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From: Juan Baeza
Sent: 15 September 2011 16:47
To: Planning.Responses
Subject: FW: Greenoaks, Barnham EG/33/11 scheme

Can this be registered as landscapes comments on this application please.

many thanks

Juan

From: Ian Brewster
Sent: Thu 15/09/2011 16:00
To: Juan Baeza
Subject: Greenoaks, Barnham EG/33/11 scheme

Dear Juan,

thank you for your message.

With regard to the above scheme, the proposed access from the Barnham Road to the rear of the development site will require the removal of prominent trees, a group of Hornbeams T3 & G4 and individual Silver Birch T14. These can clearly be seen from Barnham Road, and provide good visual amenity and should be retained.

The loss of many trees within the site can be compensated as replacement planting within the space provided where the conifer screen is to be removed. A range of Indigenous species, of good quality, with some low shrubbery (Dog Rose, Wayfaring tree etc) is recommended. Adequate space for planting should therefore be provided in a staggered fashion within a width measuring 4m from the south west boundary. This will provide a natural, informal than an otherwise regimented line of trees and shrubbery along this boundary.

Natural England have been contacted and they state that the removal of the conifer screen should not affect Bats if compensatory planting will immediately supersede their loss. Stumps may require removal and all conifer foliage/chip arisings must be removed and replaced with quality multi purpose topsoil, with an approved ameliorant in compliance with the specifications outlined in the BS 3882 standard to provide an appropriate area for the successful establishment of planting stock.

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