

Planning Officer: Michael Eastham

Planning Application Ref: BN/86/19/DOC

Location: Land Rear of Lillies, Yapton Road, Barnham, PO22 0AY

Description of works: Approval of details reserved by condition imposed under ref BN/32/15/OUT relating to Condition Nos 12 - landscaping scheme, **13 - existing trees/bushes/hedges to be retained/protected**, 16 - ecological enhancement scheme, 21 - cycle parking spaces and 23 - screen walls and/or fences

13 The existing trees/bushes/hedges shall be/retained/protected in a manner to be agreed with the Local Planning Authority before the development commences for the duration of the development and shall not be damaged, destroyed, uprooted, felled, lopped or topped during that period without the previous written consent of the Local Planning Authority. Any trees removed without such consent or dying or being seriously damaged or becoming seriously diseased during that period shall be replaced in the following planting season with trees of such size and species as may be agreed with the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure the retention of vegetation important to the visual amenity, /the ecological quality/and for the environment of the area in accordance with policy GEN7 of the Arun District Local Plan.

Comments on Application:

- I attended site on the morning of November 21st, 2019, for a planned meeting with Paul English (Matthew Homes Ltd) who arranged access and accompanied me during the assessment of tree protection fencing. I had the following approved Tree Protection Plan to refer to:
- Barrell Plan Ref: 17160-BT2 Tree protection plan, from barrell tree consultancy, submitted in support of BN/32/15/OUT.
- The majority of tree protection fencing had been erected, correctly located and installed. The exception being an important eastern boundary hedgerow (H18) and large multi-stemmed Norway maple (T19) in the southeast corner of the site. **This exception has now been fully addressed, as evidenced by site photographs submitted with email from Thomas Griffin (Matthew Homes Ltd) dated 4th December 2019.**

Conclusions:

- **Tree protection fencing has now been installed as per the approved plan.** The construction exclusion zones stand a good chance of remaining effective and respected throughout key demolition and construction phases of the development.

Recommendations:

- I recommend 'signing off' on Condition 13.

Mark Warwick
Tree Officer / Parks and Greenspace Team