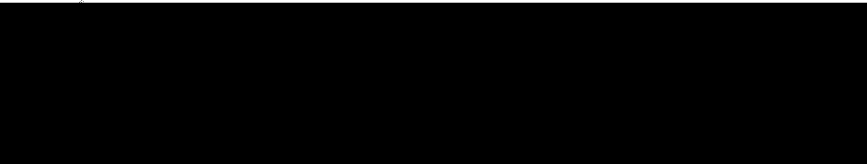


Zac Denton



Dear Mr Denton

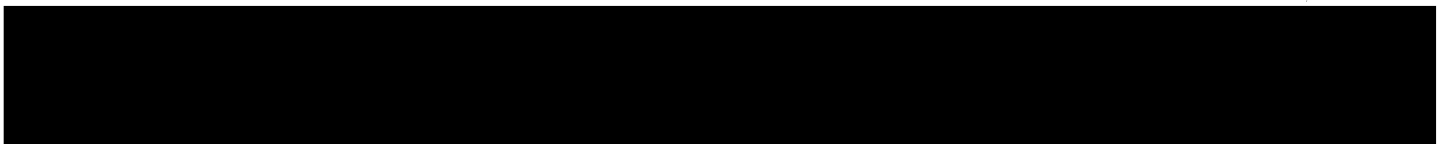
Thank you for your email.

With reference to the Silver Birch, the 'heavily pruned' was as a result of severe storm damage. But to expedite matters I would be happy to accept the Arboriculturalist comments if that means you can approve the application.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Mr Bennie Pieters



Dear Mr Pieters,

I have just received the Arboriculturalists comments on your application, as it stands, the application is set to be refused.

Here are the comments:

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Comments:

Corsican Pine *Pinus nigra 'Maritima'* Height: 8m Avge Spread: 4m Age: Young

- This tree is a sound and healthy specimen with significant growth potential.

Silver Birch *Betula pendula* Height: 8m Avge Spread: 4m Age: Semi-mature

- A tree that has been heavily pruned in the past and suffered as a result in terms of shape and form.

Conclusions:

Corsican Pine

- I can see why the applicant wishes to crown lift this tree as the low branches rest on the adjacent garage roof and this will result in damage to same over time.

Silver Birch

- The request to take 3m off the top and also 2m off the sides is excessive and contrary to BS3998 recommendations and would in my view undermine its visual amenity value.

Recommendations:

☒ I recommend **APPROVAL** to crown lift the Corsican Pine.

☐ I recommend **REFUSAL** for the 3m height reduction and 2m spread reduction on this tree and suggest they re-apply for the following:-

Reduce crown height by a maximum of 2m and reduce the lateral branch spread by a maximum of 1m.

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Following this, the application is set to be refused, however, I could amend the application with the Officers recommendation, as this means it is more likely to be approved.

I believe that if the description of works was amended, it would increase the chance of an approval and allow you to do the works to the trees.

Please reply within a week so I can change this for you.

Regards,

Zac Denton

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Dear Mr Denton

‘as soon as possible’ does not give me much of a clue....are we talking hours or is it still some days?
I just get the feeling now that your deadline of the 9 March has passed, this no longer is on your list of priorities.

Yours sincerely
Mr Bennie Pieters

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Dear Mr Pieters,

I am awaiting Tree Officer comments on your application. I will endeavour to provide you with a decision as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Zac Denton

Att Mr Z Denton

Dear Mr Denton

Thank you for returning my call last week. Just wondering if you could advice me on a date when the application will be decided?

As you know the decision date was 9 March 2017.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Mr B Pieters (the applicant.)

