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Our Ref: **16835 - Let 2**

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Dear Mr Dudley

RE: TREE ISSUES AT 'VILLA MARIA', CAMPBELL ROAD, BOGNOR REGIS

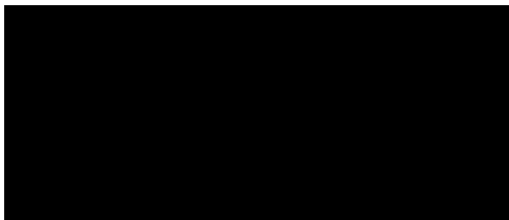
I write to confirm my instruction and subsequent visit to the above site on 14 February 2017 to undertake arboricultural site supervision. During our meeting I oversaw the partial removal of the floor slab of the existing building, so that we could assess the position and extent of any roots from nearby trees into the site. During my visit I took a number of photographs, some of which I have appended to the end of this report for reference.

The floor slab of the existing building (photograph 1) in the north western corner of the site (and closest to the offsite trees) was carefully removed. It was noted that the boundary wall positioned between the trees and the site extended well below ground level and this was seated on an existing deep footing. The existing building foundation was located immediately adjacent to this and internally to the east and south of the wall. I can confirm that our exploratory investigations found no tree root activity (photographs 2, 3 and 4) to a depth of approximately 500mm in the vicinity of where the new studio accommodation was to be constructed. We determined that the position of the wall, the existing building foundations and the depth of their construction was the likely cause of the lack of root growth from the nearby trees into the site.

As a precautionary measure, we agreed that the existing building foundations were to be left in place, with the slab removed and replaced with beam and block flooring with a clear void beneath. Any new foundations

were to be cast outside the perimeter of the old, so as to avoid unnecessary ground disturbance internal to the existing perimeter building foundation.

Yours sincerely



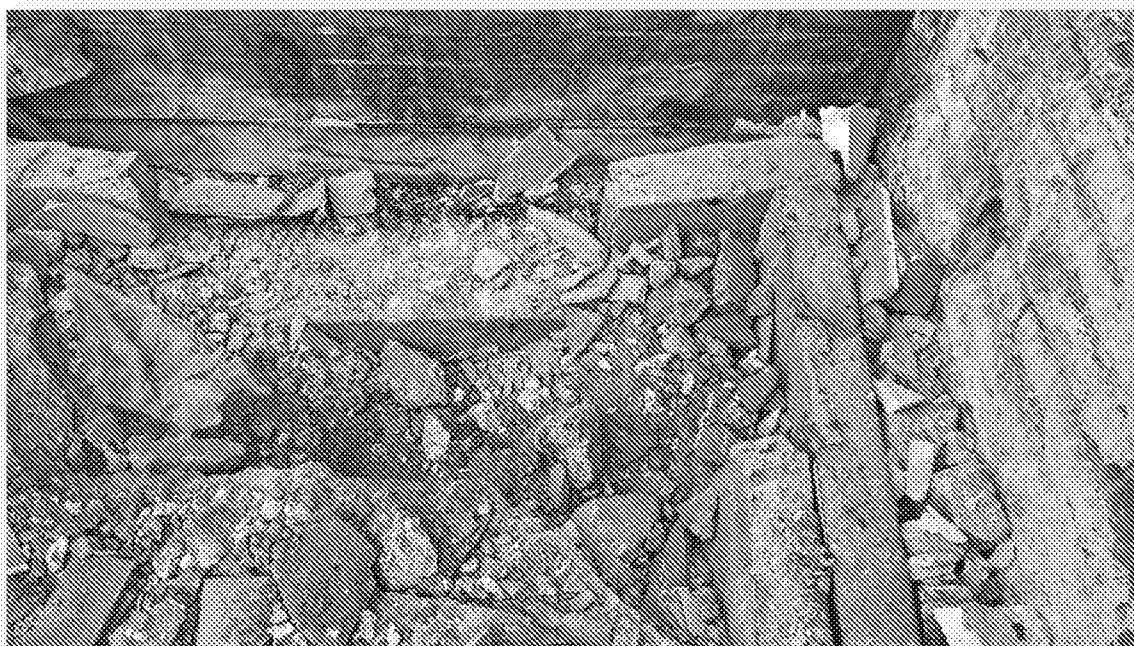
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Attachments: 1: Photographs

PHOTOGRAPHS



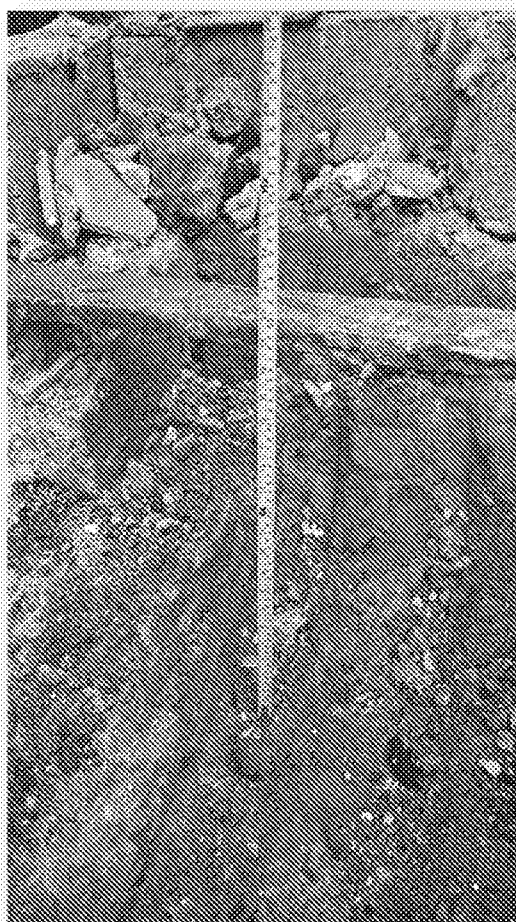
Photograph 1 – Floor slab of existing building



Photograph 2 – Partial removal of floor slab with building foundation evident



Photograph 3 – More complete removal of floor slab and exposure of building foundation



Photograph 4 – Complete removal of floor slab and exploratory investigations to a depth of 500mm