

BR211 Radon Report

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Advisory report on the requirement for radon protective measures in new buildings and extensions

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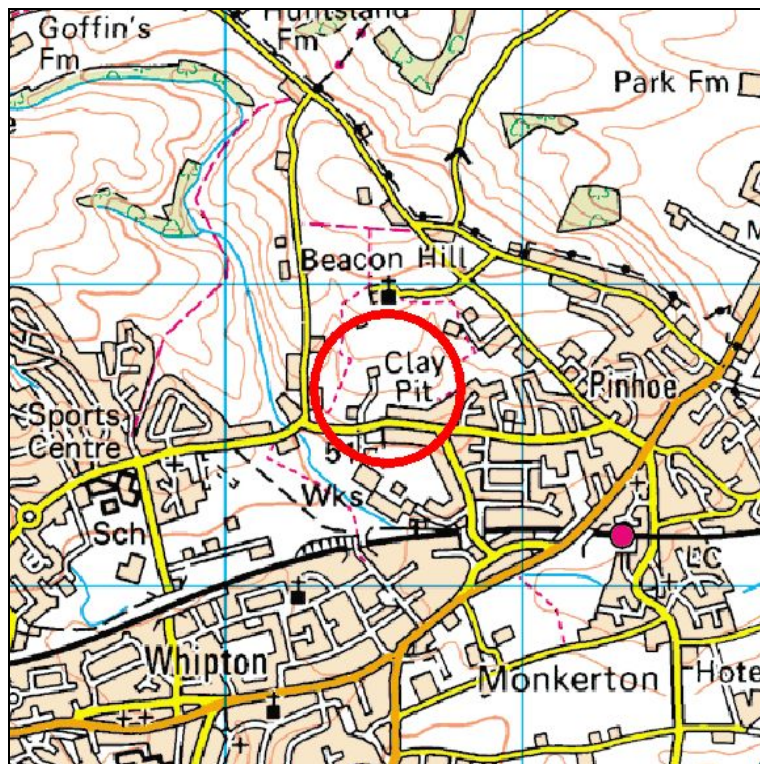
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Section 1: Location and extent of report area

Area centred at: 295550,94650

Radius of site area: 250.0 metres



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Section 2: Requirement for radon protective measures

The determination below follows advice in *BR211 Radon: Guidance on protective measures for new buildings (2007 edition)*, which also provides guidance on what to do if the result indicates that protective measures are required.

NO RADON PROTECTIVE MEASURES ARE REQUIRED FOR THE REPORT AREA.

The BGS is not able to provide advice on the technical specifications of 'basic' and 'full' radon protective measures. This information is detailed in **BRE Report BR211 :Radon: Protective measures for new buildings** which may be purchased from **brebookshop.com**. BR211 offers guidance on the technical solutions that are required to satisfy Building Regulations requirements. Summary guidance is available on the web at:
<http://www.bre.co.uk/radon/protect.html>.

If you require further information or guidance, you should contact your local authority building control officer or approved inspector.

Contact 020 7944 5758 or Email: partsac.br@communities.gsi.gov.uk for advice on the interpretation of guidance contained in BRE Report BR211 (2007).

Section 3: What is radon ?

Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas, which is produced by the radioactive decay of radium which, in turn, is derived from the radioactive decay of uranium. Uranium is found in small quantities in all soils and rocks, although the amount varies from place to place. Radon released from rocks and soils is quickly diluted in the atmosphere. Concentrations in the open air are normally very low and do not present a hazard. Radon that enters enclosed spaces such as some buildings (particularly basements), caves, mines, and tunnels may reach high concentrations in some circumstances. The construction method and degree of ventilation will influence radon levels in individual buildings. A person's exposure to radon will also vary according to how particular buildings and spaces are used. Inhalation of the radioactive decay products of radon gas increases the chance of developing lung cancer. If individuals are exposed to high concentrations for significant periods of time, there may be cause for concern. In order to limit the risk to individuals, the Government has adopted an Action Level for radon in homes of 200 becquerels per cubic metre (Bq m^{-3}). The Government advises householders that, where the radon level exceeds the Action Level, measures should be taken to reduce the concentration.

Section 4: Radon in workplaces

The Ionising Radiation Regulations, 1999, require employers to take action when radon is present above a defined level in the workplace. Advice may be obtained from your local Health and Safety Executive Area Office or the Environmental Health Department of your local authority. The BRE publishes a guide (BR293): **Radon in the workplace**.

BRE publications may be obtained from The BRE Bookshop, I H S Technical Indexes Ltd., Willoughby Road, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 8DW. Tel: 01344 404407, Fax: 01344 714440, website: www.brebookshop.com

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Section 5: Radon in existing buildings

Advice about radon, its health risks and details of how to order the radon test may be obtained from the HPA free radon answerphone 0800 614529, HPA Radon Helpline on 01235 822622, website: www.UKradon.org.uk or by writing to Radon Studies at the Health Protection Agency, address below.

Radon Studies, Radiation Protection Division, Health Protection Agency, Chilton, Didcot, Oxfordshire OX11 0RQ

Householders are recommended to follow the advice of the Health Protection Agency and test their home if it is shown to be in a radon Affected Area. In homes with high radon levels, the problem can usually be tackled with simple, effective and relatively inexpensive measures. These measures are comparable in cost to work such as damp-proofing and timber treatment. You can get practical advice about construction work to reduce radon levels from the Building Control Officer at your local council and from the website of the Building Research Establishment: www.BRE.co.uk.

Employers with premises in radon Affected Areas should also contact HPA or their Health & Safety Inspector for advice on limiting their employees' exposure to radon.

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