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Dear Mr Davies

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We have been instructed by my Stuart Wilson of Wilson Designer Homes Ltd to provide arboricultural advice throughout the above mentioned development. Our role will be to provide on-going advice as well as providing on-site supervision when required. This letter is intended to include details required to discharge Condition 5 associated with the planning approval relevant to the site, and follows on from the meeting held between Bernie Harverson, Stuart Wilson and myself on the 30th November 2017.

These proposals should be read in association with our Arboricultural Method Statement dated May 2017

On-going site monitoring

It is proposed that a qualified and experienced arboricultural consultant will be on-site at all times when works are to be undertaken within the Construction Exclusion Zone around the RPAs of trees T3 and T4. In addition to this, the retained Arboricultural Consultant will also undertake a program of on-going site monitoring to ensure that all tree protection measures remain in-situ. Initially, this will be bi-monthly with the first visit being two months after the start date of works on-site. A record of all site visits to be made (including photographs) and a copy of the record sheet will be provided to Arun District Council within one week of the visit.

Sewer Connection within RPA

In-line with the requirement for site monitoring detailed above, the arboricultural consultant will be on-site during the installation of the sewer connection. This connection (where it is within the RPAs of trees T3 and T4) will be installed prior to the importing of the topsoil within the RPA of the trees. Although only limited excavations will be required, they will be undertaken in compliance with following methodologies:

1. Drawings showing the location of the proposed sewer connection will be provided to ADC and approved prior to undertaking any works within the RPAs of the trees.

2. Excavations will be limited to those in the location of the trench.
3. No machinery will be used for excavations within the RPAs of the trees with the excavations being undertaken using hand-tools and the spoil either stored on suitable ground protection within the RPAs or removed from the RPA using wheel barrows.
4. Care will be taken to avoid damaging or cutting any roots over 25mm in diameter. This includes avoiding stripping bark from the roots.
5. Roots below 25mm in diameter may be pruned back using a proprietary cutting tool such as bypass secateurs. If roots over 25mm diameter must be cut, this will only be done after consultation with the retained arboricultural consultant and ADC.
6. Where retained roots are to remain exposed over night, they will be wrapped in dry hessian sacking to prevent moisture loss.
7. Ground protection will be installed within the RPA of the trees wherever pedestrian movements are required. This is to avoid compaction of the surrounding soil which can lead to root death or reduced soil permeability. This ground protection will be designed to be suitable for the task being undertaken.
8. Any excavations will be backfilled using the excavated material and care should be taken to avoid damaging the roots. The back fill should be only lightly consolidated. Any hessian sacking should be removed prior to backfilling.

New top soil within the RPA of trees T3 and T4

To achieve the finished ground levels specified in the design drawings for the site, new topsoil will be imported into the RPAs of trees T3 and T4 once the proposed sewer connection is in place. This topsoil will be of high quality and will only be lightly compacted using hand tools to allow a firm base on which to establish new turf. The importing of the topsoil will be undertaken in the following way:

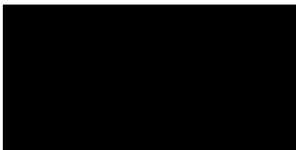
1. The works will be undertaken in such a way that limits vehicle movements within the RPA of the trees. This will involve working in a rolling operation, starting from the closest point to the trees and working backwards towards the limits of the RPA.
2. Only pedestrian or very small plant will be used and it will only operate from suitable ground protection designed to avoid compaction of the existing soil when within the RPA of the trees.

Tree protection barrier

In order to undertake the above mentioned works, the tree protection barriers will need to be removed / adjusted to allow access within the RPAs of the trees. This will only be undertaken under the supervision of the arboricultural consultant, and the barriers will be installed back to their original position immediately that the works are completed.

I trust the above proposals contain sufficient information to discharge Condition 5, but do let me know if you need anything further.

Yours Faithfully



Richard Harris
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