

Raymond Cole

From: Mark Warwick
Sent: 28 August 2020 17:35
To: Fiona Murray; Paul Bathgate
Cc: Raymond Cole
Subject: BE/103/19/RES - Land W of New Barn Lane, Bersted.

Hi Fiona

I attended site mid-afternoon yesterday to inspect the tree protection measures.

I am sorry to have to report that the fencing is in a state of disrepair all along the west and north boundary of the site. This appears deliberate and all panels, block trays and back stays are lying in the long grass. The scaffold framework where it is required remains in-situ. I can only assume that your fencing contractor has been re-positioning the clamps, which on a previous visit I noted were bolted on the wrong side – they need to be bolted from within the Construction Exclusion Zone to deter tampering.

I also noted there was no fencing/supporting scaffold framework installed on the verge outside of the main development site (red perimeter) to protect the Root Protection Area of the preserved oak (T1).

Please can you arrange for all the above refinements to be made in addition to ensuring all other tree protection measures are correctly located and installed (as per the approved plan and method statement), **before** inviting me to attend site once more. If necessary, you should seek the advice of your project arboriculturist.

Although I note it was your intention to send Groundwork contractors to site on Tuesday 1st September, this is clearly not going to be achievable. I would also point out that there is a formal application process which must be followed, when discharging pre-commencement conditions.

I await your further advice.

Kind regards,

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