

Who can you rely on?





In 1999, the UK Government's Urban Taskforce recommended the introduction of standardised documentation to describe the condition of brownfield sites. However, assessment of these sites can be a complex task requiring knowledge and experience drawn from many different disciplines. This raises an important question: who has the ability, experience and professionalism to manage and sign off complex land assessments?

Many regulatory bodies and commercial organisations recognise the need for a specialist qualification that covers practitioners working in the land assessment and brownfield regeneration sector.

What is SiLC?

SiLC is an accreditation for experienced individuals who have demonstrated a high level of competence in land assessment during their career, and it is gained through examination.

In addition to personal expertise, a SiLC must have a clear overview of land assessment procedures; consequently, the value of SiLC status is increasingly being recognised by regulatory authorities and regeneration agencies.

The SiLC scheme is an industry-leading initiative that helps to enhance professional standards, assists with career development and imposes a strong, ethical code of conduct by which all SiLCs must abide. By choosing SiLC-accredited consultants for their projects, companies and regulators know that they will be working with experienced professionals who have demonstrable expertise and who can offer independent and authoritative advice.

Who administers the scheme?

The SiLC Professional and Technical Panel (PTP) is the ruling committee in all registrations. The organisations that make up the PTP are the

- Association of Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Specialists
- Chartered Institute of Environmental Health
- Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management
- Geological Society
- Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment
- Institution of Civil Engineers
- Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors
- Royal Society of Chemistry
- The Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland

CIRIA is the secretariat for the registration scheme on behalf of the SiLC PTP.

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