

GSHPA - Thermal Pile Standard Develop

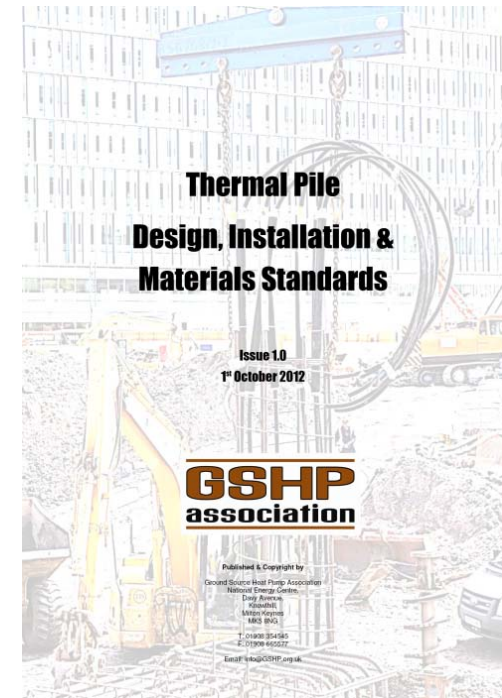
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Presentation Contents

- **GSHPA Thermal Pile Standard (Sept 2012) - Contents**
- **Responsibilities - Design - Contract**
 - Engineer and Contractor designs
- **Interfaces with M&E, GSHP Designer, Pile Designer**
 - M&E - Heating and cooling loads
 - GSHP Designer - Predicting pile temperatures
 - Pile Designer - Impact of temperature change on piles
- **Thermal /structural pile design**
 - Thermal stresses, Movements, Cyclic effects

Thermal Pile Standard – committee

started July 2011

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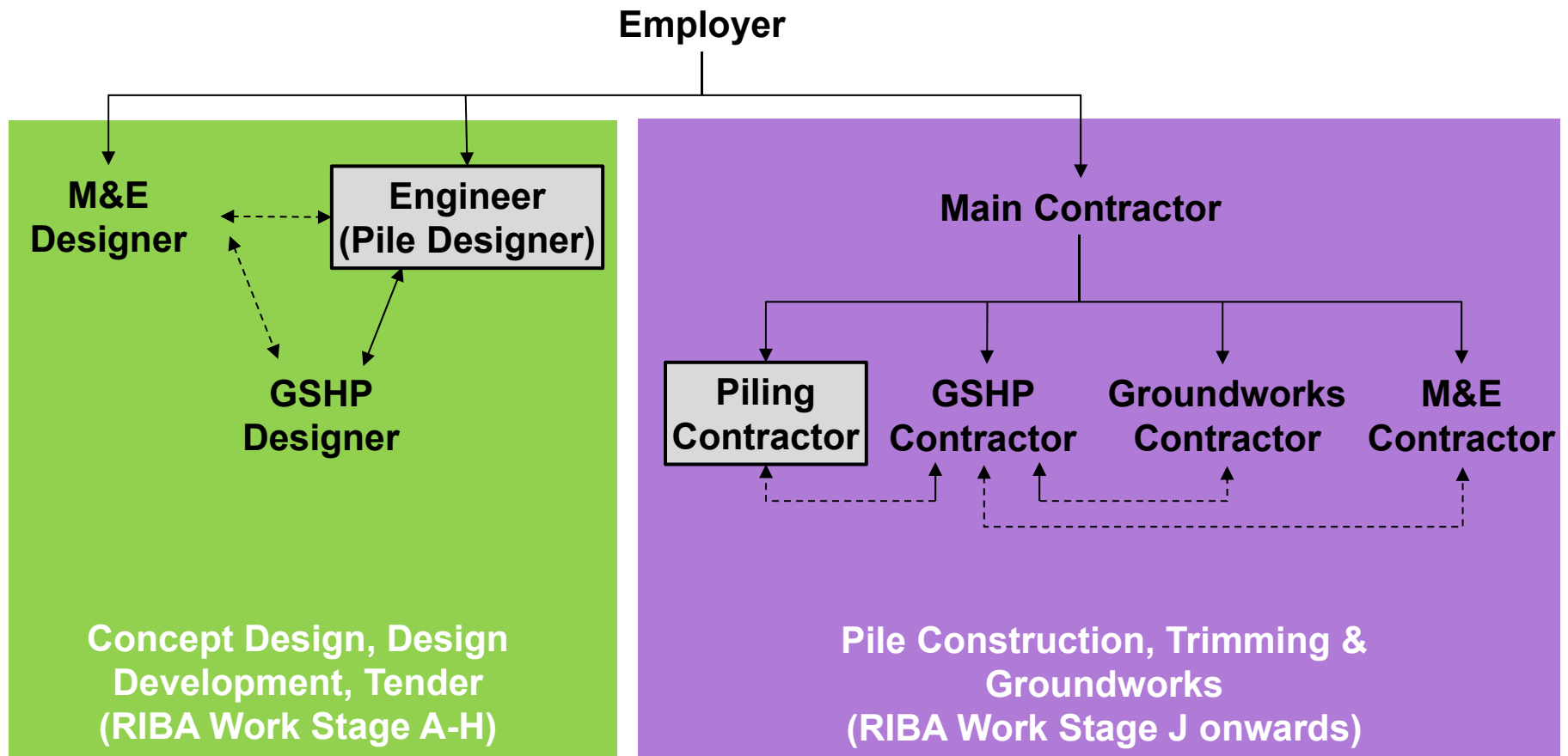
- Sec 1 Preamble (as VBS) - 1.2 Definitions
- Sec 2 Regulatory & Government Agency Req (as BVS)
- **Sec 3 Contractual Responsibilities**
- Sec 4 Training Requirements
- **Sec 5 Design**
- **Sec 6 Thermal Response Testing**
- Sec 7 Pipe Materials and Jointing Methods
- Sec 8 Thermal Pile Concrete
- Sec 9 Loops Installation
- Sec 10 Pressure Testing
- Sec 11 Indoor Piping / Values (as BVS)
- Sec 12 Thermal Transfer Fluids (as BVS)
- Sec 13 Design Drawings
- Sec 14 Monitoring and Checking
- Sec 15 Alterations



- **Appendices – Guidance notes**

- A Fluid temperatures (Fleur)
- B Thermal soil properties (Fleur)
- C Soil properties (Arup)
- D Load transfer mechanisms (Kenichi)
- E SLS design considerations (Kenichi)
- F Design charts (Kenichi)
- G Concrete conductivity (Fleur)
- H Thermal loops in pile cover zone (Arup)

3.2 - Contractual Responsibilities Eng. design

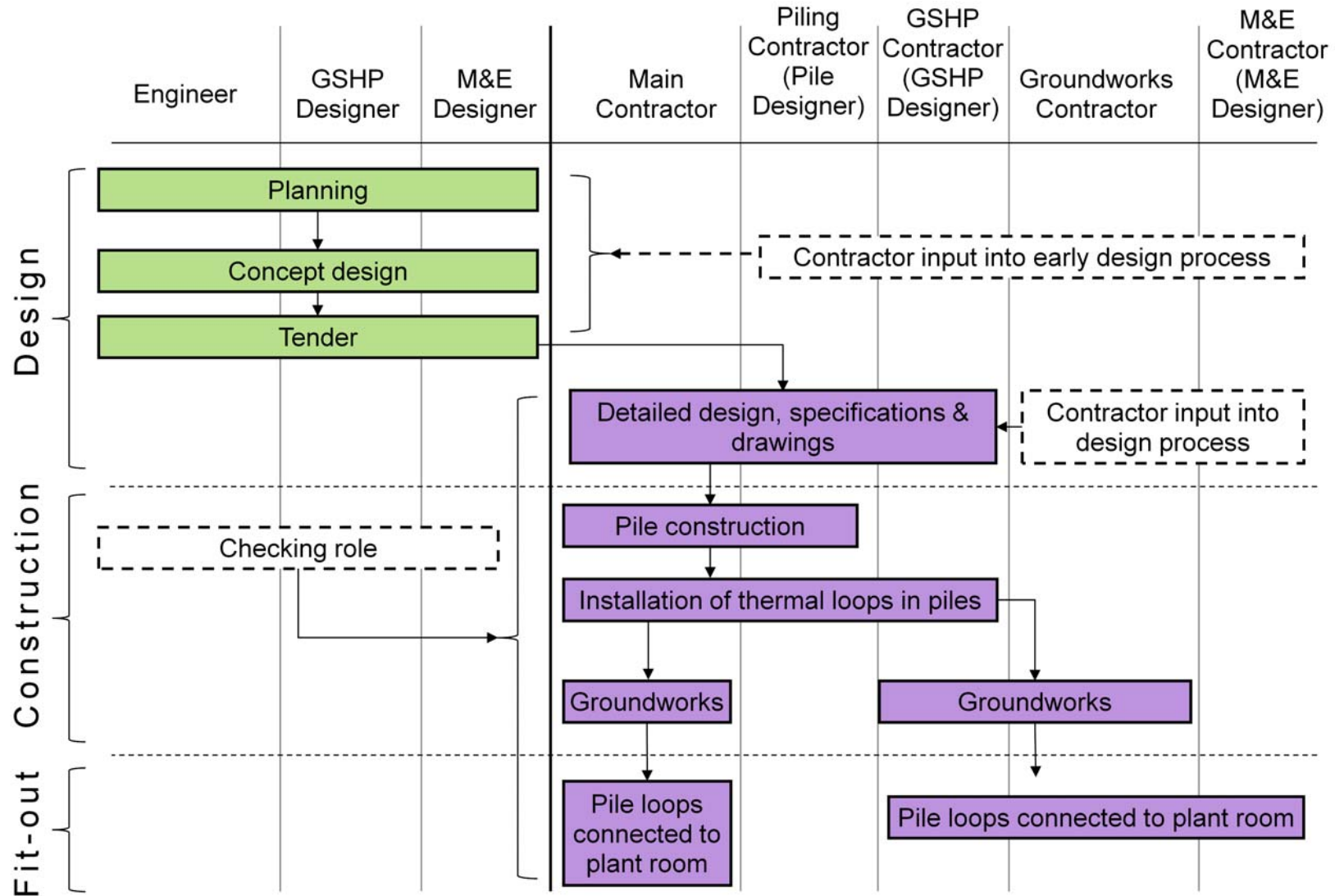


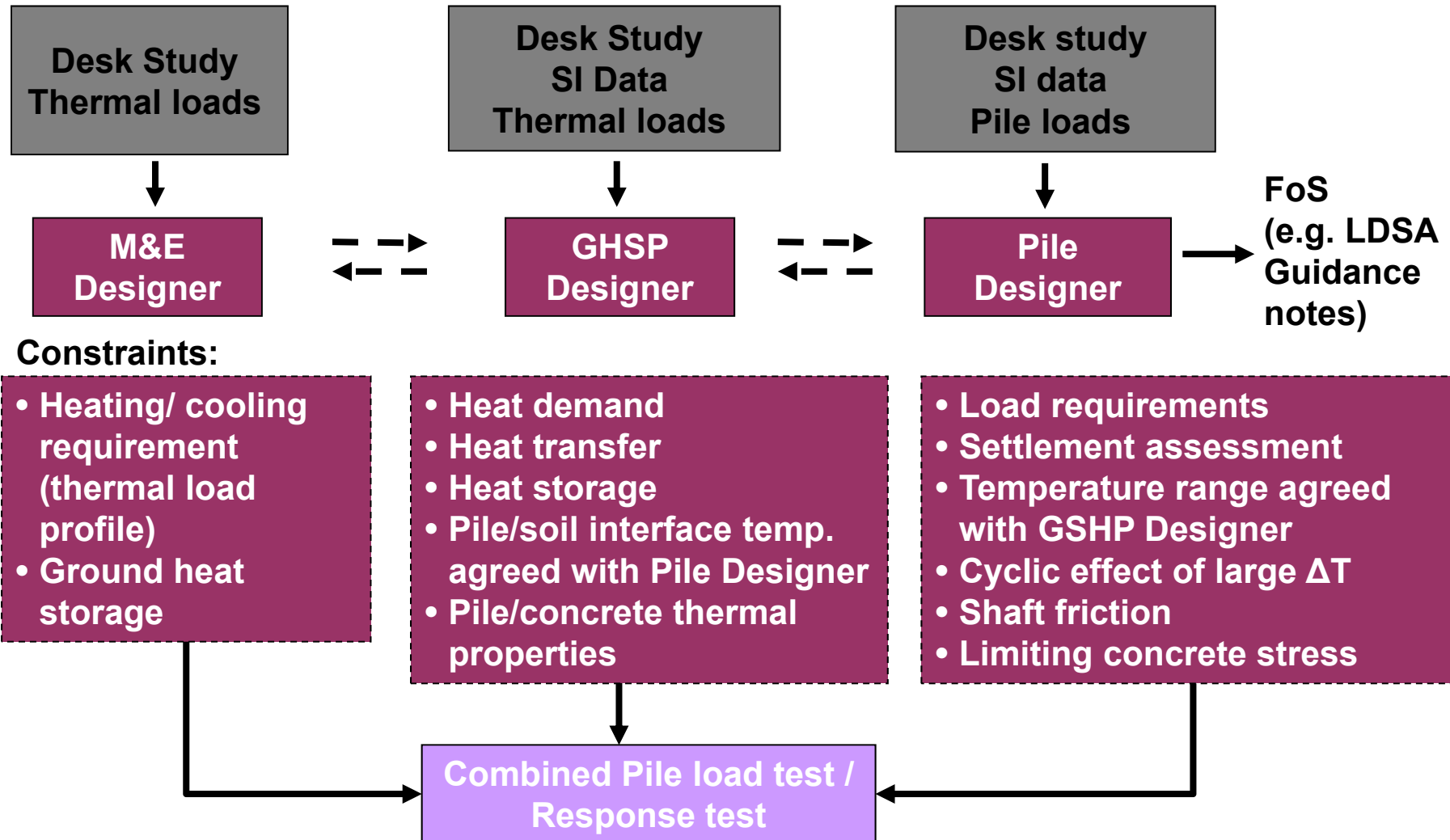
 Denotes parties with responsibilities set out in SPERW (2007)

← Contractual links

← Possible non-contractual links

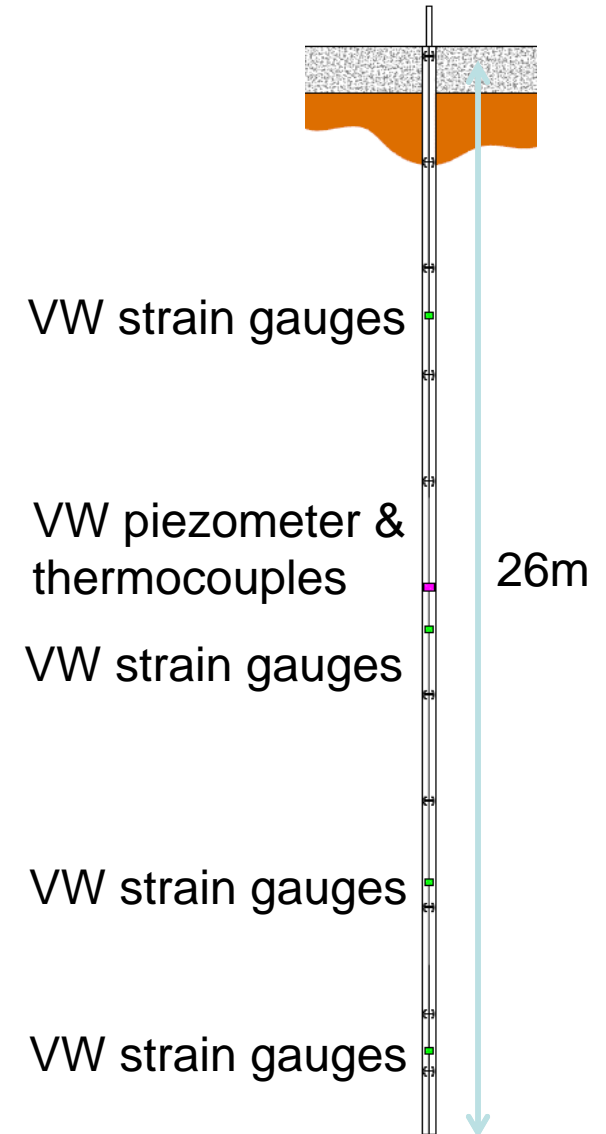
3.2 - Design process responsibilities - Contractor design





Thermal effects complicate traditional pile design

- TRT run on thermal pile
- Instrumented
- Pile/soil stress properties
- Pile/soil thermal conductivity



VW strain gauges

VW piezometer & thermocouples

VW strain gauges

VW strain gauges

VW strain gauges

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- Appendices - current data and further work
- **Further work**
 - Soil/concrete lab tests - thermal conductivity
 - Thermal response test - extended to piles and **effect of heat of hydration**
 - Soil behaviour - THM models
 - Mobilised shaft friction
 - SLS - increased concrete stresses with high temp.
 - Pipe tests
 - Scratch resistance – effect of concrete surround
 - Leakage tests - effect of concrete surround

Conclusions

- **Thermal Piles are used in UK** – few designers / contractors
- **Thermal Pile Standard gives framework** –
 - Main text - Specification
 - Appendices – Guidance and current state of art
- **Responsibilities** - Design and Contract - linked with SPERW
- **Design Interfaces** - M&E, GSHP, Pile Designer
- **Geotechnical design developing** - Soil properties & THM models
 - Do not let soil/ pile interface freeze