

Case Study



Eradication of Horsetail

Client - Keepmoat Homes Midlands

Project Length - 2 weeks

Project Value - £34,000

Project - Newtown, Birmingham

Key Issues

Due to active works that have previously taken place on site before occupation by Keepmoat, mechanical investigation was required to fully assess the likely volume of Horsetail rhizome which could be present on site.

Solution

Two trial pits were excavated on site, firstly in the Eastern boundary a depth of 1,400mm was still finding evidence of rhizome. Further to this a trial pit was excavated in the Eastern boundary which showed only a minimal rhizome present within the top 200mm of material. Analysis was done over both historic records provided by the client and satellite images available online to best establish the volume required for management and also the likely source of the infestation. The only viable solution to fit the clients' timescales was for excavation and removal off site to landfill.