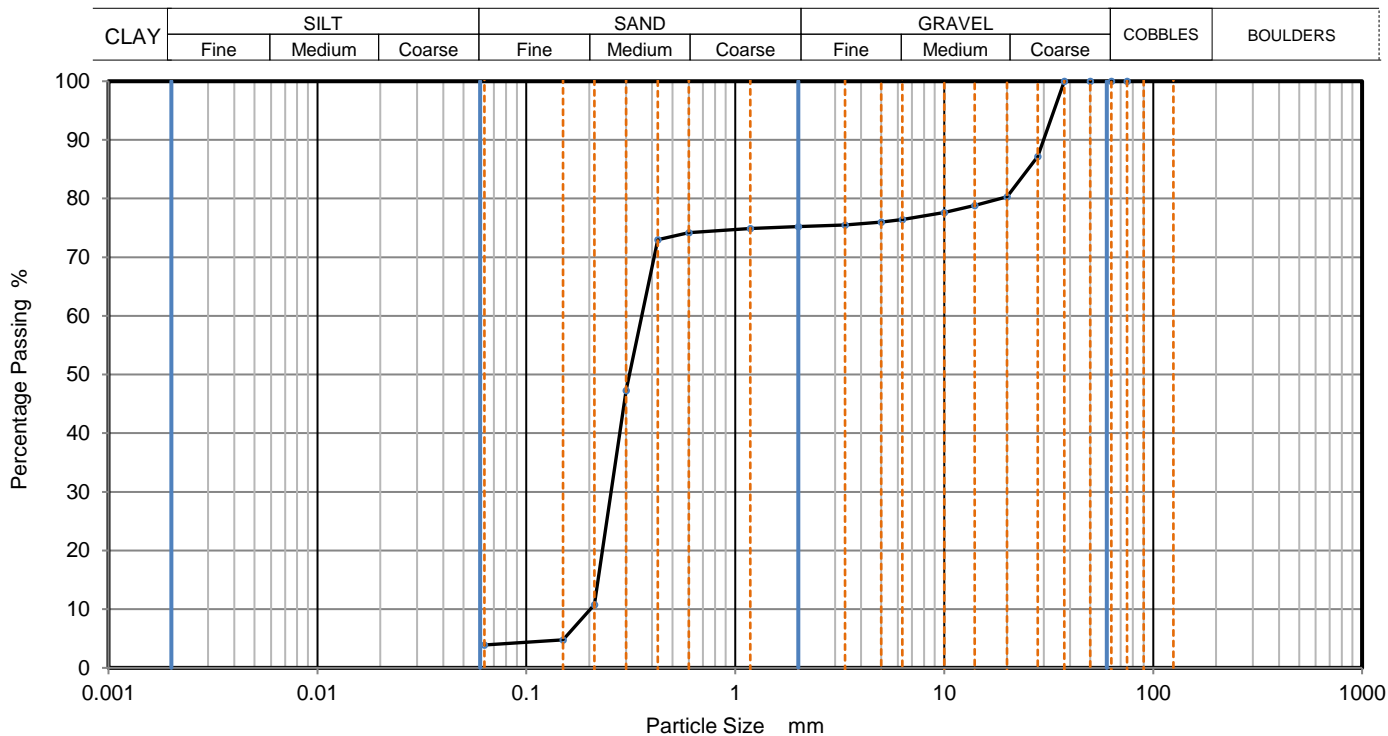
Grading Analysis		
D100	mm	
D60	mm	0.29
D30	mm	0.239
D10	mm	0.202
Uniformity Coefficient		1.4
Curvature Coefficient		0.98

Remarks

Preparation and testing in accordance with BS1377 unless noted below

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	PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION		Job Ref	2022MO113	
			Borehole/Pit No.	Keel BH01	
Site Name	Mayo Beaches		Sample No.	9	
Soil Description	Grey slightly silty gravelly medium SAND. Gravel is coarse.		Depth, m	4.00	
Specimen Reference		Specimen Depth	m	Sample Type	B
Test Method	BS1377:Part 2:1990, clause 9.2		KeyLAB ID	IDL12022111621	



Sieving		Sedimentation	
Particle Size mm	% Passing	Particle Size mm	% Passing
75	100		
63	100		
50	100		
37.5	100		
28	87		
20	80		
14	79		
10	78		
6.3	76		
5	76		
3.35	76		
2	75		
1.18	75		
0.6	74		
0.425	73		
0.3	47		
0.212	11		
0.15	5		
0.063	4		

Dry Mass of sample, g

757

Sample Proportions	% dry mass
Very coarse	0
Gravel	25
Sand	71
Fines <0.063mm	4

Grading Analysis		
D100	mm	
D60	mm	0.356
D30	mm	0.254
D10	mm	0.203
Uniformity Coefficient		1.8
Curvature Coefficient		0.9

Remarks

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Attention: Dympna Darcy

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

Date of report Generation:	29 November 2022
Customer:	Irish Drilling Limited
Sample Delivery Group (SDG):	221123-176
Your Reference:	22MO113
Location:	Mayo Beaches
Report No:	670153
Order Number:	11880

We received 2 samples on Wednesday November 23, 2022 and 2 of these samples were scheduled for analysis which was completed on Tuesday November 29, 2022. Accredited laboratory tests are defined within the report, but opinions, interpretations and on-site data expressed herein are outside the scope of ISO 17025 accreditation.

Should this report require incorporation into client reports, it must be used in its entirety and not simply with the data sections alone.

Chemical testing (unless subcontracted) performed at ALS Laboratories (UK) Limited Hawarden.

All sample data is provided by the customer. The reported results relate to the sample supplied, and on the basis that this data is correct.

Incorrect sampling dates and/or sample information will affect the validity of results.

The customer is not permitted to reproduce this report except in full without the approval of the laboratory.

Approved By:

Sonia McWhan

Operations Manager





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Validated

SDG: 221123-176
Client Ref.: 22MO113

Report Number: 670153
Location: Mayo Beaches

Superseded Report:

Received Sample Overview

Lab Sample No(s)	Customer Sample Ref.	AGS Ref.	Depth (m)	Sampled Date
27205921	KeelBH01	B5	2.00 - 2.50	27/09/2022

Only received samples which have had analysis scheduled will be shown on the following pages.



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SDG: 221123-176
Client Ref.: 22MO113

Report Number: 670153
Location: Mayo Beaches

Superseded Report:

Results Legend Test No Determination Possible Sample Types - S - Soil/Solid UNS - Unspecified Solid GW - Ground Water SW - Surface Water LE - Land Leachate PL - Prepared Leachate PR - Process Water SA - Saline Water TE - Trade Effluent TS - Treated Sewage US - Untreated Sewage RE - Recreational Water DW - Drinking Water Non-regulatory UNL - Unspecified Liquid SL - Sludge G - Gas OTH - Other	Lab Sample No(s)		27205921
	Customer Sample Reference		KeelBH01
	AGS Reference		B5
	Depth (m)		2.00 - 2.50
	Container		250g Amber Jar (ALE210)
	Sample Type		S
Anions by Kone (soil)	All	NDPs: 0 Tests: 2	
pH	All	NDPs: 0 Tests: 2	
Sample description	All	NDPs: 0 Tests: 2	



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SDG: 221123-176
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Report Number: 670153
Location: Mayo Beaches

Superseded Report:

Sample Descriptions

Grain Sizes

very fine	<0.063mm	fine	0.063mm - 0.1mm	medium	0.1mm - 2mm	coarse	2mm - 10mm	very coarse	>10mm
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Lab Sample No(s)	Customer Sample Ref.	Depth (m)	Colour	Description	Inclusions	Inclusions 2
27205921	KeelBH01	2.00 - 2.50	Light Brown	Sand	None	None

These descriptions are only intended to act as a cross check if sample identities are questioned, and to provide a log of sample matrices with respect to MCERTS validation. They are not intended as full geological descriptions.

We are accredited to MCERTS for sand, clay and loam/topsoil, or any of these materials - whether these are derived from naturally occurring soil profiles, or from fill/made ground, as long as these materials constitute the major part of the sample.

Other coarse granular materials such as concrete, gravel and brick are not accredited if they comprise the major part of the sample.



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Report Number: 670153
Location: Mayo Beaches

Superseded Report:

Table of Results - Appendix

Method No	Reference	Description
PM024	Modified BS 1377	Soil preparation including homogenisation, moisture screens of soils for Asbestos Containing Material
TM133	BS 1377: Part 3 1990;BS 6068-2.5	Determination of pH in Soil and Water using the GLpH pH Meter
TM243		Mixed Anions In Soils By Kone

NA = not applicable.

Chemical testing (unless subcontracted) performed at ALS Laboratories (UK) Limited Hawarden (Method codes TM).



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Client Ref.: 22MO113

Report Number: 670153
Location: Mayo Beaches

Superseded Report:

Test Completion Dates

Lab Sample No(s)	27205923	27205921
Customer Sample Ref.	CarrowmoreBH01	KeelBH01
AGS Ref.	B7	B5
Depth	3.00 - 3.50	2.00 - 2.50
Type	Soil/Solid (S)	Soil/Solid (S)
Anions by Kone (soil)	29-Nov-2022	29-Nov-2022
pH	28-Nov-2022	28-Nov-2022
Sample description	24-Nov-2022	24-Nov-2022



CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

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Appendix

1. Results are expressed on a dry weight basis (dried at 35°C) for all soil analyses except for the following: NRA and CEN Leach tests, flash point LOI, pH, ammonium as NH4 by the BRE method, VOC TICs and SVOC TICs.

2. If sufficient sample is received a sub sample will be retained free of charge for 30 days after analysis is completed (e-mailed) for all sample types unless the sample is destroyed on testing. The prepared soil sub sample that is analysed for asbestos will be retained for a period of 6 months after the analysis date. All bulk samples will be retained for a period of 6 months after the analysis date. All samples received and not scheduled will be disposed of one month after the date of receipt unless we are instructed to the contrary. Once the initial period has expired, a storage charge will be applied for each month or part thereof until the client cancels the request for sample storage. ALS reserve the right to charge for samples received and stored but not analysed.

3. With respect to turnaround, we will always endeavour to meet client requirements wherever possible, but turnaround times cannot be absolutely guaranteed due to so many variables beyond our control.

4. We take responsibility for any test performed by sub-contractors (marked with an asterisk). We endeavour to use UKAS/MCERTS Accredited Laboratories, who either complete a quality questionnaire or are audited by ourselves. For some determinands there are no UKAS/MCERTS Accredited Laboratories, in this instance a laboratory with a known track record will be utilised.

5. If no separate volatile sample is supplied by the client, or if a headspace or sediment is present in the volatile sample, the integrity of the data may be compromised. This will be flagged up as an invalid VOC on the test schedule and the result marked as deviating on the test certificate.

6. NDP - No determination possible due to insufficient/unsuitable sample.

7. Results relate only to the items tested.

8. LoDs (Limit of Detection) for wet tests reported on a dry weight basis are not corrected for moisture content.

9. **Surrogate recoveries** - Surrogates are added to your sample to monitor recovery of the test requested. A % recovery is reported, results are not corrected for the recovery measured. Typical recoveries for organics tests are 70-130%. Recoveries in soils are affected by organic rich or clay rich matrices. Waters can be affected by remediation fluids or high amounts of sediment. Test results are only ever reported if all of the associated quality checks pass; it is assumed that all recoveries outside of the values above are due to matrix affect.

10. Stones/debris are not routinely removed. We always endeavour to take a representative sub sample from the received sample.

11. In certain circumstances the method detection limit may be elevated due to the sample being outside the calibration range. Other factors that may contribute to this include possible interferences. In both cases the sample would be diluted which would cause the method detection limit to be raised.

12. For dried and crushed preparations of soils volatile loss may occur e.g volatile mercury.

13. For leachate preparations other than Zero Headspace Extraction (ZHE) volatile loss may occur.

14. For the BSEN 12457-3 two batch process to allow the cumulative release to be calculated, the volume of the leachate produced is measured and filtered for all tests. We therefore cannot carry out any unfiltered analysis. The tests affected include volatiles GCFID/GCMS and all subcontracted analysis.

15. Analysis and identification of specific compounds using GCFID is by retention time only, and we routinely calibrate and quantify for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzenes and xylenes (BTEX). For total volatiles in the C5-C12 range, the total area of the chromatogram is integrated and expressed as ug/kg or ug/l. Although this analysis is commonly used for the quantification of gasoline range organics (GRO), the system will also detect other compounds such as chlorinated solvents, and this may lead to a falsely high result with respect to hydrocarbons only. It is not possible to specifically identify these non-hydrocarbons, as standards are not routinely run for any other compounds, and for more definitive identification, volatiles by GCMS should be utilised.

16. We are accredited to MCERTS for sand, clay and loam/topsoil, or any of these materials - whether these are derived from naturally occurring soil profiles, or from fill/made ground, as long as these materials constitute the major part of the sample. Other coarse granular material such as concrete, gravel and brick are not accredited if they comprise the major part of the sample.

17 Data retention. All records, communications and reports pertaining to the analysis are archived for seven years from the date of issue of the final report.

General

18. **Tentatively Identified Compounds (TICs)** are non-target peaks in VOC and SVOC analysis. All non-target peaks detected with a concentration above the LoD are subjected to a mass spectral library search. Non-target peaks with a library search confidence of >75% are reported based on the best mass spectral library match. When a non-target peak with a library search confidence of <75% is detected it is reported as "mixed hydrocarbons". Non-target compounds identified from the scan data are semi-quantified relative to one of the deuterated internal standards, under the same chromatographic conditions as the target compounds. This result is reported as a semi-quantitative value and reported as Tentatively Identified Compounds (TICs). TICs are outside the scope of UKAS accreditation and are not moisture corrected.

19. Sample Deviations

If a sample is classed as deviated then the associated results may be compromised.

1	Container with Headspace provided for volatiles analysis
2	Incorrect container received
3	Deviation from method
4	Matrix interference
♦	Sample holding time exceeded in laboratory
@	Sample holding time exceeded due to late arrival of instructions or samples
§	Sampled on date not provided

20. Asbestos

When requested, the individual sub sample scheduled will be analysed in house for the presence of asbestos fibres and asbestos containing material by our documented in house method TM048 based on HSG 248 (2021), which is accredited to ISO17025. If a specific asbestos fibre type is not found this will be reported as "Not detected". If no asbestos fibre types are found all will be reported as "Not detected" and the sub sample analysed deemed to be clear of asbestos. If an asbestos fibre type is found it will be reported as detected (for each fibre type found). Testing can be carried out on asbestos positive samples, but, due to Health and Safety considerations, may be replaced by alternative tests or reported as No Determination Possible (NDP). The quantity of asbestos present is not determined unless specifically requested.

Identification of Asbestos in Bulk Materials & Soils

The results for identification of asbestos in bulk materials and soils are obtained from supplied bulk materials and soils which have been examined to determine the presence of asbestos fibres using ALS (Hawarden) in-house method of transmitted/polarised light microscopy and central stop dispersion staining, based on HSG 248 (2021).

The results for identification of asbestos in soils are obtained from a homogenised sub sample which has been examined to determine the presence of asbestos fibres using ALS (Hawarden) in-house method of transmitted/polarised light microscopy and central stop dispersion staining.

Asbestos Type	Common Name
Chrysotile	White Asbestos
Amosite	Brown Asbestos
Crocidolite	Blue Asbestos
Fibrous Actinolite	-
Fibrous Anthophyllite	-
Fibrous Tremolite	-

Visual Estimation Of Fibre Content

Estimation of fibre content is not permitted as part of our UKAS accredited test other than: - Trace - Where only one or two asbestos fibres were identified.

Respirable Fibres

Respirable fibres are defined as fibres of <3 µm diameter, longer than 5 µm and with aspect ratios of at least 3:1 that can be inhaled into the lower regions of the lung and are generally acknowledged to be most important predictor of hazard and risk for cancers of the lung.

Further guidance on typical asbestos fibre content of manufactured products can be found in HSG 264.

The identification of asbestos containing materials and soils falls within our schedule of tests for which we hold UKAS accreditation, however opinions, interpretations and all other information contained in the report are outside the scope of UKAS accreditation.

APPENDIX 3

PHOTOGRAPHS



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