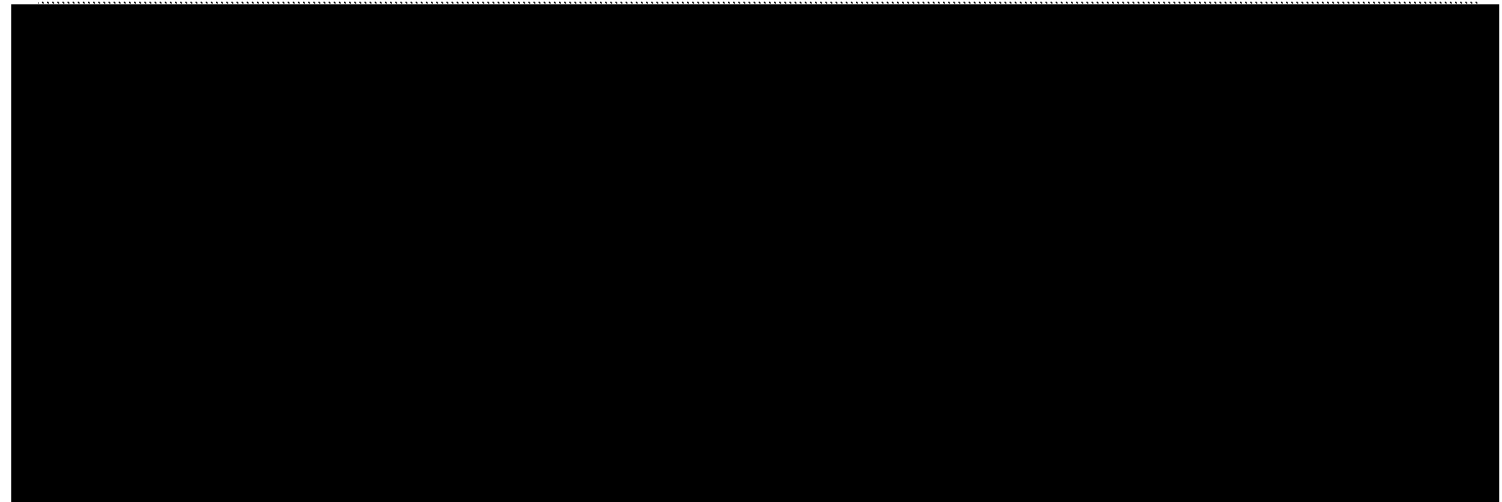



From: Bernie Harverson
Sent: 08 May 2017 21:18
To: Simon Davis
Cc: Richard Martin; Daniel Vick
Subject: RE: EG/57/16/PL - Land adjacent to the Croft Practice

Simon,

I am obviously disappointed with this decision as I do not agree with DLA that this is acceptable as in my opinion it will have an adverse impact on the tree given that there will have to be mitigation works to 'make it fit'. However, I accept that I am only the advisor in this process and that it is for you as Planners to make the ultimate decision.

I will focus my attention on the Planning Conditions which will need to cater for a Method Statement being submitted and approved prior to any work being undertaken out on site – I suggest the following:-

1. All construction works are to be carried out in strict accordance with **an Arboricultural Method Statement and Tree Protection Plan which is to be submitted to Arun DC and must receive their written approval before any excavation works; changes in levels or introduction of machinery onto the site takes place**
2. Prior to any construction works taking place or the introduction of machinery and plant to the site the following issues must be resolved to the complete satisfaction of Arun District Council :-
 - A **PRE-COMMENCEMENT Site Meeting** is to take place between the Arun DC Tree Officer and the Arboricultural Consultant representing the site owners – at this meeting all protective fencing will be inspected along with mitigation ground protection measures – they will be assessed to verify that they are 'Fit for Purpose' as required under British Standard 5837:2012 and have been erected and positioned exactly as shown on the submitted **Tree Protection Plan**.
 - IF there is deemed to be a need for any Utility Service Route connections to bisect retained tree Root Protection Areas/Zones then prior to their installation a Method Statement prepared by an Arboricultural Expert must be

submitted that stipulates how this can be achieved without adverse impact on tree roots. Written approval and confirmation of acceptance of this Methodology must be issued before any works are commenced out on site.

REASONS :

To comply with BS5837 and to ensure that retained trees are afforded due respect and appropriate levels of protection such that their ongoing health and vitality is not compromised and they can continue to enhance the landscape and amenity of the area.

Best regards,
Bernie Harverson

From: Simon Davis [<mailto:Simon.Davis@arun.gov.uk>]
Sent: Thursday, May 4, 2017 4:20 PM
To: Bernie Harverson
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Subject: RE: EG/57/16/PL - Land adjacent to the Croft Practice

Dear Bernie,

I have put your comments back to the applicant. They have stated that:

“Thanks for your email, which we have subsequently discussed on the telephone. We were disappointed with the response from your Consultant Arboriculturist. The advice from DLA is that the scheme, as amended, is perfectly acceptable in arboricultural terms in relation to the oak tree. Whilst inevitably further changes could be made to the scheme to further distance any development from the tree, this would have implications for other elements of the development. Ultimately, our client – and you as planning authority – must balance the issues so that the scheme delivers the objectives in a suitable form.

The proposed development will bring significant local benefits to this part of the district through the provision of a much improved health centre on the site. There should be no unacceptable effect on the oak tree and therefore we would be grateful if you would proceed to the determination of the application based upon the current scheme. We will provide you with a Tree Protection Plan, but request that the arboricultural method statement is subject of a condition.”

They have also provided the attached Tree Protection Plan.

I have discussed with senior officers and we are going to recommend the application, as it is, to the next Development Control Committee.

Would you suggest any planning conditions beyond a request for a Method Statement?

Kind Regards

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