## **INFORMATION ON METHOD STATEMENTS**

Method Statements are to be completed by the person undertaking the work (i.e. the Contractor). The Method Statement will enable the potential negative environmental impacts associated with the proposed activity to be assessed.

The Method Statement can only be implemented once approved by the ECO and ER.

The Contractor (and, where relevant, any sub-contractors) must also sign the Method Statement, thereby indicating that the works will be carried out according to the methodology contained in the approved Method Statement.

The ECO will use the Method Statement to audit compliance by the Contractor with the requirements of the approved Method Statement.

Changes to the way the works are to be carried out must be reflected by amendments to the original approved Method Statement; amendments require the signature of the ECO and the ER, denoting that the changed methodology or works are necessary for the successful completion of the works, and are environmentally acceptable. The Contractor will also be required to sign the amended Method Statement thereby committing him/herself to the amended Method Statement.

This Method Statement MUST contain sufficient information and detail to enable the ER and ECO to apply their minds to the potential impacts of the works on the environment. The Contractor will also need to thoroughly understand what is required of him/her in order to undertake the works.

THE TIME TAKEN TO PROVIDE A THOROUGH, DETAILED METHOD STATEMENT IS TIME WELL SPENT. INSUFFICIENT DETAIL WILL RESULT IN DELAYS TO THE WORKS WHILE THE METHOD STATEMENT IS REWRITTEN TO THE ER'S AND ECO'S) SATISFACTION. The page overleaf provides a pro forma method statement sheet which needs to be completed for each activity requiring a method statement in terms of the EMP.

# **METHOD STATEMENT**

CONTRACT: DATE: .....

**PROPOSED ACTIVITY** (give title of method statement and reference number from the EMP):

WHAT WORK IS TO BE UNDERTAKEN (give a brief description of the works):

**WHERE ARE THE WORKS TO BE UNDERTAKEN** (where possible, provide an annotated plan and a full description of the extent of the works):

# START AND END DATE OF THE WORKS FOR WHICH THE METHOD STATEMENT IS REQUIRED:

Start Date:

End Date:

**HOW ARE THE WORKS TO BE UNDERTAKEN** (provide as much detail as possible, including annotated maps and plans where possible, use additional pages if required):

## DECLARATIONS

#### 1) CONTRACTOR

I understand the contents of this Method Statement and the scope of the works required of me. I further understand that this Method Statement may be amended on application to other signatories and that the ECO and Site Agent will audit my compliance with the contents of this Method Statement

(signed)

(print name)

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2) ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL OFFICER

The work described in this Method Statement, if carried out according to the methodology described, is satisfactorily mitigated to prevent avoidable environmental harm:

(signed)

(print name)

Dated:.\_\_\_\_\_

#### 3) ENGINEER

The works described in this Method Statement are approved.

(signed) (designation) (print name)

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_