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**Subject:** RE: Brockham Oilfield

Dear Mr Green

Have you received any correspondence from Mr Tidswell this morning?  
Should Angus have closed the well head then if they observed that pressure? Given the well is now open do the works have to remain open and 24 hours a day for emergency or safety reasons?

Many thanks Samantha

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Folks

A few comments added – I will await contact from Mr Tidswell

Allan

**From:** Samantha Murphy EI [<mailto:samantha.murphy@surreycc.gov.uk>]  
**Sent:** 17 January 2017 17:13  
**To:** Paul Bradley; Allan Green; Steve Chatfield; Vincent Fowler  
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Dear All

Further to our tele con earlier this was the email I received from Mr Tidswell:

Yesterday at 16:00 we opened the well to commence the abandonment work program. We found the well to be live and decided to run in hole a kill / cementing string straight away and displace the well to heavy fluid. What was the SIDP pressure and the effective kill weight mud. If the well was opened at 16:00hrs and pressure observed why was it not closed in again and operations halted to the start of daylight hours when the kill operation could take place during daylight.

I asked the well to be displaced using an air pump (quiet) so as not to disturb people at night. This took us into the early hours but it was done very quietly. **What air pump was used that could develop sufficient head to circulate the kill fluid if the kill string was at TD of 756m**  
**For the site inspection we should request copies of the kill program and IADC reports to verify what operations were actually done**

Due to safety concerns that the well is live above the existing / old barrier downhole we wish to complete this abandonment section in a timely fashion for safety reasons. Once we have a safe well we shall go back to daylight operations only. **If the well has been displaced to kill fluid the well is no longer live**

The good news is we hope to now be completed with a safe, sealed and cemented well **within seven days**. Presuming it all goes well. Then we shall back load all equipment which without slow walking should only take 24 to 48 hrs.

I have just spoken with Mr Tidswell who has informed me he will be contacting you via email either tonight or tomorrow morning to explain the above in more technical detail.  
Mr Tidswell explained to me over the phone that they will be sending cement down the existing side track in the next few hours. They will run flow checking of that well. If the well is still live (as it is live at present) then they will mill out the plug and perform an operation.

I trust the above is explanatory. I believe Mr Tidswell will discuss the site visit with you.

Kind regards Samantha

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