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LANGLEY'S LANE MEADOW

Records of Wells Installed

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The Institute of Hydrology was commissioned to drill and install three groundwater monitoring wells at Langley's Lane Meadow, Standlake, Oxfordshire at the request of Frank Graham & Partners on behalf of Drinkwater Sabey plc. The wells are required to act as an early warning of any alteration of water levels associated with nearby gravel extraction. In addition a soil piezometer was installed adjacent to each well to monitor the relationship of any water table conditions in the alluvial clay and soil to the water level in the underlying gravel.

The boreholes were cored to ascertain the nature of the sand and gravel in particular immediately beneath the alluvial clay. Clean sand and gravel was not found in contact with the alluvial clay; however at LL3A it was proved to lie only 0.18 m below the base of the alluvial clay.

The wells completed in the gravel aquifer were sealed with bentonite in the alluvial clay to prevent any preferential drainage path around the well which might have affected water levels recorded by the adjacent soil piezometer.

It has been suggested (Wilson, 1983) that if water levels fall more than about 0.4 m below the base of the alluvial clay, water in the gravel will be unavailable to plants. If the 'natural' fluctuation of water levels is at about the base of the alluvial clay, then a drawdown of 0.5 m may adversely affect plants. It is therefore important to establish the 'natural' fluctuation prior to any nearby quarrying activity. It is also possible that water levels may be raised as a result of quarrying activity, which may also affect plant communities adversely by e.g. waterlogging.

The drilling and installation data has been entered into GRIPS (a Groundwater Information Processing System developed by IH). The well records are presented as output from GRIPS as station details, lithologies, water levels and graphic logs.

REFERENCES

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STATION DETAILS

Station LL1A

Grid reference 3909 164

Location Close to N meadow boundary 13m E of Langley's Lane
boundary

Contractor IH

Rig type jack hammer

Completion date 4 Apr 95

Start date 4 Apr 95

Drilling techniques

flowthrough from 0.00 to 4.00

Drilled diameters

from 0.00 to 4.00 54.00 mm diam.

Reamed diameters

from 0.00 to 1.00 100.00 mm diam.

Formation sampling method unlined flowthrough bit

Coring/sampling depths

from 0.00	to 1.05	from 1.05	to 2.10
from 2.10	to 3.05	from 3.05	to 4.00

Water struck at *****

Casing type 2" galv. steel

from 0.00 to 1.88 50.00 mm diam.

Screen type perf. drive tip

from 1.88 to 2.48 50.00 mm diam. 6.00 mm slot size

Pack type natural

Pack construction

bent.pel	from 0.00	to 1.00
sand	from 1.00	to 1.30
natural	from 1.30	to 4.00

Development method air lift

for 60 mins

poor yield

[NB all depths in metres]

Station LL1B

Location same as LL1A

Contractor IH
Completion date 4 Apr 95
Drilling techniques

Rig type hand auger
Start date 4 Apr 95

augering from 0.00 to 0.75

Drilled diameters

from 0.00 to 0.75 100.00 mm diam.

Casing type PVC

from 0.00 to 0.40 19.00 mm diam.

Screen type C.grande cer tip

from 0.40 to 0.55 50.00 mm diam.

Pack type sand

Pack construction

bent.pel from 0.00 to 0.30

sand from 0.30 to 0.65

bent pel from 0.65 to 0.75

[NB all depths in metres]

Station LL2A

Grid reference 3905 144

Location At W corner of meadow 5m from boundary

Contractor IH

Rig type jack hammer

Completion date 10 Apr 95

Start date 10 Apr 95

Drilling techniques

flowthrough from 0.00 to 4.08

Drilled diameters

from 0.00 to 4.08 54.00 mm diam.

Reamed diameters

from 0.00 to 1.60 100.00 mm diam.

Formation sampling method lined flowthrough bit

Coring/sampling depths

from 0.00	to 1.23	from 1.23	to 2.18
from 2.18	to 3.13	from 3.13	to 4.08

Water struck at *****

Casing type 2" galv. steel

from 0.00 to 2.75 50.00 mm diam.

Screen type perf. drive tip

from 2.75 to 3.35 50.00 mm diam. 6.00 mm slot size

Pack type natural

Pack construction

bent.gnl	from 0.00	to 1.60
natural	from 1.60	to 4.08

Development method air lift

for 60 mins

mod. yield

[NB all depths in metres]

Station LL2B

Location same as LL2B

Contractor IH			
Completion date 10 Apr 95			
Drilling techniques		Rig type hand auger	Start date 10 Apr 95
augering	from 0.00		to 1.30
Drilled diameters			
from 0.00	to 1.30		100.00 mm diam.
Casing type PVC			
from 0.00	to 0.85		19.00 mm diam.
Screen type C.grande cer.tip			
from 0.85	to 1.00		50.00 mm diam.
Pack type sand			
Pack construction			
concrete	from 0.00	to 0.25	
bent.pel	from 0.25	to 0.60	
sand	from 0.60	to 1.25	
bent.pel	from 1.25	to 1.30	

[NB all depths in metres]

Station LL3A

Grid reference 3916 147

Location Close to E boundary of meadow 9m S of junct. of adjac.
boundary

Contractor IH

Completion date 10 Apr 95

Drilling techniques

Rig type jack hammer

Start date 10 Apr 95

flowthrough from 0.00 to 4.08

Drilled diameters

from 0.00 to 4.08 54.00 mm diam.

Reamed diameters

from 0.00 to 1.30 100.00 mm diam.

Formation sampling method lined flowthrough bit

Coring/sampling depths

from 0.00	to 1.23	from 1.23	to 2.18
from 2.18	to 3.13	from 3.13	to 4.08

Casing type 2" galv. steel

from 0.00 to 2.12 50.00 mm diam.

Screen type perf. drive tip

from 2.12 to 2.72 50.00 mm diam. 6.00 mm slot size

Pack type natural

Pack construction

bent.pel	from 0.00	to 1.10
sand	from 1.10	to 1.60
natural	from 1.60	to 4.08

Development method air lift

for 30 mins

good yield

[NB all depths in metres]

Station LL3B

Location same as LL3B

Contractor IH			Rig type hand auger
Completion date 10 Apr 95			Start date 10 Apr 95
Drilling techniques			
augering	from 0.00		to 0.90

Drilled diameters			
from 0.00	to 0.90		100.00 mm diam.

Casing type PVC			
from 0.00	to 0.75		19.00 mm diam.

Screen type C.grande cer.tip			
from 0.75	to 0.90		50.00 mm diam.

Pack type sand			
Pack construction			
concrete	from 0.00		to 0.25
bent.pel	from 0.25		to 0.40
sand	from 0.40		to 0.90

[NB all depths in metres]

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LITHOLOGIES

Grid Reference 3909 164

0.00 to 0.20	SOIL: firm brown (10YR4/3) silty CLAY
0.20 to 0.90	Firm brownish yellow (10YR6/6) silty CLAY
0.90 to 1.00	Medium dense yellowish brown (10YR5/8) very clayey silty sandy GRAVEL becoming more sandy with depth
1.00 to 1.68	Medium dense yellowish brown (10YR5/8) slightly clayey v. sandy GRAVEL
1.68 to 2.05	Dense yellowish brown (10YR5/4) very sandy GRAVEL
2.05 to 2.24	Loose yellowish brown (10YR5/4) fine openwork GRAVEL
2.24 to 2.76	Medium dense yellowish brown (10YR5/8) slightly clayey v. sandy GRAVEL
2.76 to 2.84	Medium dense strong brown (7.5YR5/8) silty very sandy GRAVEL
2.84 to 3.24	Dense yellow (10YR7/6) very sandy GRAVEL
3.24 to 3.29	Dense yellow (10YR7/6) fine SAND
3.29 to 3.37	Dense yellow (10YR7/6) very sandy GRAVEL
3.37 to 3.42	Medium dense yellow (10YR7/6) medium SAND
3.42 to 3.83	Dense yellow (10YR7/6) very sandy GRAVEL
3.83 to 3.88	Firm- stiff dark grey (N5) sandy gravelly CLAY
3.88 to 4.00	Stiff dark grey (N4) fissured CLAY

Grid Reference 3905 144

0.00 to 0.30	SOIL: firm very dark greyish brown(10YR3/2) silty CLAY
0.30 to 0.60	Firm yellowish brown (10YR5/6) silty CLAY with strong brown (7.5YR5/6) mottling
0.60 to 1.60	Soft-firm grey (N6) silty CLAY with brown (7.5YR5/4) mottling and roots
1.60 to 1.71	Loose-medium dense brownish yellow (10YR6/6) very clayey silty sandy GRAVEL
1.71 to 1.82	Dense strong brown (7.5YR5/8) silty very sandy GRAVEL
1.82 to 1.93	Dense brownish yellow (10YR6/6) silty very sandy GRAVEL
1.93 to 2.09	Dense pale olive (5Y6/3) silty very sandy GRAVEL becoming light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) with depth
2.09 to 2.42	Dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) very sandy GRAVEL
2.42 to 2.53	Medium dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) SAND
2.53 to 2.58	Dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) fine openwork GRAVEL
2.58 to 3.29	Dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) very sandy GRAVEL with fine openwork gravel between 2.64-2.81 and 2.86-2.89
3.29 to 3.30	Dense dark olive grey (5Y3/2) SAND
3.30 to 3.34	Dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) very sandy GRAVEL
3.34 to 3.35	Dense dark olive grey (5Y3/2) SAND
3.35 to 3.47	Dense olive grey (5Y5/2) SAND with some gravel at top
3.47 to 4.08	Stiff dark grey (N4) fissured CLAY

Grid Reference 3916 147

0.00 to 0.20	SOIL: firm very dark greyish brown(10YR3/2) silty CLAY
0.20 to 1.23	Soft-firm yellowish brown (10YR5/8) CLAY with grey (10YR5/1) mottling and some fine gravel and roots
1.23 to 1.41	Medium dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) silty clayey GRAVEL/SAND
1.41 to 1.64	Medium dense brownish yellow (10YR6/6) very sandy GRAVEL
1.64 to 1.71	Medium dense strong brown (7.5YR5/8) silty very sandy GRAVEL
1.71 to 2.58	Medium dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) SAND with grey (10YR5/1) SAND laminae at 1.87 1.98 and 2.01
2.58 to 3.59	Dense brownish yellow (10YR6/6) very sandy GRAVEL
3.59 to 4.08	Stiff dark grey (N4) fissured CLAY

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WATER LEVELS

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Water levels

Station No	Date	Time	Depth to water (m below datum level)	Elevation of water table (m above sea level)
LL1A	4 Apr 95		2.170	-
LL2A	10 Apr 95		2.170	-
LL3A	10 Apr 95		1.580	-



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LL1A

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Depth m bgl	Lithological log	Penetration Rate log (min/m)	Construction diameters 0.0 (mm) 150.0		
	SOIL: fine brown (10YR4/3) silty CLAY				
	Fine brownish yellow (10YR6/6) silty CLAY				
	Medium dense yellowish brown (10YR5/8) very clayey silty sandy GRAY				
	Medium dense yellowish brown (10YR5/8) slightly clayey v. sandy GRAY				
	Dense yellowish brown (10YR5/4) very sandy GRAVEL				
	Loose yellowish brown (10YR5/4) fine openwork GRAVEL				
	Medium dense yellowish brown (10YR5/8) slightly clayey v. sandy GRAY				
	Dense yellow (10YR7/6) very sandy GRAVEL				
	Dense yellow (10YR7/6) fine SAND				
	Dense yellow (10YR7/6) very sandy GRAVEL				
	Stiff dark grey (N4) fissured CLAY				



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LL2A

Grid reference 3905 144

Depth a bgl	Lithological log	Penetration Rate Log (min/m)	Construction diameters 0.0 (mm) 150.0		
	SOIL: fine very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2) silty CLAY				
	Fine yellowish brown (10YR5/6) silty CLAY				
	Soft-fine grey (N6) silty CLAY				
	Loose-medium dense brownish yellow (10YR6/6) very clayey silty sandy GRAVEL				
	Dense strong brown (7.5YR5/8) silty very sandy GRAVEL				
	Dense brownish yellow (10YR6/6) silty very sandy GRAVEL				
	Dense pale olive (5Y6/3) silty very sandy GRAVEL				
	Dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) very sandy GRAVEL				
	Medium dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) SAND				
	Dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) very sandy GRAVEL				
	Dense olive grey (5Y5/2) SAND				
	Stiff dark grey (N4) fissured CLAY				



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LL3A

Grid reference 3916 147

Depth • bgl	Lithological log	Penetration Rate Log (min/m)	Construction diameters 0.0 (mm) 150.0
	<p>SOIL: fine very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2) silty CLAY</p> <p>Soft-fine yellowish brown (10YR5/8) CLAY</p> <p>Medium dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) silty clayey GRAVEL/SAND</p> <p>Medium dense brownish yellow (10YR6/6) very sandy GRAVEL</p> <p>Medium dense light yellowish brown (2.5Y6/4) SAND</p> <p>Dense brownish yellow (10YR6/6) very sandy GRAVEL</p> <p>Stiff dark grey (N4) fissured CLAY</p>		