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Subject: Planning Application: AL/115/17/OUT at Wings Nursery

Dear Mr Vick

Thank you for your letter of 18 April notifying us that the TPO has been confirmed.

The email below was provided by our arboricultural consultant in relation to the objection by Bernie Harverson, dated 11 January 2018. I would be grateful if you could advise whether the concerns have now been overcome.

Best wishes

Richard

Richard Dollamore

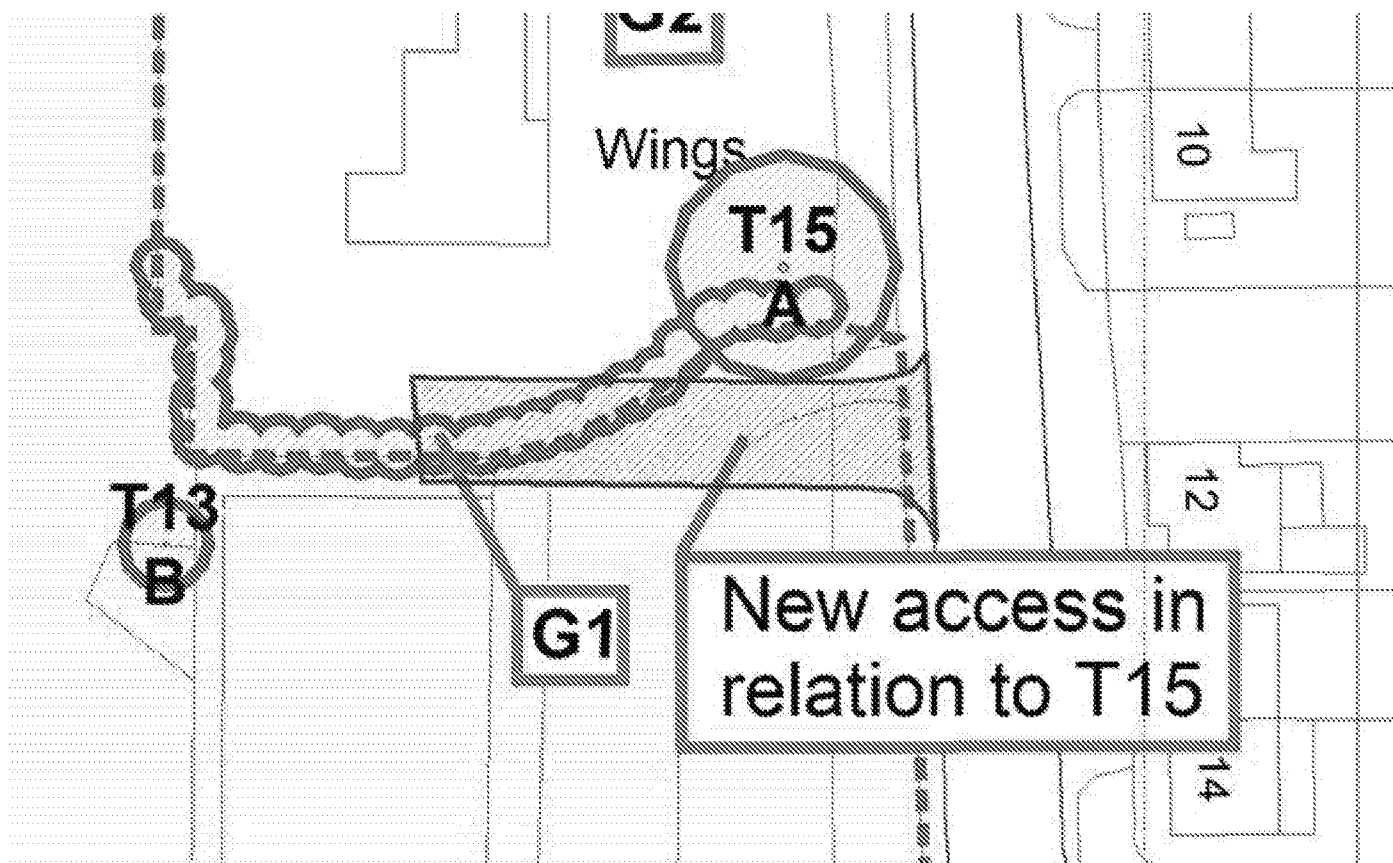
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Dear Michael,

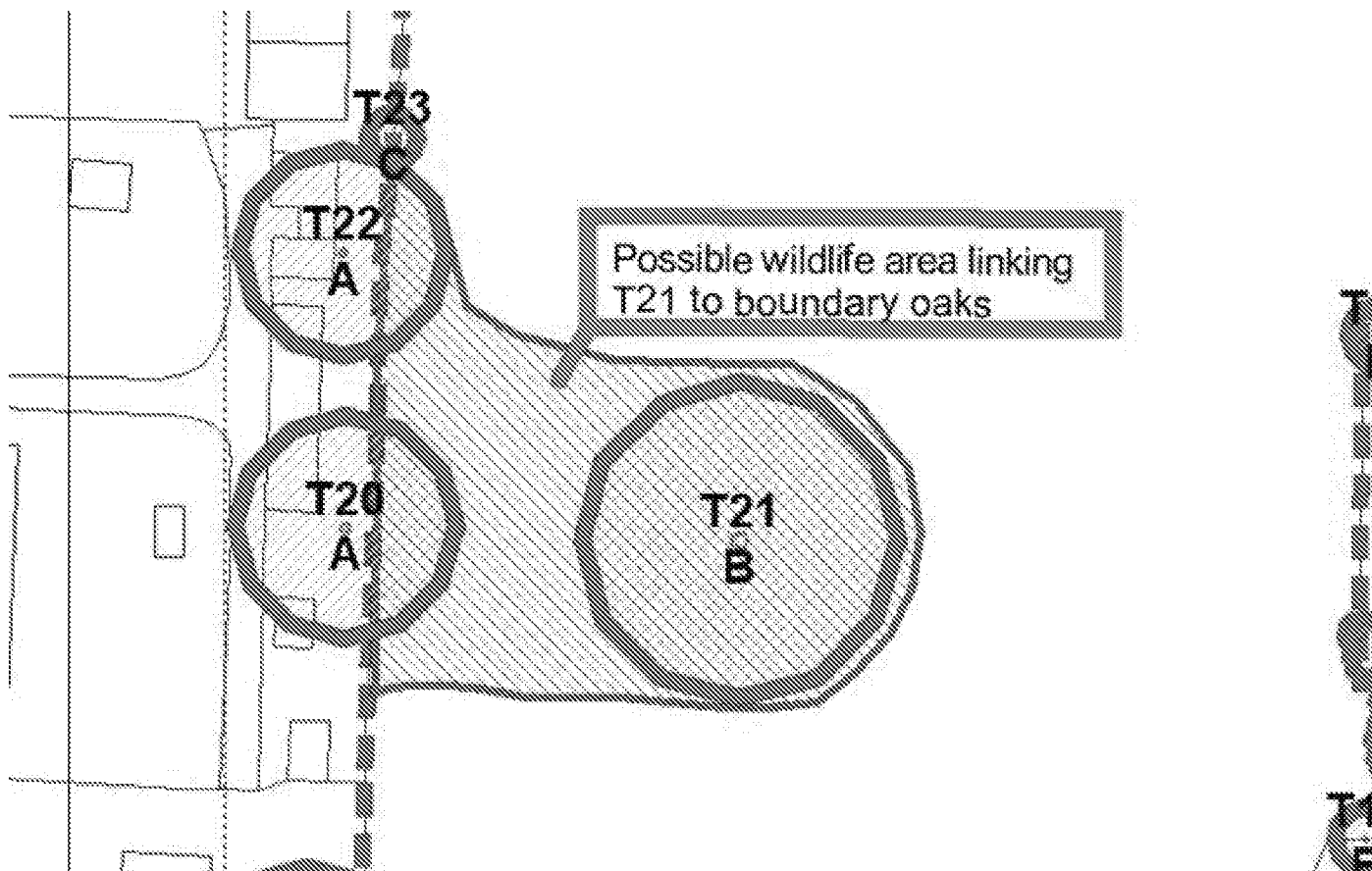
Further to our telephone conversation of the 30th I have now had a chance to look at your proposed site layout plan at the former Wings Nursery and have also read Bernie Harverson's comments. Although the proposed site layout plan doesn't show the root protection areas of existing trees it does appear that, with the exception of the category B English oak (T13), the siting of buildings and roads are within the developable area identified in our report (**Beechdown ref: B/0173/17**).

With regard to the prominent category A English oak (T15) in the grounds of Wings, there is an existing access from Lidsey Road where the main drive is indicated on your plan and as far as I can tell, although construction of the driveway will require the removal of part or all of the category C Leyland cypress hedge (G1), the northern edge of the proposed access drive barely reaches the southern extent of T15's RPA (see below) so it needn't be removed; however, tree protection, supervision and monitoring, as detailed in a conditioned method statement will have to be adopted to ensure that no damage to the roots or rooting environment occurs.



Construction of dwelling 55, although close to the category B English oak (T12), takes place beyond its RPA so it could be retained in the short –term; however, as the tree increases in size there may be pressure for future removal or excessive pruning. The proposed site layout plan indicates there will be extensive tree planting. Where space allows this planting should include specimens of English oak, sweet chestnut and perhaps field maples – native species that can attain large proportions and add maturity to the development proposal.

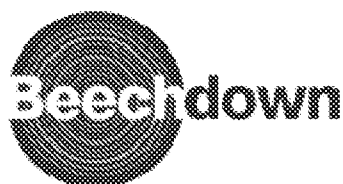
The veteran oak (T21) is identified as a tree with valuable habitat potential that should be retained and managed for both habitat and risk. The site layout plan shows a relatively large area around it and to the south-east that is undeveloped but a car-park between it and the western boundary. Although, with suitable working practices, construction of the car-park need not impact upon the RPA of the tree I am concerned that it may become a little isolated towards the middle of the site. If the parking spaces could be repositioned somewhere to the south-east of the tree and dwellings 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and the flats moved marginally to the south then it may be possible to keep a wild area linking T21 (see below) to the mature oaks beyond the western boundary. The existing coppiced field maple, elder and grey willow could be retained along with additional planting of low level, scrubby native species i.e. hawthorn, blackthorn, hazel, spindle, guelder rose etc. As well as the potential wildlife benefits this planting would limit pedestrian access to base of the tree and reduce the potential for soil compaction within the RPA. Restricted access to the tree would also reduce the risk of injury in the event of stem or branch failure and may allow habitat features – branch fractures, major deadwood etc. – to be retained that may otherwise have to be removed if the tree is in an area of easy open access.



I am happy to provide a fee proposal for an arboricultural method statement, tree protection plan and arboricultural supervision and monitoring if required.

Kind regards,

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