

Case Study

Project

IDOM was appointed as Asbestos Consultant and Radon consultants for Little Chef and Travelodge.

Client

Little Chef/Travelodge

Budget

£1M

Overview

IDOM was appointed as Asbestos Consultant for the Little Chef chain of roadside restaurants and Travelodge the hotel chain. IDOM undertook asbestos surveys for the chain following a rolling programme lasting just over two years. The projects consisted of undertaking Management Surveys (formerly Type 2) of all properties owned and operating as Little Chef/Travelodge. IDOM also undertook Demolition/Refurbishment surveys (Type 3) when required.

Samples were taken of any materials suspected of containing asbestos and were subsequently analysed. The data collected on site from the asbestos surveys was entered electronically into a bespoke database (SiteMaster) during the investigations, by way of tablet style computers.

Digital photographs were taken of incidents of asbestos and compiled into a photographic report.

CAD drawings were also compiled indicating the location and type of all asbestos identified.

The SiteMaster database held all the survey data on a Web based server which was accessed remotely via the internet from the Little Chef/Travelodge Support Desk. As part of the contract IDOM also project managed asbestos removal works and implemented a full asbestos management policy.

IDOM were also involved in the preparation of a full Audit of the Travelodge Portfolio in Europe for the potential risk from hazardous gases. The study involved review of the geological and environmental sources of methane including coal measures, landfill sites and other sources. In addition, a detailed radon survey was carried out and high risk sites were instrumented to obtain radon measurements.

